

Faculty of Management, Economics and Social Sciences

Assistant Professorship in Economics of Sustainable Energy (W1), w/o tenure track (f/m/d)

The University of Cologne is one of the oldest and largest universities in Germany. With its six Faculties covering a broad spectrum of disciplines and its internationally outstanding research profile areas, it enjoys an excellent reputation for its academic achievements and high standards of undergraduate and graduate education. The position is based in the Faculty of Management, Economics and Social Sciences, which is consistently ranked among the top schools in research and teaching.

YOUR TASKS

The successful candidate will be expected to contribute to research, teaching and academic administration of the Faculty, in the Department of Economics. The tasks of the professorship include the training of students and doctoral candidates in the field of energy economics, particularly from a micro-economic perspective. In doing so, close collaboration with the Institute of Energy Economics (EWI) and a good fit with the Faculty's Key Research Initiative on Sustainable Smart Energy & Mobility (SSEM) and/or with the Faculty's Excellence Cluster ECONtribute is expected.

YOUR PROFILE

We are seeking an economist at an early career stage (ideally, no more than three years since completion of a doctoral degree) with an excellent track record in research, demonstrated by at least one publication in a recognized international peer-reviewed journal. We are particularly looking for an individual with a promising research agenda related to the economics of sustainable energy, a comprehensive understanding of energy and/or emmission markets and institutions, as well as a credible commitment to energy economics in research and teaching. Furthermore, we expect the potential to successfully acquire and manage third-party-funded projects.

OUR OFFER

The University of Cologne provides a stimulating academic environment with a wide range of career development opportunities as well as support services for dual career couples and family-friendly working conditions.

The position (of a *Juniorprofessorin | Juniorprofessor*) is available as of at the earliest possible date. Formal requirements are detailed in Section 36 of the Higher Education Act of North Rhine-Westphalia (Hochschulgesetz – HG NRW).

In the third year after entering into office, an interim evaluation is held. This serves as the basis for the decision as to whether an extension for a further three years will be granted to the candidate. WI professorships comprise a teaching load of four hours per week (i.e., two hours per week is one 90-minute course per semester) in the first qualification phase and five hours per week in the second qualification phase.

The University of Cologne promotes equal opportunities and diversity. Women will be considered preferentially in accordance with the Equal Opportunities Act of North Rhine-Westphalia (Landesgleichstellungsgesetz – LGG NRW). We also expressly welcome applications from all suitable candidates regardless of their gender, nationality, ethnic and social origin, religion, disability, age, sexual orientation and identity.

Please submit your application (without a photo) via the University of Cologne's Academic Job Portal (https://professorships.uni-koeln.de) by 10.10.2025. Your application should be addressed to the Dean of the Faculty of Management, Economics and Social Science. It should consist of the following documents (in English language): cover letter, curriculum vitae, a publication list and teaching evaluations, if available. For further information, please contact Professor Dr Marc Oliver Bettzüge (bettzuege-Wl@wiso.uni-koeln.de).





