Call for expression of interest for one (1) (ESR) PhD Student in the Institute of Computer Science (ICS) Foundation for Research and Technology – Hellas (FORTH)

POSITION: One (1) full-time (ESR) PhD Student in Robotics and Artificial Intelligence


DESIRED STARTING DATE: September 2023

DURATION: Up to three (3) years

LOCATION: Heraklion, Crete, Greece

OPENING DATE: 15/06/2023

CLOSING DATE: 26/06/2023

REF.: RAICAM-June2023

1 ESR: Early Stage Researcher
Description

- The position is a full-time PhD student position and is funded by the European Commission, under the H2020 Marie Skłodowska-Curie Doctoral Network program RAICAM.

The central scientific goal of RAICAM is to conduct research into the underlying technologies in Robotics and AI that will unlock the capability for a fleet of robots to conduct coordinated sampling campaigns in industrial facilities with varying levels of autonomy. The project will investigate how to undertake robotic sampling using a multi-disciplinary approach that will fuse fundamental research with systems-level engineering. The RAICAM Doctoral Network will train the next generation of robotic systems engineers who will develop creative and innovative multi-disciplinary skills, enhancing their inter-sectoral mobility.

- We welcome applicants with a B.Sc. and M.Sc. degree, aiming at pursuing a Ph.D. degree.
- The position is to be filled for a period of up to 3 years.
- According to the H2020 Marie Skłodowska-Curie Doctoral Network directives and requirements:
  - The salary for this prestigious position will be highly competitive.
  - The successful candidate will formally bear the title “Marie Skłodowska-Curie PhD Candidate”.

Required qualifications:

- B.Sc. and M.Sc. degrees in Computer Science or related Engineering field
  - Exceptional candidates not holding an M.Sc. will be considered
- Experience with Robot control and/or Machine Learning techniques
- Programming skills in languages such as C++ and python
- Experience with development tools: opencv, ROS, scipy, Matlab or equivalent
- Willingness and ability to work in a team, to learn, and to take initiatives
- Communication skills
- Recommendation letters from at least two (2) professors/co-workers

Desired qualifications:

- Background in autonomous robot navigation and/or legged robot locomotion
- Experience with Sensory (Visual) data processing

Eligibility Criteria:

- According to the H2020 Marie Skłodowska-Curie Doctoral Network directives and requirements, at the time of recruitment by FORTH, the successful applicant must not have resided or carried out their main activity (work, studies, etc.) in Greece for more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately prior to the reference date.

Expression of Interest/Contact Information
Interested candidates should contact Prof. Panos Trahanias (trahania@ics.forth.gr).

Application Submission
Interested candidates can submit their applications via http://www.ics.forth.gr/jobs/en using the link “Apply for the position”. Applications must include:
- Detailed CV, including qualifications and interests in the above areas, and proof thereof
- Scanned copies of academic titles and transcripts
- Detailed presentation of prior work, studies and/or publications, demonstrating knowledge of desired skills
- Recommendation letters from at least two (2) professors/co-workers
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.

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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.

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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.