PhD fellowship on Open Science and Responsible Research at the University of Tartu

The Department of Philosophy, University of Tartu, offers one fully-funded 4-year PhD position (subject to successful evaluation every year according to the university rules). The position is directly associated with and will contribute to the Horizon 2020 project “Responsible Open Science in Europe” (ROSiE – see below for more details). The focus of the PhD will broadly be on the **disciplinary, conceptual, epistemic and ethical challenges associated with the implementation of Open Science.** The PhD project and supervisors will be located in a philosophy department but the project will have significant interdisciplinary aspects, being conducted at the intersections of philosophy (esp. philosophy of science) and research ethics and likely to combine both theoretical literature-based as well as social research methodology.

A good candidate will have previous experience in research fields broadly associated with the topics of open science, research ethics and philosophy of science.

To apply

The candidates are expected to have an MA or its equivalent. The candidates are asked to prepare a doctoral dissertation project (3–5 pages plus the reference list); a successful project is related to the themes of the ROSiE project, so that the work done as a part of the project and the subsequent independent work could be integrated into the PhD dissertation. (You can request additional information about the project from Kadri Simm – kadri.simm@ut.ee – or Jaana Eigi – jaana.eigi@ut.ee)

You can see the full list of the documents required, the admission process and criteria and the link to the submission system DreamApply here: [https://www.ut.ee/en/phd-philosophy](https://www.ut.ee/en/phd-philosophy). The candidates need to submit their application electronically on DreamApply **between the 15th and the 30th of September 2021.** The candidates whose applications have received a passing grade will be invited for the online admission interview on the 6th of October 2021.

About ROSiE

Open science (OS) – where research planning, processes, data and results are freely available to all stakeholders – is the future of science. OS will make science more effective and more responsive to societal needs, and it will enable citizens to participate actively in all aspects of science as citizen scientists. OS does, however also raise new questions about research ethics, integrity and misconduct. We know that research misconduct and questionable research practices occur in our current scientific processes, and it is likely that similar or new forms of misconduct and questionable practices will emerge in OS. It is therefore important to identify and analyse the potential for misconduct in various areas of OS practice and in different scientific disciplines, and to identify and analyse current ethical, social and legal approaches to responding to questionable practices. It is only based on such an analysis that the European science system can effectively ensure that ethics and research integrity (ERI) becomes a structural component of Open Science. ROSiE will provide this analysis and develop practical tools aimed at ensuring ERI in OS and citizen science (CS). This will be done by a strongly multi-disciplinary project group consisting of world-leading experts and organizations in OS, CS, and ERI. (See more at [https://rosie-project.eu/](https://rosie-project.eu/) and [https://cordis.europa.eu/project/id/101006430](https://cordis.europa.eu/project/id/101006430))

About the structure of the PhD studies in philosophy at the University of Tartu