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The Cluster of Excellence ‘Understanding Written Artefacts’ invites applications for a

**RESEARCH ASSOCIATE FOR THE PROJECT**

**“COLONIZED MANUSCRIPTS. THE PROVENANCE OF HAMBURG’S PAPYRUS COLLECTION”**

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The position in accordance with Section 28 subsection 3 of the Hamburg higher education act (Hamburgisches Hochschulgesetz, HmbHG) commences on 1 May 2020.

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 for a period of 36 months. The position calls for 75% 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 and project results may be used in the context of doctorate.

**SPECIFIC DUTIES:**

Research in the frame of the project ‘Colonized Manuscripts. The Provenance of Hamburg's Papyrus Collection’. The position includes the enrolment in the Cluster's graduate school, and requires participation in research colloquia, lecture series and workshops, as well as active engagement in the Cluster's research activities.

**REQUIREMENTS:**

A university degree in a relevant field. A degree in a historical discipline is preferred. Experience with research in colonial history, the global history of knowledge, postcolonial theory and methodology as well as familiarity to current debates on provenances and restitution. Reading skills in French and German are required; experience with Kurrent/Sütterlin handwriting and archival sources in general are of use as well. Additional language skills beneficial to the project include Latin, Old Greek, Coptic, Demotic and Arabic. Fluent English, written and spoken.

* Full-time positions currently comprise 39 hours per week.
The Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg promotes equal opportunity. As women are currently underrepresented in this job category at Universität Hamburg according to the evaluation conducted under the Hamburg act on gender equality (Hamburgisches Gleichstellungsgesetz, HambGleiG), we encourage women to apply for this position. Equally qualified and suitable female applicants will receive preference.

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

For further information, please contact Prof. Dr. Jürgen Zimmerer (juergen.zimmerer@uni-hamburg.de) or consult our website at www.written-artefacts.uni-hamburg.de/en.html.

Applications (in English) should include a cover letter, a tabular curriculum vitae, and copies of degree certificate(s). Please send applications by 29 March 2020 to: applications.csmc@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.