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PhD position, corpus and field research on an Austronesian language

Applications are invited to fill a PhD position in the research group "Non-hierarchicality in grammar. Construction formation without word class distinction across categories and languages" (Emmy Noether Group, DFG (German Research Foundation)) led by PI Dr. Uta Reinöhl at the Department of English and Linguistics of the University of Mainz (Germany).

The PhD candidate will participate in research on an Austronesian language spoken in East Timor. S/he will work with an existing corpus as well as carry out short field trips with a focus on verb serialization. S/he will be supported in this research by the principal investigator as well as project partners such as Prof. Nikolaus Himmelmann (University of Cologne). S/he will conduct research with other PhD candidates and the principal investigator on complex expressions combining elements of the same syntactic class, crosslinguistically and cross-categorially.

The ideal candidate has:

- an MA degree (or an equivalent degree that allows for entering a doctoral programme) in linguistics or related fields by the end of February 2019
- research interests in one or several of the following sub-disciplines: typology, syntax, morpho-syntax, language documentation
- a keen interest in conducting corpus work as well as short field trips
- social skills suitable for collaborative research with native speakers as well as within the research unit
- language competence in Portuguese and/or Indonesian and/or Tetum

Further information on the research unit can be found here: http://gepris.dfg.de/gepris/projekt/406074683

Planned starting date: March 1st 2019

Funding: E13 TV-L (65%) – Three years (with a possible extension to four years)

Application Deadline: Dec 10th 2018

Applications from severely disabled persons with equivalent qualifications will be given preference.

All application documents (a letter of motivation, CV, course transcript, certificates of completed degrees, two examples of representative written work, two names of references) should be sent by email to uta.reinoehl@gmail.com by December 10th 2018. Any enquiries can be sent to the same address.

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