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## **Job Advertisement**

The Leibniz-Zentrum Moderner Orient (ZMO) is an independent academic institute focused on the historical and contemporary politics of Africa and Asia.

The ZMO is now seeking to hire

### **one student assistant**

to be employed for 12 months, with the possibility of extension, working 10 hours per week. The envisaged starting date is 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018.

The position is within the research project "Learning Intelligence: The Exchange of Secret Service Knowledge between Germany and the Arab Middle East 1960-2010" (head: Dr. Sophia Hoffmann). The project explores the international relations between German and Arab secret services to investigate whether such contact led to similarities (or differences) between them.

### **Job Description:**

Title: Student research-assistant

Hours: 41 hs per month (around 10h per week)

Location: ZMO, Kirchweg 33, 14129 Berlin

### **Key Tasks:**

- Research tasks:
  - Literature research of English, German and Arabic sources.
  - Brainstorm research design and concepts.
  - Identify and contact people relevant for the project.
  - Translation from Arabic (texts).

- Organisational tasks:
  - Help organise workshops and meetings.
  - Teaching support.
- Administrative tasks
  - Copying, scanning, record keeping.

### **Person specification (essential)**

- Currently enrolled at a German university.
- Master's student or advanced Bachelor in social sciences or humanities.
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- Excellent Arabic (reading).
- Very good English.
- Demonstrated research experience.
- Ability to take initiative and work independently.
- Organised and efficient person.

### **Person specifications (desirable)**

- Good German skills.
- Student in International Relations, Political Science, Sociology, History or related discipline.
- Interest in/Knowledge of the (international) politics of the Middle East.
- Curiosity about the world.
- Ability to develop/brain storm solutions to complicated research tasks.

Please send your CV and Cover Letter to [sophia.hoffmann@zmo.de](mailto:sophia.hoffmann@zmo.de).

**Applications will be received until 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017.**