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Neither Polar nor Ocean related, but maybe open for these themes. From the position advertisement: The Faculty of Humanities, Education and Social Sciences (FHSE) at the University of Luxembourg brings together interdisciplinary expertise: People from across 20 disciplines are working within the Faculty. The doctoral researcher will be working under the supervision of Prof. Anna-Lena Högenauer. The doctoral researcher's main task will be to prepare a doctoral thesis related to either 1) women in European Union politics, or 2) women in the politics of one or more EU member states, or 3) small states in the European Union. More information and application here:

<<https://recruitment.uni.lu/de/details.html?id=QMUFK026203F3VBQB7V7VV4S8&nPostingID=105636&nPostingTargetID=151080&ask=karriereseiten&lg=DE>>.

5. Wissenschaftliche*r Mitarbeiter*in (Post-Doc) Universität des Saarlandes, application deadline, 11.04.2025

Neither Polar nor Ocean related, but maybe open for these themes. From the position advertisement: The research activities in the Cluster for European Studies are bundled under the overarching research topic "Europe-World(s) - Projections, Reflections, Transformations". Europe's relations with the world have always been characterized by give and take in many areas: culture, literature, languages, technology, economics, politics, law, philosophy, religion, etc. Just as Europe transformed the world, the world also transformed Europe. At a time when the world's political and economic center of gravity is shifting from Europe to the Pacific, these processes of change are taking on a new character. Europe is seeking to rethink its relationship to the world, to find new 'transitions' to the world. The focus is on the question of how 'concepts' of Europe are projected, transformed and reflected upon and how they can be researched empirically. More information here: <<https://www.uni-saarland.de/fileadmin/upload/verwaltung/stellen/Wissenschaftler/W2592.pdf>>.

6. University Lecturer in World Politics (Post-Doc), University of Helsinki, application deadline, 11.04.2025

Neither Polar nor Ocean related, but maybe open for these themes - in any case closer to the Arctic. Heavy focus on teaching: "Teaching duties are carried out in degree programmes in which world politics is included: the BA and MA programmes for Politics and Communication and the international MA programme Global Politics and Communication. Among the courses to be taught, are "Foreign Policy and Security", "Advanced Theories of International Politics", and "Theories of Politics and Communication in the Information Age". More info and application here: <https://www.researchgate.net/job/1020307_University_Lecturer_in_World_Politics>.

7. University Hamburg, Research Associate for the Project "DFG Humanities Centre for Advanced Studies Futures of Sustainability", application deadline, 12.04.2025

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8. Wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter (Post-Doc), Universität Erfurt, application

deadline, 14.04.2025

Neither Polar nor Ocean related, but maybe open for these themes. From the position advertisement: The world order, which for three decades has been characterized by increasingly integrated trade relations, globalized markets and multilateralism, has been undergoing a paradigm shift...a crisis of the liberal order...rise of...the era of geo-economy. At its core, the term geoeconomics refers to an analytical alternative to the globalization discourse and refers to the politicization of market dynamics: Economic activity, goods and financial flows are understood as being subject to a strategic state calculation and thus made more secure. At the same time, analysts are observing a stagnation of global interdependence coupled with increasing regionalization." Research and tasks are related to this frame. More info and application here: <<https://jobs.uni-erfurt.de/jobposting/f59c9030547d5b81902ea42988203b96c85ffc3e0>>

9. Wissenschaftliche*r Mitarbeiter*in (Post-Doc) am Promotionskolleg, Universität Erfurt, application deadline, 08.05.2025

Neither Polar nor Ocean related, but maybe open for these themes. From the position advertisement: The doctoral research group De-Globalization and Global Decoupling (DeGlobE) investigates how the recalibration of market and state, economic paradigms and regulatory levels and approaches, that is emerging under conditions of de-globalization manifests itself. On the one hand, DeGlobE is interested in the developing, specific 'post-globalization logics' that characterize these sectors. On the other hand, it will ask what consequences de-globalization, disentanglement and global decoupling have for normative goals such as social justice, socio-ecological transformation or the observance of human rights and which mechanisms can take the place of formerly multilateral approaches. More information and application here: <<https://jobs.uni-erfurt.de/jobposting/686f725c8a2a47839168f08f4440ed9c7c644f860>>.

10. Wissenschaftliche*n Mitarbeiter*in (w/d/m) „Sozialwissenschaftliche Nachhaltigkeitsforschung“, application deadline, 04.05.2025

Neither Polar nor Ocean related, but maybe open for people with expertise gained in these fields. From the position advertisement: Required is a completed doctorate in environmental or sociology of technology or a related scientific field. The applicant works in inter- and transdisciplinary research and commissioned projects, develop the foundations for shaping socio-ecological transformations in future social fields, such as a resource-efficient, circular society, the transformation of the energy system or adaptation to climate change. Successful applicant will work on theoretical-conceptual questions, for example from the theory of social practices or comparable theoretical approaches, and link these with the development of empirically based recommendations for action for concrete design tasks of a socio-ecological transformation. More information and application here: <<https://www.isoe.de/stellenangebot/isoe-ff4-sozialwissenschaftliche-nachhaltigkeitsforschung>>.

