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### **CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

(For submission of proposals for the conclusion of a project lease contract)

The Research Committee (Special Account for Research Funds) of Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (ELKE AUTH), in the framework of the project "**Inspiring and anchoring trust in science**" funded under European Union HORIZON 2021-2027, with Academic Head Prof. Vakali Athina, invites candidates to submit proposals for one (1) position as described below, through the award of a project contract, starting from the signing of the contract until 28/2/2024 and with a total anticipated remuneration 20.000 € (VAT and taxes included).

The Contract can be extended until the end date of the project 31/05/2025 (in case of extension until its completion) and within the approved limits of its budget.

**1 individual/ PhD Candidate/ Degree of University Education of School of Informatics / up to 20.000€/ until 28/2/2024**

#### **Project Description**

- Designing and implementing case studies for training and co-creation purposes
- Societal co-creation labs
- Dissemination and communication of results

The above tasks will be implemented within the work packages of the project:

WP4: Learning from case studies and co-creation

WP5: Strengthening co-creation

WP7: Dissemination and Communication

#### **Required Qualifications**

- Bachelor's degree in Computer Science/Informatics
- PhD candidate with a focus on Data Science and Information Science  
(Note: This qualification is proven by a recent certificate from the relevant department, indicating that the candidates possess the relevant qualification at the time of proposal submission)
- Good knowledge in English (B2 level)
- One (1) publication in a scientific journal in the field of human-centered data science and analysis of human-centered data.
- One (1) announcement in a scientific conference in the field of human-centered data science and analysis of human-centered data.

- Research\* experience of 36 months through participation in research programs related to the analysis of human-centered data.

#### Additional Qualifications

- Master's degree in Computer Science/Informatics
- Additional research\* experience from participation in research programs related to the analysis of human-centered data
- Additional knowledge of English language Higher level of English proficiency
- Additional publications in a scientific journal in the field of human-centered data science and data analysis
- Additional announcements in scientific conferences in the field of human-centered data analysis
- Proven knowledge in:
  - Human-centered approaches in Data Science and Information Science and Trustworthy Artificial Intelligence (AI)
  - Data management and analysis using machine learning techniques  
*(Note: Knowledge is documented with relevant certification or with relevant undergraduate/master's/doctoral thesis or research project, or with relevant courses in the study program (including detailed grades and, if the course title does not directly indicate the correlation, a description of the course in the Study Guide). Teaching of relevant courses can also serve as documentation, supported by a certificate or contract.)*
- Interview

#### Qualifications Assessment

	Qualifications criteria	Credits (Researchers)
1	Bachelor's degree mark	mark * 40
2	Master's degree with at least one year of study	200
3	Professional*/Research** experience (per month) up to 48 months <i>Note: Only months beyond the required experience are evaluated</i>	7 (per month)
4a	Excellent/proficient knowledge of English (C2 level)	70
4b	Very good knowledge of English (C1 level)	50
5	Publications in scientific journals (per publication) – 5 max	40 (per publication)
6	Announcements in scientific conferences (per announcement) – 5 max	15 (per announcement)
7a	Demonstrated knowledge in data management and analysis using machine learning techniques	20
7b	Demonstrated knowledge in human-centered approaches in Data Science and Information Science and Trustworthy Artificial Intelligence	20
8	Interview	≤ 250

**All the qualifications listed above are in relevance with the project requirements and objectives.**

The topics of the questions and the marking system to be used are shown in the following table:

Candidates who meet the required qualifications will be invited to an interview (after being informed in writing by e-mail), except for those who score at least 250 points (range of interview marks) lower than the first ranked candidate. Candidates who do not attend the interview will be rejected. In the case of one candidate, it is not necessary to hold an interview.

<b>A/A</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Level of knowledge/ Credits- max</b>	<b>Scoring range</b>
1	Trustworthy AI (computational justice, transparency, privacy) and human-centred approaches to Information Science (field research, open science)	Roughly acceptable 0-15 Acceptable 16-30 Excellent 31-50	0-50
2	Specialized technical knowledge in code development (Python) and use of specialized frameworks (scikit-learn)	Roughly acceptable 0-15 Acceptable 16-30 Excellent 31-50	0-50
3	Communication of scientific results	Roughly acceptable 0-15 Acceptable 16-30 Excellent 31-50	0-50
4	Organisational skills	Roughly acceptable 0-15 Acceptable 16-30 Excellent 31-50	0-50
5	Communication skills	Roughly acceptable 0-15 Acceptable 16-30 Excellent 31-50	0-50

