



The EUI has an internal vacancy for a

Research Assistant in the

Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies

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Who we are

The [Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies](#) (RSCAS) is an inter-disciplinary research centre at the heart of the European University Institute (EUI). It was established in 1992 to complement the four EUI disciplinary departments (Economics, History and Civilization, Law, Political and Social Sciences) with the aim to be involved in both basic and policy research, collaborate with other centres of excellence in Europe, provide opportunities for young scholars and promote dialogue with the world of practice. The Centre's goal is to maintain an environment and support structure that fosters intellectual curiosity and excellent research. The research agenda of the Centre is currently guided by three major themes: Integration, Governance and Democracy; Regulating Markets and Governing Money; and 21st Century World Politics and Europe.

Employment details

Contract type	Part-time 20 % (6/30, 8 hours/week)
Length of contract	6 months; start date 01.03.2026 or soon after This contract may be further renewed (several times and conditional to the availability of funds), leading to an extension of the period of service up to a total of 5 years, including the first contract period.
Salary indication and grade	Grade: ASTAC1b step 1 The basic net monthly salary after taxes is approximately 530,00 Euro, plus allowances if applicable. More information about conditions of employment is available here .
Place of work	Florence, Italy

About the project

Project Director

Prof. Maarten Vink

Project details

The Global Citizenship Observatory ([GLOBALCIT](#)) is an online observatory committed to fact-based and nonpartisan analysis of citizenship laws and electoral rights around the world. We are a global research network based at the European University Institute as part of the [Global Governance Programme](#) at the Robert Schuman Centre. GLOBALCIT provides reliable and comparative data on the content, causes and consequences of the laws that govern the acquisition and loss of citizenship and the franchise. It enables scholars, policy-makers, and the general public to critically analyse how citizenship connects people across international borders.

Job description

The research assistant will support the Project Director in the updating and longitudinal extension of the [GLOBALCIT Citizenship Law Dataset](#) and back coding. Main tasks include:

- Identifying, interpreting and coding relevant provisions from national citizenship laws with regard to the conditions under which citizenship can be acquired and lost in a country;
- Consulting with GLOBALCIT national and regional experts regarding the interpretation of historical and current provisions in citizenship law.

More information on the Dataset can be found [here](#).

Qualifications and experience

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- MA or equivalent in Law or related fields;
- Demonstrated experience in comparative legal research.

Desirable:

- Proven knowledge of nationality/citizenship law;
- Demonstrated skills in data management (e.g. in Excel) acquired through previous experience.

Languages

Excellent knowledge of English, both spoken and written ([CEFR](#) level: C1 or above). Knowledge of other languages constitutes an advantage.

How to apply

Deadline

The closing date for applications is **04 February 2026** at midnight (Florence time)

Contact details

For more information contact **Floriana Nappini** (floriana.nappini@eui.eu)

How to apply

Fill in the [online application form](#) and upload documents as requested

Internal vacancies

Who can apply? EUI status: grant or employment contract with the EUI

Eligibility criteria for EUI researchers: EUI researchers may apply in accordance to Chapter 12.5 of the Academic Rules and Regulations (<https://www.eui.eu/Documents/ServicesAdmin/DeanOfStudies/EUI-RulesRegs.pdf>)

Data Protection

The purpose of processing the data submitted by candidates is to manage their application in view of a possible pre-selection and recruitment by the EUI. The information candidates provide in their application form is collected for the purpose of the selection procedure. The EUI will ensure that candidates' personal data are processed as required by its Data Protection Policy ([President's Decision No. 10/2019 of 18 February 2019 regarding Data Protection at the EUI](#)).

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