The Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research is seeking

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for the Laboratory of Digital and Computational Demography headed by Emilio Zagheni. Ideal candidates are reliable, organized, and motivated. Preferred candidates are final-year Bachelor’s students or Master’s students at a German university (especially in Rostock) in demography, sociology, communication science, psychology, economics, biology, or related disciplines. A good command of English is essential. Additional language skills in German and especially in Brazilian Portuguese, Korean, or any of the major languages spoken in Nigeria (e.g., Igbo, Hausa, Yoruba) would be advantageous. Individuals with proficiency in Excel/LibreOffice Calc and in programming languages like R or Python will be assessed positively.

Potential tasks include
  ▪ Literature reviews on sustainability behavior, health behavior, and social media;
  ▪ Administration of quantitative surveys and online experiments;
  ▪ Data handling, cleaning, and management, especially of social media text data;

The successful candidate can ideally start on May 1, 2022. The first contract runs for 6 months with the possibility of extension. The number of working hours is 8 hours per week. More information on the work of the Institute and the DCoDe laboratory is available at www.demogr.mpg.de.

The application should include a one-page cover letter as well as a CV with details of your academic studies, grades, and your interests. Please also include your academic plans for the coming 1-2 years. Applications are accepted until Feb 13, 2022. Please address your application in English or German to office-zagheni@demogr.mpg.de (use “student_assistant” in the subject).

The Max Planck Society wishes to increase the share of women in areas where they are underrepresented and strongly encourages women to apply. The Max Planck Society is committed to employing more individuals with disabilities and especially encourages them to apply.