11. Call for Contributions: TAI Web-Site series on China in the Arctic 2025, abstract submission deadline, 01.05.2025

The Arctic Institute is pleased to announce that it is accepting abstracts for the 2025 series on China's role in the Arctic. This series builds on previous China series from 2020 and 2023. More information and abstract submission here:

<<https://www.thearcticinstitute.org/call-for-papers-for-series-on-china-in-the-arctic-2025/>>

12. Call for Contributions: TAI Web-Site series on Polar Disaster Risk Reduction and Response, abstract submission deadline, 01.06.2025

In this series, the Arctic institute will bring together pieces from the Arctic and Antarctic that highlight disaster risk science, emphasising evidence-based actions for avoiding disasters, with the ultimate aim of saving lives and supporting livelihoods. The key aspects are reducing vulnerabilities, connecting with sustainability, and respecting a wide variety of knowledges and wisdoms, notably Indigenous understandings. Other important topics are rarely considered hazards, emergency preparedness, emergency

management, post-disaster reconstruction, and climate change mitigation, impacts, and adaptation which would be enfolded within wider topics such as pollution prevention and disaster risk reduction. More information on abstract submission here:

<<https://www.thearcticinstitute.org/call-for-papers-for-2026-series-on-polar-disaster-risk-reduction-and-response/>>.

13. Call for papers: Critical Arctic Studies Symposium, abstract submission deadline, 15.06.2025

The Critical Arctic Studies Symposium will be held on 07-09.10.2025 in Rovaniemi, Finland (in a hybrid mode). The respective Thematic Network invites conceptual and empirical papers from various disciplines and fields that discuss issues of caring for life and politics and economies of care in an Arctic context. More comprehensive description and submission guidelines are to be found here: <<https://www.arcticcentre.org/EN/CAS-Symposium>>.

14. Interesting Material

(a) German Arctic Office: New Policy-Brief "Reception of Germany's new Arctic Policy Guidelines (2024)" is available at: <<https://www.arctic-office.de/en/publications/policy-brief-reception-of-germanys-new-arctic-policy-guidelines-2024/>>.

(b) When G7 foreign ministers met in Charlevoix, Quebec in March, they produced a "DECLARATION ON MARITIME SECURITY AND PROSPERITY". The PDF is attached.

(c) An interesting article on the role of marine economies in social transformation: McDougal, T.L. and Choi-Fitzpatrick, A. (2025), *Leviathans and Liberation: Did Whaling Contribute to the Decline of Slavery?*. Int Soc Sci. <<https://doi.org/10.1111/issj.12567>> ("We test the hypothesis slavery started declining in the United States not due to fossil fuel-driven industrialization but the exploitation of the bioenergy reserves of the world's largest animals").

(d) The International Arctic Social Science Association's membership newsletter's new issue: Northern Notes, *The Arctic in Turbulent Times* (63, Spring 2025) came out: Online version here: <https://iassa.org/images/newsletters/Northern_Notes_63.pdf>.

(e) *The Routledge Handbook of Arctic Governance* (2025), edited by Elena Conde and Corine Wood-Donnelly, "is a comprehensive exploration of the multifaceted issues surrounding governance in the Arctic region. The volume highlights the importance of influencing regulatory frameworks to ensure sustainable economic development and just societies in the Arctic. It shows how security concerns permeate all levels of governance—from national military strategies to community-level human security, where adaptation to climate change is crucial.

(f) Interesting thoughts about the concept of the "Anthropocene" are to be found in the new "Aus Politik und Zeitgeschichte" (only in German), 75(14-15), 29.03.2025. Free download here: <<https://www.bpb.de/shop/zeitschriften/apuz/anthropozoen-2025/>>.

15. Interesting Links

(a) nice overview over the problem of the Russian shadow fleet (German) here: <<https://www.bpb.de/kurz-knapp/hintergrund-aktuell/560573/russische-schattenflotte/>>.

(b) The Polar Law Yearbook and the Polar Law Symposium have a new hub webpage here: <<https://polarlawsecretariat.org/index.html>>.

As always, watch out for our next mail. Deadline for submitting information for distribution in the next newsletter is **27.04.2025**. Any reports, sources, other information you would like to share with the group? Please send it to the address below until above indicated deadline! If you would not like to receive this mail anymore or if your address has changed, please let us know with mail to this address:

<polarmar@dvpw.de>.

We are looking forward to an active year with you before we meet again for our next annual conference in February 2026! All best,

Charlotte, Doro, Christoph und Hannes

