The National Research Network 'Austrian National Election Study' (AUTNES) announces openings for

**2 PhD positions (Pre-doc) (30 hours/week)**

*at the Department of Communication*

*University of Vienna*

as of March 1, 2013, appointed for a period of three years.

The National Research Network AUTNES will conduct a comprehensive social-science analysis of the next Austrian elections (expected for September 2013). It consists of a fully integrated study of the Demand Side (the voters) and the Supply Side (political parties and candidates) of electoral competition as well as the media coverage of the campaign and the dynamics the campaign unfolds. The two open positions are in the Media Side project on campaign messages, their construction and effects under the direction of Prof. Dr. Klaus Schönbach and Dr. Katharina Kleinen-von Königslöw.

**Extent of Employment:** 30 hours/week

Occupation group in accordance with collective bargaining agreement: §48 VwGr. B1 Grundstufe (praedoc)

**Job-Description:**
Planning, supervising and analyzing automated and manual content analyses of the media campaign coverage. Responsibilities include developing and defining variables for the codebook; adapting dictionaries and ontologies for automatic coding; collecting the media material; data cleaning and processing; training and coordinating coders; statistical analyses; engaging in the international dissemination of our results and writing a (cumulative) dissertation on the message-construction component of the study (position A) or on the reception and the effects of campaign communication on voters (position B).

**Profile:**
- University Degree (Diploma, Master) in the field of Communication with a focus on political communication and/or journalism
- Extensive experience in quantitative empirical research methods, especially in media content analysis and/or survey research (experience in automated content analysis is a bonus)
- Experience in statistical data management
- Excellent command of spoken and written English as well as German.

**Your application should include the following documents:**
- Letter of intent
- Scientific CV / List of publications
- Certificates.

Applications including a letter of motivation should be sent to katharina.kleinen@univie.ac.at no later than January 31, 2013.

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The University of Vienna intends to increase the number of women on its faculty, and therefore specifically invites applications by women. Among equally qualified applicants women will receive preferential consideration.