Call for expression of interest for one (1) position, for one (1) Postdoctoral Researcher in Computer Science in the Institute of Computer Science (ICS) Foundation for Research and Technology – Hellas (FORTH)

Position(s): One (1) position for the project H2020 AI4EU
Project: “AI4EU – A European AI On Demand Platform and Ecosystem” (Grant Agreement number: 825619) funded under Horizon 2020, H2020-ICT-2018-2020
Desired starting date: October 1st, 2021
Duration: 3 months
Location: Heraklion, Crete, Greece
Opening date: 02/08/2021
Closing date: 17/08/2021
Ref.: “AI4EU -Jul2021”

Description
We seek one Postdoctoral Researcher in Computer Science, who will participate in the R&D activities of FORTH-ICS in the context of the H2020 project “AI4EU – A European AI On Demand Platform and Ecosystem”, funded under Horizon 2020 H2020-ICT-2018-2020. The candidate will work on the design and implementation of a goal-oriented chatbot that will allow the exploration of the various resources of the AI4EU platform. The goal-oriented chatbot will be based on the faceted-search interaction paradigm.

The H2020 AI4EU aims to build the first European Artificial Intelligence On-Demand Platform and Ecosystem with the support of the European Commission under the H2020 programme. The AI4EU Platform brings the AI Ecosystem stakeholders and AI resources together in one dedicated place, overcoming fragmentation, so that AI-based innovations (research, products, solutions) will be accelerated. The AI4EU Platform acts as the
one-stop-shop for anyone looking for AI knowledge, technology, services, software, and experts. AI4EU functions as European AI market driver, offering a critical mass of resources, community networking effects, and rapid development and growth.

Requirements and desired qualifications
One position for a Postdoctoral Research in Computer Science

Required qualifications:
- BSc degree in Computer Engineering, Computer Science or related field
- PhD in Computer Engineering, Computer Science or related field
- Two years demonstrated experience in
  - Software development of infrastructures that offer Information Retrieval and Faceted Search services
  - Research, Design and Implementation of Dialogue Systems and Chatbots
- Solid knowledge on deep-learning based conversation frameworks (e.g., deepavlov)
- Demonstrated experience in European and/or National ICT RTD projects
- Very good written and verbal Greek and English communication skills to collaborate with other domain experts and to transfer knowledge.
- Willingness and ability to work cooperatively within a team, to learn, and to adapt to the projects
- Letters of recommendation
- Physical presence at FORTH, Heraklion, Crete for the duration of the position
- Completed Military Services (If applicable)

Desired qualifications:
- Decision making and representation of the team/laboratory/institute in both national and international level
- Experience in presenting / demonstrating semantic web technologies and services
- Publications in related fields

Application Submission
Interested candidates can submit their applications via http://www.ics.forth.gr/jobs using the link “Apply for the position” under the announcement.

Applications must include:
- Detailed CV, including qualifications and interests in the above areas and proof thereof
- Scanned copies of academic titles; academic transcripts for undergraduate and postgraduate degrees
- Letters of recommendation, detailed presentation of prior work, studies and/or publications, demonstrating knowledge of desired skills.
- Certificate of completion of military obligations (for Greek citizen male candidates)

Contact Information:
For information and questions about the advertised position, the activity of the group or the Institute, please contact Maria Moutsaki at moutsaki@ics.forth.gr.

Selection Announcement
The result of the selection will be announced on the website of ICS-FORTH. Candidates have the right to appeal the selection decision, by addressing their written objection to the ICS secretariat within five (5) days since the results announcement on the web. They also have the right to access (a) the files of the candidates as well as (b) the table of candidates’ scores (ranking of candidates results). All the above information related to the selection procedure will be available at the secretariat of ICS-FORTH in line with the Hellenic Data Protection Authority. Access to personal data of co-candidates shall be limited to personal data (and relevant data) and supporting documents which have been the basis of the evaluation of the candidates for the
specific post(s). Prior to the announcement of the personal data and/or documents of the co-candidates to the applicant, FORTH will inform the data subjects in an appropriate way.

FORTH is compliant with all legal procedures for the processing of personal data as defined by the Regulation EU/2016/679 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data.

FORTH processes the personal data and relevant supporting documents that you have submitted to us. Processing of that data is carried out exclusively for the needs and purposes of this specific call. Such data shall not be transmitted to or communicated to any third party unless required by law.

FORTH retains the above data up to the announcement of the final results of the call, unless further process and reservation is required by law or for purposes of exercise, enforcement, prosecution of certain one’s legitimate legal rights’ as defined in the Regulation EU/2016/679 and/or in national law.

We inform you that under the Regulation EU/2016/679 you have the rights to be informed about your personal data, access to, rectification and erasure, restrictions of process and objection to as provided by applicable regulation and national laws.

We acknowledge also to you, that you have the right to file a complaint to the national Data Protection Authority. For any further information regarding exercise of your personal data protection rights, you may contact the Data Protection Officer at FORTH at dpo@admin.forth.gr.

You have the right to withdraw your application and consent for the processing of your personal data at any time. We inform you that, in this case, FORTH shall destroy such documents and/or supporting documents submitted and shall delete the related personal data.