#### **Required Documents:**

1. Submission of Proposal - Statement (see appendix)
2. Detailed table data for the proof of experience, if needed (see appendix)
3. Detailed Curriculum Vitae
4. Copies of the Degrees (Note: In case the specialization / direction do not result from the Degree, the Detailed Score should be attached. In cases where the degree is a grading criterion and is not indicated in the copy of the degree then the detailed score is submitted additionally)
5. Copies of certificates and certifications of previous service, as well as any other document that will certify the information mentioned in the CV and which are related to the Required or Additional qualifications-criteria of this call for expression of interest.
6. Copy of certificate of military stats or discharge papers / Copy of deferral of enlistment (for male candidates)

#### **\* Proof of Research Experience:**

Research or participation in research centers or programs can be counted as experience time provided that the proposal includes: certificate of the employer proving the period of employment, the subject of employment, the title and the Academic Head for each research program or project. If the object of the project does not result from the above then a relevant certification from the Academic Head is required for each research program, in which the object of the research will be mentioned.

All the above concerning the experience apply if the candidates during their participation held the required basic qualification or the required professional license or other professional license or certificate.

Male candidates must have fulfilled their military obligations or have been legally discharged from them or have been deferred for the entire duration of the project. In case the time for which a deferral of enlistment has been received does not cover in its entirety the duration of the project, ELKE AUTH is obliged to terminate the respective contract at the expiration time of the above deferral. Both the contractor of the Special Account and the

Academic Head Officer of the project are obliged to immediately inform ELKE AUTH one (1) month before the end of the deferral.

Proposals and required documents should be submitted either via e-mail to [info@csd.auth.gr](mailto:info@csd.auth.gr) or in person or by post to the following address Secretariat of the School of Informatics. Building of the Secretariat of the School of Sciences, Aristotle University Campus, Gr- 54124, Thessaloniki, Greece within hours 11:00-12:30 no later than **09/06/2023** at 12:30. Proposals will be attributed a reference number from the Secretariat of the Department of the Academic Head of the project.

This Invitation will be published on the website of ELKE AUTH <https://rc.auth.gr/proskliseis-gia-apasholisi-se-erga> and on the website of "Diavgeia".

For more information and questions regarding the position, candidates may refer to 002310998415. For information on the proposal submission process candidates may contact ELKE AUTH at **00302310-994082-22-52-53**

Submitted proposals will be evaluated by a three-member Evaluation Committee based on the requirements/provisions of the call.

The candidate who wishes to submit an objection to the result (Decision for Approval of Results) is entitled to recourse either via e-mail to [prosk@rc.auth.gr](mailto:prosk@rc.auth.gr) or in person or by post to the Special Account of Research Authorities of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (Research Committee AUTH, 1st floor, Office 101 - 3rd September Str., University Campus 546 36, Thessaloniki, Greece) within five (5) days from the day following the posting of the Decision for Approval of Results on the website of ELKE AUTH and Diavgeia. The candidate has the obligation to be informed about the posting of the results from the website of ELKE <https://rc.auth.gr/proskliseis-gia-apasholisi-se-erga> in the online posting of this call for expression of interest in Diavgeia. Candidates are entitled to access the data of the individual proposal file and the assessment and evaluation papers of their own and of their other co-candidates, upon written request within five (5) days of the day following announcement of the results on the website of Diavgeia and under the conditions of articles 5 of Law 2690/1999, 42 of Law 4624 / 2019 and 6 par. 1 lit. f of the GCC (EU 2016/679).

ELKE AUTH takes all appropriate measures for the protection of personal data during the evaluation process and it is strongly recommended that you read about the data protection policy and your rights on the AUTH website <https://www.auth.gr/gdpr>.

