



Entrepreneurship Project Coordinator for the European Lighthouse of AI for Sustainability (ELIAS) (m/f/d, E13, TV-L, 100%)

Application Deadline: 30.10.2023

The [**Tübingen AI Center**](#)—a thriving national hub for artificial intelligence research at the University of Tübingen—is welcoming applications for an exciting new role as Project Coordinator for the **European Lighthouse of AI for Sustainability (ELIAS)**. The position will start in autumn 2023 and is for the duration of the ELIAS project (4 years).

About ELIAS:

Funded by the European Union's Horizon Europe program, ELIAS envisions propelling Europe to the forefront of Artificial Intelligence (AI) research that champions sustainable growth and innovation. ELIAS builds on and expands the successful and internationally recognized "[**European Laboratory for Learning and Intelligent Systems**](#)" (ELLIS Society), and is dedicated to pinpointing areas where AI can catalyze sustainable economic expansion that benefits society, the environment, and individuals. Next to fundamental science, an important endeavor of ELIAS, led by the Tübingen AI Center, is to foster entrepreneurship and technological transfer. A key initiative in this context is the establishment of the European Innovation Alliance (EIA), a coalition of leading AI innovation partners, aimed at nurturing talent and spawning transformative AI startups and sustainable tech solutions.

Key Responsibilities:

- Establish and coordinate the *European Innovation Alliance (EIA)*, orchestrating collaborations amongst 20 seminal partners focused on deep tech AI, sustainability ventures, and an open-source research community on foundation models and generative AI
- Comprehensive management and oversight of the EU project work package, including financial and administrative dimensions
- Liaising with project partners and overseeing the progress made by the collaborators of this work package on establishing a transformative technology summer school, increasing the visibility of tech transfer among students and mentors in the ELLIS PhD program, developing a start-up internship program, organizing hackathons and an open call to SMEs
- Documenting relevant statistics and creating project status reports

- Representing the project in meetings and acting as the main liaison for EIA network partners, sponsors, and the public
- Organization of conferences, workshops, and project meetings
- Public relations work for the EIA (website, social media, policy briefings)

Qualifications and Competencies:

- Advanced university degree (MSc or PhD)
- Candidates should meet several of the following competencies:
 - English proficiency in both written and spoken forms; German proficiency is a valuable addition.
 - Experience in network establishment and partner management.
 - Experience with technology transfer and spin-offs from academic or private research environments
 - Acumen in the selection of EIA partners based on their excellence in deep tech entrepreneurship around AI and sustainability
 - Aptitude for creating a partner networks' representation for the EIA (e.g., website or newsletter)
 - Prior experience with university-associated third-party funding administration
 - Great communication, teamwork, and organizational skills
 - Familiarity with EU project management and associated reporting would be a significant advantage

Our Offer:

Join us in navigating an international landscape to build a strong alliance for “AI made in Europe”. Collaborate closely with a diverse team of researchers, students, and professionals, all united in the vision of unlocking a new wave of entrepreneurship across Europe on AI and sustainability. Compensation aligns with the public service sector's collective agreement (TV-L), including comprehensive social benefits and a public transportation subsidy. Additionally, co-appointments with industry stakeholders, such as incubators, are encouraged and supported.

The University of Tübingen is committed to equal opportunity and diversity and takes individual life situations into account. The university wishes to increase the number of women in leadership positions and strongly encourages qualified women to apply. Applications from equally qualified candidates with disabilities will be given preference. The position can be shared. Employment processes are managed by the University of Tübingen's central administration.

How to apply:

Interested candidates should send their application (containing a cover letter, CV, and relevant certificates) in a single PDF by 30.10.2023 to applications@tuebingen.ai with the subject “Application: Entrepreneurship Project Coordinator”. Informal enquiries may be addressed to applications@tuebingen.ai.