

The Leibniz-Center General Linguistics (ZAS, www.leibniz-zas.de) invites applications for a one-year 50% (post-)doctoral research position in the DFG research project *Experimental Game Theory and Scalar Implicatures* (SIgames), PI Anton Benz, starting in June 2021, or soon thereafter. Pay is at the E13 level of the German TVöD payscale.

Important Data:

- Application deadline: April 20th, 2021
- Start date: June 1st, 2021 (earliest)
- Address for applications: benz@leibniz-zas.de

Requirements:

- Completed or advanced Ph.D.
- Strong research experience relevant to the project goals

The ideal candidate has:

- Proven expertise in experimental pragmatics or psycholinguistics
- Solid knowledge of Gricean pragmatics (implicatures)
- Expertise in statistical evaluation and computational modelling
- Background in formal pragmatics/semantics
- Proven team-work skills

German language skills and background on game theoretic pragmatics are a plus.

The project *Experimental Game Theory and Scalar Implicatures* is part of the Priority Program XPRAG.de and running for its final year. It studies implicatures of complex sentences with experimental methods. Information about previous results of the project can be found here https://www.xprag.de/?page_id=43. The project group consists of the PI Anton Benz and two ½ postdocs. Planned topics for the final year are embedded implicatures of numerals and the dependency of implicatures on questions under discussion. It is planned to further explore the best response paradigm that has been developed in the project in lab- and web-based dialogue experiments. Depending on the applicant's background, additional paradigms can be tested.

The project is hosted by the Leibniz-Centre General Linguistics, a leading international centre for research in cognitive science and theoretical linguistics. The project aims for cultural diversity and gender balance of its staff. The project furthermore seeks to implement the principles of open science. ZAS is an equal opportunity employer.

Applications must be submitted via electronic mail and include the following four items in a single PDF attachment:

- A letter of intent specifying research experience and a sketch of the possible project contribution;
- The curriculum vitae including a complete list of publications;
- Electronic copies of up to three representative publications; and
- The names and email addresses of at least two scholars to be contacted for letters of recommendation.

Deadline: applications sent until 20-April-2021 receive full consideration; applications sent later can be considered until the position is filled.