



Technische Universität Berlin



Technische Universität Berlin offers an open position:

Research associate - salary grade E13 TV-L Berliner Hochschulen - PostDoc

part-time employment may be possible

A postdoc position is available at the Institute for Art History and Historical Urban Studies at Technische Universität Berlin in the project "Premodern Provenance. Tracing, Telling and Imagining the Origins of Objects and Materials in the Medieval Mediterranean," which is funded by the DFG's Heinz Maier-Leibnitz Prize awarded to Professor Dr. Isabelle Dolezalek in 2023. The position is suitable for researchers in an early stage in their career.

Provenance research investigates changes of location and ownership of objects in various socio-political contexts. It enables an examination from a number of perspectives of processes of loss and appropriation, of narratives of origin, and of the function of objects in constructing cultural identities, and also sheds light on global power structures. While provenance research to date has mainly focused on modern contexts, the "Premodern Provenance" project aims to apply aspects of provenance research (e.g. the question of the legality of an acquisition or the circumstances under which an object/material was obtained) to medieval art production and reception, and to test them for the Mediterranean region.

Faculty I - Institute of Art Studies and Historical Urban Studies / Pre-modern art history with a focus on materiality

Reference number: I-26/25 (starting at the earliest possible / limited until 31/03/2027 / closing date for applications 21/03/25)

Working field:

The successful candidate will participate in the development of the project and its lines of investigation and gather a corpus of sources. They will also contribute to writing an application for third-party funding for a follow-up project. Further responsibilities include developing and conducting case studies, both independently and with the team, and independently writing academic texts for publication. They will be required to participate in organizing scientific events and help with the project administration.

Requirements:

- Higher university degree (diploma, master's degree, or equivalent) as well as a doctorate in an area of medieval studies relevant to the project (e.g. art history) to be completed by the time of hiring
- Good knowledge of German and/or English required; willingness to acquire the missing language skills in each case

Desirable:

- Research interests related to the topic of the project
- Research focus on medieval art
- Experience with third-party funding applications
- Knowledge of another language (e.g. Arabic, Latin, Greek)
- Experience in reading and analyzing medieval texts
- Knowledge of scientific work with objects. Structured approach to working and ability to work in a team

Further information about the project and/or the position is available from Professor Dr. Isabelle Dolezalek (i.dolezalek@tu-berlin.de).

Please submit your application as a single PDF file **quoting the job-reference number** with a cover letter, your CV, copies of certificates, and the name of a referee by email only to the chair secretary Julia Stahn (j.stahn@tu-berlin.de).

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To ensure equal opportunities between women and men, applications by women with the required qualifications are explicitly desired. Qualified individuals with disabilities will be favored. The TU Berlin values the diversity of its members and is committed to the goals of equal opportunities. Applications from people of all nationalities and with a migration background are very welcome.

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The vacancy is also available on the internet at <https://www.personalabteilung.tu-berlin.de/menue/jobs/>

