

The University of Passau owes its strong visibility and good repute to excellent research, innovative teaching and its tight-knit international academic networks. Some 12,000 students and more than 1,300 staff study and work on our university campus, which is located a stone's throw from the historical Old Town of Passau and combines state-of-the-art technical infrastructure with award-winning architecture. Internationally successful high-tech companies and a vibrant start-up scene, coupled with a rich culture and Lower Bavarian traditions, give Passau and the surrounding area a special appeal that makes it a great place to live and work.

The University of Passau is offering

doctoral (PhD) positions

for the DFG Research Training Group 2720 on Digital Platform Ecosystems (DPE): Digital Platform-Based Value Creation and its Implications for Data Exchange, Organisation and Socio-Economic Development to start at the earliest convenience.

The Research Training Group (RTG)

The RTG (see <https://dpe.uni-passau.de> for more information) is a postgraduate excellence programme and vibrant interdisciplinary research community. It is comprised of 22 doctoral (PhD) and postdoctoral students, nine principal investigators/doctoral supervisors and an international network of research partners from the disciplines of information systems, management, organisation, marketing, economics and communication studies. Together, they investigate the idiosyncratic characteristics of digital platform ecosystems and their implications for the transformation and design of economic value-creation architectures as well as for overarching socio-economic and regulatory developments. The RTG is organised in three interdisciplinary thematic areas:

- Data exchange in digital platform ecosystems
- Innovation, transformation, and organisation in digital platform ecosystems
- Socio-economic and regulatory dimensions of digital platform ecosystems

What we offer

Positions are available for **three** years, and are remunerated with an internationally competitive salary (75%–100% FTE, TV-L 13) with social security and healthcare contributions. The RTG is generously funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG; <https://www.dfg.de/en/>). Doctoral researchers are closely mentored by at least two professors and receive a tailored, interdisciplinary training programme, including a three-month research stay abroad to promote internationally competitive top-level research around the phenomenon of digital platform ecosystems. The research programme is fully funded, including IT equipment, a research budget and travel grants. DFG funded doctoral researchers can focus on their research and do not have to take on teaching or administrative tasks. In addition, doctoral researchers are also affiliated to the chair of the first supervisor in order to promote deeper interaction and integration in the respective department. The RTG is based at the University of Passau, which has an outstanding international reputation in research and teaching, a strong focus on digitalisation and digital technologies as well as an award-winning campus in one of the most beautiful historic towns in Europe.

What you provide

We are looking for aspiring early career researchers with a strong interest in and an openness to conducting interdisciplinary research at an internationally competitive level. At the time of hiring, applicants must have completed a university master's degree in one of the areas covered by the RTG. Applicants should have demonstrated academic excellence in their studies and should be dedicated and perseverant researchers, possess strong social and communicative skills and be fluent in English as well as committed to contributing to the RTG community.

How to apply

For details on the application process visit www.dpe.uni-passau.de/en/application. When you apply, you select one research area for the doctorate. You can apply any time, as we will be accepting applications

until the positions are filled. If you have any further questions, please contact the managing director of the RTG, Dr. Verena Komander, by email at dpe@uni-passau.de, or the responsible professors for questions regarding the research areas.

The University of Passau aims to balance the diversity of employees. We encourage female applicants to apply for these positions. The positions are suitable for people with disabilities. Registered disabled applicants are given preference over non-disabled applicants who do not otherwise have statutory preferential status if their overall personal aptitudes, skills and qualifications are equal. This position may be available part-time, provided a suitable number of candidates are willing to work on a work-share basis.

Emailed applications are kept on file for six months after the conclusion of the appointment procedure, whereupon they are deleted from our systems.

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