**Post-doc in Political Psychology - Centre for the Politics of Feelings**

We are recruiting for a post-doctoral researcher with background in political/social psychology and/or quantitative political science!

**The Role:** The Centre for the Politics of Feelings ([https://www.politics-of-feelings.com](https://www.politics-of-feelings.com)) and the Institute of Philosophy, School of Advanced Study, University of London and Royal Holloway, University of London, are hiring a Post-doctoral Researcher with background in Political Psychology or Political Science. The researcher will contribute to the development of an interdisciplinary project ‘The (trans)formation of a European sense of solidarity’ funded by the Volkswagen Stiftung ([https://www.politics-of-feelings.com/projects](https://www.politics-of-feelings.com/projects)). This post is suitable for early career researchers with a PhD in Social/Political Psychology or Political Science, with a focus on quantitative, experimental, computational or psychophysiological methods. The post is available from December 1st 2021 or soon thereafter, for a period of 24 months. The post-holder will be part of a multidisciplinary team that includes political science, political communication, anthropology, philosophy and psychology, and they will contribute to the development of on-line or lab-based experiments to probe questions relating to the formation of social identity in a European context and the role that emotions may play in this process.

**About the project:** The project brings together a multidisciplinary team from five leading universities across four European countries in a novel and ambitious exploration of the complexities of Europeans’ sense of belonging and identity. It carefully integrates different methods, from literature studies and surveys to monitoring of social media and on-line and lab-based experiments. The project aims to:

- produce a nuanced comparative understanding of the emotional impact of the challenges facing the European Union and its citizens in different social, political, economic and territorial contexts.
- produce a longitudinal emotional barometer of contemporary responses to the European Union and its challenges, as expressed by the public in the media, in new social media communications and in response to experimental interventions.
- understand the mechanisms behind actions, narratives and symbols that are important for addressing emotional needs and for facilitating a sense of social belonging, security and cohesion amongst European Union citizens.

The findings will be shared with policy makers, research institutions and cultural innovators across Europe, including EU’s Joint Research Centre, the European University Institute and influential art practice at Studio Olafur Eliasson.

The project is funded by the Volkswagen Foundation, and is conducted with the participation of:

- Prof. Andreas Roepstorff, University of Aarhus, School of Culture and Society, Interacting Minds Centre (PI),
- Prof. Dr. Michael Pauen, Institut für Philosophie, Berlin School of Mind and Brain, Humboldt-Universität Berlin,
- Dr. Dominika Kasprowicz, Department of Journalism, Media and Communication, Jagiellonian University in Krakow, Poland,
- Prof. Dr. Manos Tsakiris, Department of Psychology, Royal Holloway University of London, Great Britain & Centre for the Politics of Feelings & The Institute of Philosophy, School of Advanced Study, University of London,
- Prof. Dr. Laura Cram, NLRabs Neuropolitics Research, School of Social and Political Science, University of Edinburgh, Great Britain.
**Who are we looking for?**
We are looking for candidates who:
- Possess a relevant PhD in a related field of study (Social/Political Psychology or Political Science), and have sufficient specialist knowledge and methodological skills that reflect the state-of-the-art in their respective disciplines
- Have a track record of excellent quantitative research in their discipline assessed by the quality rather than the quantity of published work
- Have a record of interdisciplinary interests and/or research
- Can develop and lead independently on research projects and proposals
- Fluency in one or more languages other than English is advantageous

**How to apply? Please visit this site:** [https://www.jobs.london.ac.uk/displayjob.aspx?isPreview=Yes&jobid=1930#](https://www.jobs.london.ac.uk/displayjob.aspx?isPreview=Yes&jobid=1930#)

Applications must contain the following:
1. Completed online application form
2. Motivational cover letter, highlighting, in particular, what you can bring to, and expect from this role (maximum 2 pages)
3. CV (maximum 4 pages) that includes education, professional experience, publication list, dissemination activities, interdisciplinary track record (if applicable).

**Location:** Centre for the Politics of Feelings, Senate House, University of London

**Further information:** To be considered for this opportunity, please submit your application and CV (by clicking ‘apply for job’ at the bottom of this page) before the closing date at **midnight on 1st November 2020**.

For any informal inquiries please get in touch with manos.tsakiris@rhul.ac.uk