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Postdoctoral researcher – EMMELO (European Men, Masculinity and Extremist Leadership Online) 1 FTE

School of Law, College of Business, Public Policy and Law
Ref. No. 011262

JOB ADVERTISEMENT

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for a full-time, fixed term position as a post-doctoral researcher with the School of Law at the University of Galway, Ireland.

This position is funded by European Union (Grant agreement ID: 101177204) and is available from 1 October 2025 to contract end date of 30 April 2028.

The successful candidate will be employed to undertake research and management duties for the Horizon Europe-funded 3-year project [EMMELO](#): European Men, Masculinity and Extremist Leadership Online (1 May 2025 to 30 April 2028). Based at the School of Law, University of Galway, the Postdoctoral Researcher will work in a cross-European, interdisciplinary environment alongside senior academics, postdoctoral researchers, research assistants and project partners from civil society and the think tank sector. EMMELO examines the role of masculinity in extremist movements online across Europe and the threats it poses to democracy, fundamental rights and EU values. It focuses on six countries: Ireland, Sweden, France, Hungary, Germany and Slovakia. EMMELO's consortium is composed of leading universities based in each of the six countries, along with the Institute for Strategic Dialogue, a think tank working to combat online extremism, and European Alternatives, a civil society organization working across Europe to promote democracy and equality. EMMELO will develop the Gender and Online Extremism (GOE) Digital Observatory, which will provide new, rich, accessible, cross-European understanding of the gender-based communication styles, narratives, and methods used by extremists and their leadership online. To disseminate the project's findings, EMMELO will devise the T.A.L.K. Toolkit, a comprehensive, innovative, free-to-use digital resource designed to build the capacities of those working in the areas of anti-extremism and pro-democracy to identify and counter these harmful gender narratives and their effects.

Salary: Postdoctoral Researcher salary scale €45,846 - €58,481 per annum, (subject to the project's funding limitations), and pro rata for shorter and/or part-time contracts.

The default position for all new public sector appointments is the 1st point of the salary scale. This may be reviewed, and consideration afforded to appointment at a higher point on the payscale (subject to the project's funding limitations), where evidence of prior years' equivalent experience is accepted in determining placement on the scale above point 1, subject to the maximum of the scale. ([Research Salary Scales - University of Galway](#))

Closing date for receipt of applications is 17:00 (Irish Time) on 14 August 2025. It will not be possible to consider applications received after the closing date and time.



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Interviews are planned to be held on 21 and 22 August 2025 online.

***Please review full job description for further details and essential requirement**

JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Description:

The successful candidate will perform the following duties under the supervision of the PI:

Duties: What the successful candidate will do attached to the specific post.

- Conduct the programme of research and scholarship specified in the EMMELO grant agreement under the supervision and direction of the Principal Investigator
- Determine appropriate methodologies for research, with advice and support as appropriate.
- Plan, co-ordinate and implement the research programme, including management duties /coordinating other researchers' activity.
- Keep up to date with research related methods and techniques, in particular, developments in the specific research area.
- To complete the administrative work to support the programme of research
- To assist in the financial management of the research project.
- Engage in the communication and dissemination of the results of the research with the support of and under the supervision of your Principal Investigator.
- Any other duties assigned commensurate to this level of post

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Essential Requirements:

- A PhD in Media Studies or Cultural Studies or Platform Studies, or a related discipline, with a specialism in online environments applicable to issues of extremism and/or masculinity.
- Good knowledge of the Irish media environment including the online landscape.
- Proven project management ability, including coordinating research activities in an interdisciplinary, cross-European environment (min 1 year).
- Significant experience in developing and conducting qualitative research methods at both doctoral and post-doctoral levels (min cumulative 5 years at these levels).
- Strong understanding of and demonstrated experience in the role of ethics planning and data management processes.
- Demonstrated ability to conduct research and management tasks independently and in collaboration with others.
- Strong communication skills and demonstrated ability to efficiently collaborate with a range of stakeholders.



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- Excellent organizational skills, including efficient time-management and ability to work under pressure meeting set deadlines.

Desirable Requirements:

- Experience in report writing and policy writing.
- Experience in critical discourse analysis and participatory research techniques.
- Knowledge of the media and online context of other EMMELO countries.
- Experience working in EU-funded consortia.

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Continuing Professional Development/Training:

Researchers at University of Galway are encouraged to avail of a range of training and development opportunities designed to support their personal career development plans. University of Galway provides continuing professional development supports for all researchers seeking to build their own career pathways either within or beyond academia. Researchers are encouraged to engage with our Researcher Development Centre (RDC) upon commencing employment - see [HERE](#) for further information.

FURTHER INFORMATION/LINKS

- **TO APPLY:** [Search Current University of Galway vacancies](#). Applications must be submitted online.
 - [How to apply guide](#)
- For informal enquiries, please contact Ekaterina Yahyaoui (PI), ICHR, School of Law, Email ekaterina.yahyaoui@universityofgalway.ie
- [University's Strategic Plan](#)
- [Working in Research at University of Galway](#)
- [Moving to Ireland \(Euraxess\)](#)
- [Applicant Information](#)
- We reserve the right to re-advertise or extend the closing date for this post.
- University of Galway is an equal opportunities employer.
- All positions are recruited in line with Open, Transparent, Merit (OTM) and Competency based recruitment.



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