Job offer in NCN research project

Job title:	PhD student
Period of employment:	From 6 to 27 months, starting from 01.02.2026 at the earliest
Form of employment:	NCN research scholarship
Unit Name:	Linguistic Engineering Group
Institution:	Institute of Computer Science, Polish Academy of Sciences
Deadline for applications:	30.01.2026 15:00
Decision up to:	02.02.2026

Director of the ICS PAS announces an open grant competition for the position of PhD student in the Linguistic Engineering Group. The position relates to work within the project entitled *Universal Discourse: a multilingual model of discourse relations" (UDISC)*, No. 2023/50/A/HS2/00559, funded by the NCN (National Science Center) under the MAESTRO 15 funding scheme. Project description: https://clip.ipipan.waw.pl/UDisc.

The competition is open to applicants who fulfill the conditions set forth in the NCN regulations (*Regulamin przyznawania stypendiów naukowych w projektach badawczych finansowanych ze środków NCN*, wprowadzony uchwałą rady NCN nr 124/2022 z dnia 1 grudnia 2022 r.), i.e. those without a doctoral degree who are: doctoral students in a doctoral school (within the meaning of the Act of July 20, 2018. Law on Higher Education and Science) OR participants in doctoral studies (within the meaning of the Act of July 27, 2005 Law on Higher Education).

Candidates for this position should meet the following requirements:

- Knowledge of recent natural language processing methods
- Bachelor or Master's degree in computer science

Evaluation criteria:

The competition commission will evaluate the past achievements and accomplishments, as well as competence to perform project tasks, including: knowledge of discourse representation models; previous experience in projects related to natural language processing.

Task description:

Participation in all computational project activities (implementation of converters from previous discourse representation formats to ISO format, technical support of annotators, implementation and evaluation of discourse parser prototypes, technical assistance in the shared task) under the supervision of the PI and the senior researcher.

The application should include:

1) grant application containing information about the status of a PhD student at a doctoral school or a participant in a doctoral studies program, including the name of the faculty and the name of the higher education institution[1],

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[1] Please include the following clause: "I consent to the processing of my personal data for the purposes necessary for the recruitment process at the Institute of Computer Science of the Polish Academy of Sciences".

2) scientific curriculum vitae including past achievements and accomplishments (publications, conferences, research, fellowships, scholarships, awards, experience, participation in workshops, trainings, scientific projects etc.), as well as competence to perform the above tasks.

3) a copy of the document confirming the master's degree, as required.

Applications and questions should be addressed to the project manager, Justyna Kot, by e-mail in pdf files to: justyna.kot@ipipan.waw.pl, with the note "Konkurs na doktoranta UDISC 2".

The deadline for submitting applications is 30.01.2026. Deadline for announcing the results of the competition is 02.02.2026.

Applications will be considered by the Competition Commission appointed by the Director of the ICS PAS. The Commission may invite candidates for an interview. The decision of the Competition Commission is not subject to appeal.

Prof. Wojciech Penczek
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