



## **The Smart City Institute at HEC Management School (University of Liege, Belgium) invites applications for 2 open research positions**

### **HEC Management School, University of Liege**

HEC Management School - University of Liege (HEC Liège) is the school of management of the University of Liege. HEC Liège is one of the leading Belgian university business schools for graduate and postgraduate programs with more than 115 full-time faculty members and researchers and more than 2380 students. The school's mission is to train creative managers who will be responsible for building the future of businesses and organizations in a cross-cultural world. HEC Liège is a dynamic institution that heavily promotes an active pedagogy leading students to actively contribute to their education. The international vision of HEC Liège translates into multiple research activities in management and economics, numerous partnerships with worldwide companies and universities, and growing internationalization of its programs and faculty.

HEC Liège is located in Liège, Belgium's third largest city, and the largest agglomeration of the French-speaking Walloon region. At the heart of Europe, Liège is the third inland port of Europe and the seventh freight airport in Europe. Recognized for its quality of life and its rich historical patrimonium, Liège is ideally situated within the Meuse-Rhin Euregio, 40 kilometers from Maastricht (the Netherlands) and 60 kilometers from Aachen (Germany). It is less than 1.5 hours away from Köln, 2.5 hours from Paris and 4 hours from London by high-speed train (TGV) starting from the new magnificent train station designed by the renowned architect Santiago Calatrava.

HEC Liège work environment: <http://www.hec.ulg.ac.be/en/hec-ulg-business-school-assets>

The researchers will be part of the team of the **Smart City Institute** at HEC Liège. The Smart City Institute is an academic institute that carries out scientific research, develops teaching and supports innovation as well as entrepreneurship in the field of the sustainable and smart city. The SCI proposes to approach this thematic from a managerial angle (not a technical one) while collaborating with other disciplines (necessary multidisciplinary approach).

For more information, visit our website: [www.smartcityinstitute.be](http://www.smartcityinstitute.be)

### **Job Description**

The Smart City Institute offers two research positions (1 year contract - renewable) in the field of the **management of sustainable and smart cities**.

Each research position will be linked to a specific thematic. We are looking for researcher interested in conducting a research on one of the following themes:

- (1) **Strategizing and controlling for sustainable and smart cities**.
- (2) **Smart Cities & innovative business/financing models**

Depending on the candidates, three job contracts are possible:

- A doctoral grant (necessity to conduct a PhD research on the topic)
- A postdoctoral grand (only for researcher with a PhD)
- A research contract

### **Job qualifications**

The candidate should demonstrate research interests in several fields like **strategy, management control, smart city & sustainability management**.

The candidate should demonstrate **outstanding research potential** (with previous scientific publications). Fluency in English is required. The researcher should have good communication skills and be able to be part of a team (involvement in joint projects with other researchers, interest for the other activities of the Smart City Institute, etc).

- For the PhD research position:
  - The candidate must hold a **Master's degree** (M2) in a discipline related to the research themes
  - He has to show an **excellent evaluation record** (please add you Master diploma with the details about your evaluation/grade)
  
- For the postdoctoral position:
  - A **doctoral degree** in business/management and economics (or any other related discipline) of no more than 7 years is required.
  - An **international profile** is also required. In particular, the candidate has to be in a **situation of international mobility**. This means that he cannot have lived or exercised his main activity (occupation, studies, etc) in Belgium for more than 24 months during the last 3 years preceding the beginning date of the fellowship/activity. Short-lived stays such as holidays or participations in symposium are not taken into account.
  
- For the research contract:
  - The candidate must hold a **Master's degree** (M2) in a discipline related to the research themes.
  - He should also demonstrate **previous experience** in research (approximately 5-year experience with another research centre; previous publications/presentations)

### **Information and application process**

#### **Application deadline: 30<sup>th</sup> November 2016**

The researchers will start their mission on **1<sup>st</sup> January 2017** for a period of one year (renewable one time) within the team of the Smart City Institute, in the management department of HEC-Management School of the University of Liege (Belgium).

Interested candidates should apply electronically by sending their application to Professor Nathalie Crutzen : [ncrutzen@ulg.ac.be](mailto:ncrutzen@ulg.ac.be) before 30<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

Please provide the following:

- Cover letter outlining research interests and the links with the research project
- References
- Curriculum vitae
- Reprints of published journal articles.

Further information about the position can be obtained at: [ncrutzen@ulg.ac.be](mailto:ncrutzen@ulg.ac.be)