



CALL FOR APPLICATIONS
**PHD POSITION (4 YEARS) AT THE CHAIR FOR
“SCIENCE COMMUNICATION” (PROF. DR. MIKE S. SCHÄFER)**

The PhD student will work in a large-scale, mixed-methods [research project](#) on “Science Communication in the Age of AI: Assessing the Swiss Landscape”. The project is funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF).

About the position

- 4-year doctoral position (80%, paid according to SNSF salary scheme)
- Workplace is Zurich

What would be your main tasks?

- Conduct high-quality research on science communication and AI
- Attend conferences and publish in leading communication journals
- Pursue your PhD in the context of the project
- Some organizational or administrative tasks

What should you bring to the team?

- Master’s degree in communication science or a related subject
- Interest in research on science communication and AI
- Experience with various methods of social/communication science
- Proficiency in German or French; and also proficiency in English
- Ability to work in a team, but also to work independently

What can we offer you?

- Dynamic and research-oriented team
- Collegial and inspiring team atmosphere
- Very good track record of successful PhD supervision
- Excellent resources and inspiring intellectual atmosphere at IKMZ

How to apply

Please send the following documents as a single PDF file to personal@ikmz.uzh.ch:

- Letter of motivation
- Your CV
- Copies of degrees and relevant transcripts of study records
- Your master thesis (or extended abstract if not completed)
- List of scientific publications (if applicable)

Deadline for applications is **20 November 2024**

Interviews will likely take place on **16-18 December 2024**

Starting date of this position is **March to May 2025**

For questions regarding the position, please contact Dr. Daniela Mahl (d.mahl@ikmz.uzh.ch) or Dr. Sophia C. Volk (s.volk@ikmz.uzh.ch).

The University of Zurich is the largest research university in Switzerland. IKMZ is one of the leading communication departments in Europe. The University of Zurich is interested in the equality of men and women in scientific positions and encourages applications from women.