**ADAM MICKIEWICZ UNIVERSITY IN POZNAŃ ANNOUNCES A CALL FOR APPLICATIONS**

**for the position of PhD Scholarship Holder**

**within the NCN Weave Unisono project**

**"Integrating Public Deliberation for Impact: Learning from the European Wave of Citizens’ Assemblies"**

**Project agreement number: UMO-2023/05/Y/HS5/00027**

**Number of positions available:**1–2
**Type of position and remuneration:**Research scholarship in the amount of 2500 PLN per month (tax-exempt, in accordance with NCN scholarship regulations)
**Duration of the scholarship:**Starting from 6 months, with the possibility of extension depending on project needs and available funding – up to the end of the project
**Expected start date:**October–December 2025
**Host institution:**Faculty of Political Science and Journalism, Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań

**Eligibility Requirements:**

* PhD student status at the Doctoral School of AMU, or readiness to commence doctoral studies there (the status must be confirmed at the time of signing the agreement);
* Master’s degree in political science, international relations, sociology, psychology, or a related field;
* Experience in conducting qualitative research, particularly in-depth interviews. Experience with focus group interviews will be an additional asset;
* Ability to code and analyze qualitative data (familiarity with NVivo or similar software is highly desirable);
* Excellent command of English (spoken and written);
* Independence, reliability, and good organizational skills;
* Experience working in research projects or in an international academic environment will be an asset.

**Job Description:**

The scholarship holder will carry out research tasks as part of the international NCN Weave Unisono project *Integrating Public Deliberation for Impact (i4i)*. The project focuses on analyzing the impact of citizens' assemblies on public policy, democratic institutions, and political debate across Europe. Within an international research consortium involving teams from Poland, Germany, and Belgium, we investigate how deliberative processes are integrated into political systems and which conditions enhance their actual impact.

The Polish part of the project includes in-depth qualitative research (interviews, document analysis) to understand the mechanisms through which citizens’ recommendations are implemented in local government practice. Key responsibilities will include:

* Preparing and conducting in-depth interviews and/or focus groups with participants, organizers, and decision-makers in selected case studies in Poland, including email correspondence with participants;
* Conducting desk research – analyzing existing materials and data (e.g., reports, policy documents, academic literature, legal acts, and media publications) related to citizens’ assemblies and their impact on decision-making processes;
* Preparing interview transcripts and coding qualitative data using NVivo or other qualitative analysis software;
* Collaborating with the research team on designing research tools (interview invitations, focus group guides, questionnaires, research plans);
* Analyzing qualitative data and contributing to scientific publications and project reports;
* Supporting coordination of data collection in Belgium and Germany;
* Close cooperation with the postdoctoral researcher and the international i4i research team.

**Required Application Documents:**

* Motivation letter (in Polish or English);
* Curriculum Vitae (including research experience);
* Confirmation of PhD student status or a declaration of intent to enroll in the Doctoral School;
* Copy of Master’s diploma;
* Optional: Sample of academic writing (e.g., a fragment of the MA thesis);
* Completed GDPR consent form.

**Applicants who obtained their degrees outside of Poland must additionally submit:**

* Certified copy of documents confirming educational qualifications – Bachelor’s and Master’s diplomas with supplements, in the original language and with certified translations into English or Polish;
* Copy of passport.

Interested applicants are requested to send the required documents as a single consolidated PDF file to: **paulina.pospieszna@amu.edu.pl** by **August 25**. After the initial review, selected candidates will be invited to an interview (held in Polish and English) between **September 1–5**. The recruitment decision will be communicated by **September 10** via email. The results will also be publicly announced.

NCN Scholarship Regulations:
<https://www.ncn.gov.pl/sites/default/files/pliki/uchwaly-rady/2019/uchwala25_2019-zal1.pdf>

Diplomas or certificates confirming educational qualifications and academic degrees or titles (in the case of foreign degrees – documents must meet equivalency criteria outlined in Article 328 of the Act of 20 July 2018 – Law on Higher Education and Science, Journal of Laws 2021, item 478 as amended).

Applicants must also include the signed GDPR consent form (please email to request the form).

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Pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 (General Data Protection Regulation), Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań hereby informs:

1. The controller of your personal data is Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań, located at ul. Wieniawskiego 1, 61-712 Poznań;
2. The controller has appointed a Data Protection Officer who can be contacted at iod@amu.edu.pl;
3. Your personal data will be processed for the purpose of conducting the recruitment process and selecting a scholarship holder;
4. The data will be processed on the basis of your consent;
5. Data will not be shared with external entities except those authorized by law;
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7. You have the right to access your data, rectify it, delete it, restrict processing, object to processing, and withdraw consent at any time;
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