The Institute for Oriental and European Archaeology – OREA of the Austrian Academy of Sciences in Vienna (https://www.orea.oeaw.ac.at/) is offering a PhD POSITION in European Prehistoric Archaeology with focus on Neolithic technological trajectories in the Balkans.

We are searching for a young scientist, willing to work as a doctoral student within the framework of the FWF funded project NEOTECH, the contract starting 1 March 2020.

NEOTECH aims to shed new light on the Neolithisation process in the central Balkans by analysing the built environment in combination with the potential impact of new social and cultural technologies. NEOTECH is based on already excavated and available data in the Aegean and west Anatolia as well as on new archaeological fieldwork in the central Balkans, focussing on the Pusta Reka region, Serbia and the excavations at Svinjerička Ćuka.

Essential for the position:
• interest in the Neolithic (of the Balkans)
• experience in archaeological excavations and documentation systems
• experience of databases and data repositories
• engagement in writing a PhD thesis in the framework of the project with focus on built environment
• driving license

Responsibilities:
• participation in field and study campaigns
• responsible for data input in co-operation with the two Post Docs and the Principal Investigator
• assisting in the reconstruction of the built environment of the site in the context of the Neolithisation of the central Balkans
• assisting in project management

We offer:
• a 30h/week employment according to the FWF regulations, for 1 year with the perspective of 3 years (https://www.fwf.ac.at/de/forschungsfoerderung/personalkostensaetze/)
• a thriving research environment, the possibility to engage with outstanding international and interdisciplinary working colleagues, high standard of research premises and offices

The application should contain:
• an academic curriculum vitae
• a letter of motivation
• proof of academic success (certificates and credentials)
• two letters of recommendation

The Austrian Academy of Sciences values diversity and is committed to equality of opportunity. Women are particularly encouraged to apply. Applicants are invited to send their application documents via e-mail as pdf attachments to the director of the Institute for Oriental and European Archaeology – OREA, Prof. Dr. Barbara Horejs, at angela.schwab@oeaw.ac.at with the reference “application for PhD position”.

Deadline for applications is 31st December 2019.