As a University of Excellence, Universität Hamburg is one of the strongest research universities in Germany. As a flagship university in the greater Hamburg region, it nurtures innovative, cooperative contacts to partners within and outside academia. It also provides and promotes sustainable education, knowledge, and knowledge exchange locally, nationally, and internationally.

Pending approval of external funding the Cluster of Excellence ‘Understanding Written Artefacts: Material, Interaction and Transmission in Manuscript Cultures’ (UWA) invites applications for a

RESEARCH ASSOCIATE FOR THE PROJECT
“CULTURAL HERITAGE”
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The position in accordance with Section 28 subsection 3 of the Hamburg higher education act (Hamburgisches Hochschulgesetz, HmbHG) commences on 01.01.2021.

This is a fixed-term contract in accordance with Section 2 of the academic fixed-term labor contract act (Wissenschaftszeitvertragsgesetz, WissZeitVG). The term is fixed until 31.12.2025. The position calls for 60 % of standard work hours per week**.

RESPONSIBILITIES:
Duties include academic services in the project named above. Research associates may also pursue independent research and further academic qualifications.

SPECIFIC DUTIES:
- Broadening the Cluster’s international network of cultural and scientific actors in the field of collecting, preserving and researching manuscripts, primarily in the Islamic world
- Initiating and implementing scientific research projects and collaborations for the Cluster with network partners
- Project management for scientific projects in cooperation with international institutions and third-party funding organizations
- Connecting the Cluster with international organizations such as UNESCO or IFLA (International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions)

REQUIREMENTS:
A university degree in a relevant field: MA or MA-equivalent degree with a focus on “Collections’ Care and Management” or preservation of cultural artefacts (e.g. manuscripts)

* Full-time positions currently comprise 39 hours per week.
We also expect:

- In-depth knowledge of scientific methods of preserving cultural artefacts
- Familiarity with methods, procedures and international standards in the field of “Collections’ Care and Management”, especially in assessing, conserving and cataloguing manuscripts in the Islamic world
- Long-time experience in implementing research concepts in scientific projects
- Experience in applying for and managing funding from international third-party donors
- Extended project management skills
- Very good knowledge of structures in international scientific and cultural institutions, preferably in the Islamic world
- Fluency in (spoken and written) English, knowledge of Arabic, knowledge of Turkish is desirable
- Intercultural competence, diplomatic skills

Qualified disabled candidates or applicants with equivalent status receive preference in the application process.

For further information, please contact Prof Dr Michael Friedrich (michael.friedrich@uni-hamburg.de) or consult our website at www.csmc.uni-hamburg.de.

Applications (in English) should include a cover letter, a tabular curriculum vitae, and copies of degree certificate(s). Please send applications by 01 Dezember 2020 to: applications@uni-hamburg.de.

Please do not submit original documents as we are not able to return them. Any documents submitted will be destroyed after the application process has concluded.