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Starting at the earliest date possible and limited to 31.12.2027, the Institute for Language, Media and Music Studies, Department of Media Studies of the Faculty of Art is seeking a

**Research associate (65%)**

The position is assigned to the professorship of Digital Media Culture in the Department of Media Studies and is part of the project "Precision Farming: Co-operative practices of virtual fencing" within the collaborative research centre Media of Cooperation (University of Siegen).

**Your responsibilities:**
- Carry out independent scientific research in the sub-project "Contemporary practices of virtual fencing" with a focus on media-theoretical and empirical-qualitative analysis of current sensing and tracking practices in precision (live-stock) farming. In particular, media-analytical and -ethnographic investigation of exemplary fencing applications to reflect on the geographical and socio-technical conditions of mobile fencing,
- Write a PhD thesis on the topic through research in the project,
- Participate in interdisciplinary cooperation with the other project members and within the CRC Media of Cooperation ([https://www.mediacoop.uni-siegen.de/de/](https://www.mediacoop.uni-siegen.de/de/)),
- Organize and implement project-specific events.

**Your qualifications:**
- University degree (MA or equivalent) in media studies or a similar discipline (cultural studies, science and technology studies, social informatics, etc.) with a focus on media research,
- PhD project in the field of digital media culture, preferably with a focus on sensory and geodata practices in industrial livestock farming,
- Knowledge in the field of theory, history and analysis of digital media culture, preferably with a focus on sensing, critical animal studies, app/interface studies or ethnographic methods,
- Experience in organizing events and publications is advantageous,
- Very good knowledge of German and English,
- Independent, self-reliant and team-oriented way of working.

**We offer:**
- a varied and challenging position with one of the biggest employers in the area,
- opportunity to pursue a PhD,
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- collaboration in a cooperative and interdisciplinary team,
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- a salary based on the 13 TV-L scale.
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If you are interested in (filling) this position, please send your complete application documents (incl. summary of the thesis (1-2 pages) and, if applicable, exposé of the PhD project) as one pdf-file by 06.03.2024 to Silke Baumgarten: baumgarten@uni-bonn.de with the application code 3.2/2024/07.

For further information, please contact Prof. Dr. Kathrin Friedrich: k.friedrich@uni-bonn.de.

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