

The IHS – Institute for Advanced Studies in Vienna is a leading non-university research institute that creates empirically based knowledge on significant economic and social challenges of our time. It delivers excellent applied basic research and impartial scientific policy advice, combining economic and social science perspectives. IHS is looking to fill the following position in the newly established Competence Center Survey Research.

Postdoctoral Researcher (f/m/d, 35h/week)

As a researcher at IHS, you will be part of a research unit that conducts and coordinates scientific surveys, provides consultation on survey design and offers data services. You will be involved in survey research and actively contribute to the development of the unit.

About you

- You hold a Doctoral degree in economics, sociology, statistics, data science, or a related field, and aim at a career in policy-oriented applied research
- You have a strong background in quantitative research methods, survey design and analysis; experience in designing, analyzing, and managing large-scale surveys is a plus
- You are strongly proficient in programming (e.g. Stata, R, SPSS, Python, Matlab)
- You have excellent communication skills in both German and English

Your responsibilities

- Conduct research on survey methodology, data collection techniques, and statistical advancements, present findings at conferences and publish in peer-reviewed journals
- Develop projects and research proposals related to survey methodology, tools and data
- Contribute to the development of surveys throughout the entire lifecycle and designing and implementing quantitative surveys to collect high-quality data
- Program syntaxes at different stages of the survey process (data preparation to data archiving)
- Develop and undertake knowledge transfer activities

What IHS offers

- Excellent opportunities for career development as an emerging scientist due to our strong research environment and science-based policy advisory expertise
- Dedicated research time, comprehensive mentoring and a broad academic network
- Flexible working time arrangements and the option of mobile working, IHS is a certified familyfriendly employer
- A great location set in the heart of Vienna and a fully operating infrastructure

The minimum monthly salary for the advertised position is \leq 4,919.45 gross for a 35-hour week, paid 14 times per year. The position is to be filled in spring 2026. The initial contract period is 3 years, with the possibility of an extension upon successful internal evaluation.

IHS is an equal opportunity employer. We examine our unconscious biases and take responsibility for the career advancement of women and for creating an inclusive environment that makes every employee and candidate feel welcome.

How to apply?

To apply, please submit a cover letter, CV, certificates, and a sample of your research online via application@ihs.ac.at by **November 25, 2025**. Please contact Vlasta Zucha (zucha@ihs.ac.at), if you have any questions about the position or the Competence Center Survey Research.

We will protect your personal data during the application process. You will find our data protection regulations in the application process here.