



The Laboratory for Internet Computing, Department of Computer Science, University of Cyprus announces the availability of a **Marie-Curie Experienced Researcher** in **Online Social Networking technologies**

. The position is for eighteen (18) months. The position is funded by the European Commission under the Marie Curie Initial Training Network (ITN) program iSocial, which focuses on the design of distributed and scalable overlay networking and distributed storage infrastructures for open online social networks and for innovative social network applications that preserve end-user privacy and information ownership. The main objective of the iSocial Initial Training Network is to provide world class training for a next generation of researchers, computer scientists and Web engineers, emphasizing on a strong combination of advanced understanding in both theoretical and experimental approaches, methodologies and tools that are required to develop Decentralized Online Social Networking platforms.

Requirements, Eligibility Criteria and Funding

Experienced Researchers (ER) within their first five years of their career.

The successful candidate is expected to conduct original research in collaboration with the principal investigators of UCY and other iSocial partners, as well as to contribute actively to the activities planned in the context of the ITN (scientific publications, participation to meetings and events, secondments, preparation of educational material, and online courses, student advising, project management and coordination, etc.).

We are looking for highly motivated applicants with a Ph.D. in computer science or a related field from a reputable institution, strong analytical and programming skills, proven research record, and excellent knowledge of the English language.

ITNs support the initial training of researchers who are still within the first five years (or full-time equivalent) of their careers in research, at the time of their appointment.

Eligible applicants are researchers who, at the time of recruitment are:

- in possession of a doctoral degree, independently of the time taken to acquire it, or have at least four years of full-time equivalent research experience ;
- and have less than five years of full-time equivalent research experience.

The research experience of an Experienced Researcher (ER) recruited for initial training may not exceed 5 years at the time of the appointment.

Also, eligible applicants must not have resided or carried out their main activity (work, studies, etc.) in Cyprus for more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately prior to the date of recruitment.

Marie Curie fellows enjoy good salaries and working conditions, career development opportunities and work-life balance. We especially encourage women researchers to apply for the aforementioned position. The yearly salary of a PostDoc researcher under Marie Curie iSocial ITN scheme at UCY is expected to be approx. 56,000 Euros before the tax, social security, and other deductions. Marie Curie fellows will also get coverage of expenses related to the participation in research and training activities (contribution to research-related costs, meetings, conference attendance, training actions, etc.).

Applications

To communicate your expression of interest, please fill in the application form ([doc](#) , [pdf](#)) and send it together with your curriculum vitae, two (2) references, transcript of the grades (original and in English), by email to "mpoveda (at) cs.ucy.ac.cy". While expressions of interest are accepted on a continuous basis, applications received by 30th of June, 2014 will be considered in the first evaluation cycle. Expected starting date: 1st September, 2014. For more information please contact Maria Poveda: mpoveda (at) cs.ucy.ac.cy.

The iSocial ITN has started in October 2012 and will finish in September 2016. The following institutions participate in the iSocial ITN: Royal Institute of Technology, Sweden (asst. prof. S. Girdzijauskas, prof. S. Haridi); Univ. of Cyprus (prof. M. Dikaiakos, Dr. G. Pallis); Univ. of Insubria, Italy (prof. E. Ferrari); ICS/FORTH, Greece (prof. E. Markatos, prof. V. Fragopoulou); Univ. of Barcelona (prof. M. Boguna); IBM Israel (Dr. E. Dekel); Peerialism, Sweden (Dr. S. El-Ansary), and a number of associated research and industrial partners (IMIS/ATHENA, Greece; Nanyang Technological University, Singapore; TELEFONICA TID, Spain; FORTHNET, Greece; FMT Worldwide, Cyprus/Australia; Wadja.com, Cyprus/USA).

