



TU Dortmund University is a dynamic, research-oriented university with 17 faculties spanning the natural and engineering sciences as well as the social sciences and humanities. On our international campus, around 6,700 staff members contribute each day to addressing pressing questions of the present and the future. Openness and diversity shape not only collaboration in research and teaching, but also in technical and administrative services.

Research associate (E13 TV-L)

The Social Research Centre (sfs) in the Faculty of Social Sciences at TU Dortmund University is seeking to fill the position of a research associate (starting at the earliest possible date). The position is initially limited to a term of three years. Compensation will be paid in accordance with the collective bargain agreement at pay grade 13 (TV-L). This is a full-time position. Part-time employment or a reduction to part-time work is generally possible.

YOUR TASKS:

- Independent processing and analysis of quantitative data and/or collection and analysis of qualitative data in the field of “Work in the Socio-Ecological Transformation“
- Development of independent research questions in the aforementioned field
- Publication of articles in recognized scientific journals
- Participation in the acquisition of third-party funding
- Active involvement in networks relevant to the sfs
- Teaching at TU Dortmund University for a total of 4 weekly contact hours (per semester)
- Willingness to travel nationally and internationally

WHAT WE OFFER:

- In addition to an intellectually stimulating role, you can expect an excellent working environment within a motivated, interdisciplinary and internationally connected team.
- You will have plenty of opportunities to contribute your own ideas and to pursue your personal and professional development.
- The opportunity for further academic qualifications will be provided.

YOUR PROFILE:

- You have completed a university degree in the social sciences with Excellent results (Master’s degree, German Diplom or doctoral degree).
- You are passionate about the field of work and, in particular, about related transformations and transformation processes.
- You have a strong interest in academic questions related to “work in the socio-ecological transformation” and, ideally, already have knowledge in this field of research.
- You are proficient in quantitative and/or qualitative methods of empirical social research.
- You have already published academic work.
- You have experience in conducting empirical research projects and, where applicable, in project management.
- You have a strong interest in developing new research questions and project ideas and are open to getting involved in the area of third-party funding acquisition. Ideally, you already have experience in securing external funding.
- You have excellent written and spoken German and English skills and enjoy working in international project contexts.
- You are accustomed to working with dedication and a strong sense of personal responsibility.

TU Dortmund University promotes diversity and equal opportunities. Convince us with your personality and expertise.

Applications from women will be given preferential treatment in accordance with the legal regulations.

It is pointed out that the application of suitable severely disabled persons is desired.

Complete applications including a CV, a publication list, and a list of potential people who are prepared to provide a letter of recommendation using the Reference number w21-26 should be sent until 31 May 2026 to:

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