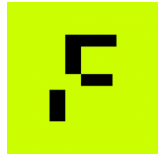


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The research project "The Linguistic (Pre-)History of the Indo-Iranian Frontier", funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG) within the Emmy Noether Program, is concerned with the modern languages of the Indo-Iranian Frontier (present-day Afghanistan and Pakistan). It aims to gain a more comprehensive picture of the region's linguistic history and prehistory through a close integration of field research and empirical-descriptive work with historical-comparative studies. The pre-doctoral position is situated within the sub-project on the Yidgha-Munji group and focused on field research and language description.

Research assistant (praedoc) (m/f/d)

with 65%part-time job limited to 31.12.2028 salary grade (Entgeltgruppe) 13 TV-L FU
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City: Berlin; Starting date (earliest): At the earliest possible; Duration: befristet bis 31.12.2028; Remuneration: Entgeltgruppe 13 TV-L FU; Reference number: Iranistik/ SGIIG_I/2026; Closing date: 19/05/26

Tasks

Job description:

- Doing linguistic fieldwork on Yidgha in Pakistan
- Working with archival materials on Munji
- Contributing to the historical-comparative work of the project team, e.g. by creating lexical databases
- Within the framework of the third-party-funded research project, the opportunity to pursue a doctorate is offered (doctorate on a topic related to the linguistic description of Yidgha)

Requirements

Requirements:

- Master's degree or equivalent

Desirable:

- Previous experience with linguistic fieldwork, particularly in the Hindu Kush region
- Previous experience with linguistic research on the Iranian languages of Pakistan
- Willingness to conduct linguistic fieldwork in Pakistan independently under potentially challenging conditions
- already existing fieldwork contacts in Chitral

- Communicative competence in at least one of the regional contact languages (Pashto, Urdu)
- Competence and experience in intercultural communication
- Ability to work in a team

Application

Applications should be sent by e-mail, together with significant documents, indicating the **reference code, no later than May 19th, 2026** in PDF format (preferably as one document) to Dr. Jakob Halfmann: iranistik@geschkult.fu-berlin.de or postal to

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