CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

VISITING@WUT GRANT PROGRAMME

WHEN?   Academic year 2024-2025

HOW?   Visiting@WUT Grant Programme

WHAT?   Visiting@WUT Grant within Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science, Department of Computer Science

WHAT positions?   1 Visiting Researcher in the field of Applied Big Data in Cultural Astronomy

FOR WHOM?   Researcher specialized in Computer Science, Computer Engineering, Mathematics, Statistics or related fields

WHO is eligible?

Qualified academic staff from any country (except Romania), who holds a PhD and a higher education teaching / research institutional affiliation.

General Eligibility Criteria:

- International visibility of the candidate's academic profile
- International recognition of the candidate's activity
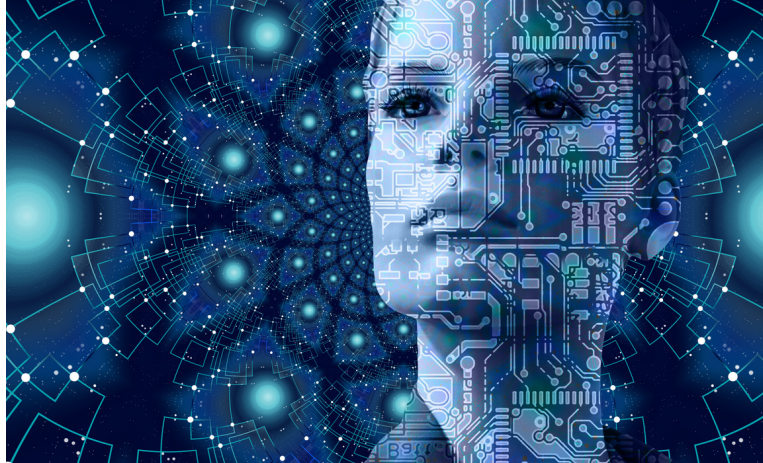- Previous research achievements

Grant period:

3 months, ideally 1st semester (October - December 2024)

BENEFITS:

1. work-space at the Host-Faculty
2. free, unlimited access to WUT and Host-Faculty facilities
3. free access to WUT electronic resources
4. E-UVT institutional account
5. accommodation on campus
6. 1 round trip between the place of origin and Timișoara
7. 6000 RON - monthly grant

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CALENDAR:

- Application period: April 1st - June 1st 2024
- Evaluation of applications and possible interviews with shortlisted applicants: June 2024
- Notification of results: July 2024

APPLICATION FILE:

- Registration Form
- Curriculum Vitae
- List of publications
- 1-page description of the candidate's research profile
- 1-page motivation letter (detailing interest in collaboration and benefits for the host institution)
- 1 research proposal
- Letter of acceptance from the Host Faculty / Department (recommended)

SELECTION PROCESS:

- applications will be evaluated by a Committee within the Host-Faculty
- decisions will be communicated within 1 month (maximum) of the end of registrations, no later than: July 1st 2024

We seek researchers who have achieved appropriate recognition in their field of activity and can contribute to the research agenda of the Computer Science Department at WUT as well as the development of the teaching curriculum.

DESCRIPTION OF THE VISITING RESEARCHER POSITION:

The Visiting Researcher's activity will focus on applied big data research in the field of cultural astronomy with emphasis on the impact of dark skies on the well-being of humans and the environment. Specifically, the perception of dark skies of people in Romania vs. the country of origin will be analyzed via surveys and statistical tools as well as VR applications. This interdisciplinary project means that the researcher will engage with members of the Computer Science department as well as other departments (sociology, ICAM, etc.).

The Visiting Researcher may also be involved in mentoring/co-advising MSc/PhD theses. They will also deliver talks in one of our regular scientific seminars (https://info.uvt.ro/centre-de-cercetare/) in accordance with their academic and research interests.

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