## EVALUATION PROCEDURE – OTHER CONDITIONS

1. From all the proposals submitted according to the above specifications, the one that best meets the project's requirements will be selected and awarded a work contract on the basis of contractual freedom.
2. Only proposals / objections that will be received by the set date and time will be considered. In the case of postal submission, the deadline is judged on the basis of the date mentioned in the shipping file, provided that it will be received by ELKE AUTH no later than the announcement of the results. ELKE AUTH bears no responsibility for the content of the candidacy files that will be sent.
3. Changes to the proposals (replacements, corrections or submission of additional documents) are not allowed after the expiration of the deadline.
4. Any diplomas of higher education (undergraduate, postgraduate and doctoral) which are included in the Required or Additional Qualification and have been awarded by institutions abroad, must be accompanied by certificates of recognition by the Hellenic National Academic Recognition and Information Center (Hellenic NARIC). In case the diplomas mentioned above have not been recognized during the submission of the proposal, the relevant application for recognition by NARIC can be submitted. It is pointed out, however, that a contract cannot be concluded without the submission of the recognition of the academic titles by NARIC. In any case, ELKE AUTH reserves the right and discretion, depending on the needs of each research project and especially the time of its implementation, to finally contract with the next candidate that holds such certificates. In addition, when the call for expression of interest stipulates a grading/points scale of the degree, it is required to submit a certificate of the equivalent degree grade issued by NARIC. In the case that, all certificates for the recognition of a degree are provided but the certificate of the equivalent degree grade by NARIC is not submitted, the candidate's proposal will be accepted but no points for the degree will be awarded.
5. In case the diplomas of higher education have been awarded by institutions in Greece and the call requires a grading /points scale of the degree, it is required that the grade is indicated in the presented degree. If the grade is not indicated in the degree, then the detailed course score is presented. In case the degree does not indicate the grade and a detailed course score has not been submitted, the proposal of the interested person is not rejected, but the specific required qualification is not graded.
6. It is pointed out that the procedure for submitting proposals for the conclusion of a project lease contract is not competitive, while the selection of a contractor has the character of accepting the proposal and not "recruitment". The evaluation process will be completed by compiling a ranking list and / or a list of excluded, while those selected will be notified individually. In case of a tie, the proposal of the interested person is selected in order a) with the longest experience, b) with the highest bachelor's degree mark, c) with the highest master's degree mark.
7. The proposal that is first in the ranking table and has the highest score in all the scoring criteria will be the one that will be selected. In case of obstruction of the person who submitted it, the next proposal is selected until the ranking order is exhausted.
8. Any submitted proposal that does not meet the criteria of the call of the expression of interest will not be examined any further and will be automatically rejected.
9. Throughout the duration of the project, it is possible that the selected candidate(s) may be replaced, if necessary, by other candidate(s) of the present call and in accordance with the ranking list.
10. The contract may be extended without restriction, following a decision of the competent body of ELKE AUTH and if the required budget of the project allows it, without a new invitation, until the end date of the project (and in case of extension of the project until its new end date).
11. ELKE AUTH does not undertake any commitment to conclude a contract, as it is left to its full discretion to conclude or not contracts, as well as their number, excluding any claim of the interested parties.
12. The project assignment will take place in accordance with the provisions of the Program Implementation Guide.
13. The knowledge of foreign languages is certified in accordance with the provisions of the Presidential Decree 85/2022 "Determining the qualifications for appointment to positions of public sector" (A' 232/17.12.2022), especially according to the articles 10, 14 par. 3 and 15 par. 7.
14. Foreign documents must be accompanied by photocopies of their official translation into the Greek language except for English, French, German, Italian and Spanish language certificates which, if they meet the conditions of the P.D. 85/2022, are accepted without requiring their translation.
15. For candidates, computer skills shall be certified according to the Presidential Decree 85/2022 "Determining the qualifications for appointment to positions of public sector" (A' 232/17.12.2022), especially according to the article 9.
16. It should be noted that the project assignment to candidates employed in the Public Sector, in Public and Private Bodies, etc. is subject to the provisions of paragraph 14 of Article 12 of YAKED 110427/EYTHY1020/01.11.2016

The President of the Research Committee

Efstratios A. Stylianidis  
Vice Rector Research and Lifelong Learning AUTH

**SUBMISSION OF PROPOSAL - STATEMENT\***  
(with consequences of law on false/inaccurate statement)

Mobile phone: ..... E-mail: ..... VAT number: .....

**Please note in this proposal - statement and outside of the postal file the following**

**(To be completed by the candidate):**

The protocol number of this call

I affirm that the information given in  
this proposal - statement is accurate and true

**SIGNATURE**

Date : \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

Find attached : 1.  
2.

*\*Incomplete filling of the proposal – statement constitutes a criterion for exclusion*

**DETAILED TABLE DATA FOR PROOF OF EXPERIENCE**

(The person concerned records all relevant experience to the subject of the call **if required**)

a/ a	From	To	(a)	(b)	Institution of Employment - Employer	Employer Category <sup>(1)</sup>	Task of Employment
			Months of Employment	Days of Employment			

**TOTAL** ..... **GENERAL TOTAL MONTHS OF EXPERIENCE** <sup>(2)</sup>

**(1)** Complete as appropriate with 'PR' or 'PU' depending on the category of the Employment Office, where PR: Private sector, individuals or private legal entities (corporations, etc.) • PU: Public sector, government agencies or public entities or local authorities of first and second degree or private entities in the public sector of par. 1 of Art. 14 of Law. 2190/1994 as in force or bodies of par. 3 of Art. 1 of Law. 2527/1997. In the case of self-employed, complete with the indication "SE".

**(2)** Complete the GENERAL TOTAL MONTHS OF EXPERIENCE. When, in Column (b) shows experience, the total days of employment divided by 25 (if the experience has been calculated as the number of wages) or by 30 (if the experience has been calculated as the period from the start day until the expiration date of employment) and the resulting integer is added to the total months of employment of the column (a).