

The **Center for Jewish Studies Heidelberg, Germany**, offers a vacant job position for a

PhD Position in Jewish Studies for three Years

(TV-L E-13 75%; fixed-term employment), start: October 1st, 2018 (or later).

The Long Term Project (12 years; 2018–2029) *Corpus Masoreticum: The Inculturation of the Masorah into Jewish Law and Lore from the 11th to the 13th Centuries: Digital Acquisition of a Forgotten Domain of Knowledge* has been established by the German Research Foundation in 2018 at Heidelberg's Center for Jewish Studies. The aim of this project is the edition, documentation, and annotation of the Western European (Ashkenazic) Masorah tradition between the 11th and 13th centuries as it can be traced in Bible manuscripts as well as in contemporary Bible- and Talmud Commentaries and Halakhic literature. Results of a preceding pilot scheme that has been running within the Collaborative Research Center 933 Material Text Cultures (subproject B04) are documented here: <http://bima.corpusmasoreticum.de/#/>.

For this purpose, the PI Prof. Dr. Hanna Liss, is looking for an exceptionally qualified PhD candidate to contribute their specialist competences to this project with a dissertation (to be written in English) on either of the two topics listed:

1. Masorah, Grammar, and Textual Criticism in the Writings of Abraham Ibn Ezra
2. The Masoretic Commentary of R. Ya'qov ben Asher Baal ha-Turim and its Relationship towards the Ashkenasic Masoretic Tradition

Applicants should hold a university degree (Diplom, Staatsexamen, M.A. or equivalent qualification) in Jewish Studies, Islamic Studies, Jewish philosophy, history or a related subject of an above average classification and have sufficient knowledge of Hebrew, Arabic, and Aramaic. Applicants should have excellent team-working skills and be able to demonstrate evidence of their academic knowledge, and be prepared for new experiences in an inter-disciplinary and interreligious context as well as be willing and able to reside in the Rhein-Main-Neckar region.

The position opens on October 1st, 2018 or later and is limited to 36 months. Salary is based on TV-L (E-13, 75%). Applicants with disabilities who possess essentially equal qualifications will be given preference. The Center for Jewish Studies Heidelberg is an equal opportunity employer committed to excellence through diversity, and therefore explicitly encourages women to apply.

The Center for Jewish Studies Heidelberg offers the scope for individual academic development and an inspiring research environment. The language of communication within the project and for the publications is English.

Please submit the following required **application documents** electronically as ONE PDF FILE to hanna.liss@hfjs.eu (**deadline September 16th, 2018**):

- (1) Application letter (letter of motivation)
- (2) Curriculum vitae
- (3) Degree certificates
- (4) Possible list of publications and list of courses taught.

Two Letters of reference should be emailed directly by the referees directly to hanna.liss@hfjs.eu.
