



The Max Planck Institute for Research on Collective Goods in Bonn, with its approximately 100 employees, scholars, and visiting researchers, is looking for a

Lab Manager (m/f/d),

to begin as soon as possible, and for an initial period of two years, with the prospect of a permanent contract. The successful candidate shall conduct studies in behavioral economics and psychology in our experimental laboratory.

The ideal candidate is a behavioral economist, or someone with a similar background in behavioral or computer science, with a strong technical affinity. We are looking for someone who can manage and further develop our existing computer lab for research on human decision behavior, while also providing support for conducting online experiments and experimental research in the field. The candidate will have the confidence to organize, conduct, and data-manage series of experiments with large pools of participants. The ideal candidate will reliably manage the organizational and technical challenges of the lab and help with programming experiments. In addition, the person's creativity and resourcefulness will help us to break new ground in the design of experiments and the analysis of the resulting data. In addition, the successful candidate will support our rapidly growing experimental research in the field (i.e., outside the laboratory at the Max Planck Institute in Bonn). For this, good programming skills are required and knowledge in statistics and machine-learning would be helpful, but even more important is an intellectual curiosity that will enable an innovative and efficient program design.

Your Tasks:

- Further development of the in-house experimental laboratory;
- Organization of the entire laboratory operation (programming, software development, data backup and organization, as well as maintenance and further development of the subject pool with hroot);
- Introducing experimenters to the lab and providing them with support both in the lab, online, and in the field;
- Familiarizing and training the student assistants in programming the experiments;
- Ensuring the documentation of the experiments, as well as archiving the research data in the institute database;
- Administration of laboratory and research data management infrastructures;
- Close cooperation with the administration in the payment and billing of the experiment funds, including the provision of payment files in the case of online experiments;
- Ensuring data protection in accordance with current legislation;
- Fostering cooperation with the EconLab (University of Bonn).

Your Profile:

- Degree in computer science or economics, or comparable degree;
- Ideally, programming knowledge or experience in at least one programming language (e.g., C, C++, Java);

- Willingness to learn zTree, oTree, python and hroot quickly;
- Experience with technical and content documentation;
- High affinity with IT and willingness to learn new topics and creatively contribute to the further development of experiment software;
- Ideally, experience in central software deployment, IT administration skills;
- Very good analytical thinking;
- Independent, solution-oriented, and user-friendly approach, as well as economic thinking;
- Cooperative and transparent way of working in different teams, with clear and open communication skills;
- Very good knowledge of written and spoken German, or willingness to learn German at level B2 or higher.

Our Offer to You:

- Remuneration according to personal qualifications (along the TVöD Bund salary scale), plus social benefits, including an additional pension plan;
- Flexible and family-friendly working hours;
- Interesting and varied range of tasks in an internationally oriented institute with a very good work environment.

The Max Planck Institute for Research on Collective Goods is an equal opportunity employer. Applications from women with the requisite qualifications and interests are particularly welcome. We strive for gender and diversity equality and welcome applications from all backgrounds. The Max Planck Society is also seeking to increase the number of employees with severe disabilities. Applications from such candidates will be given special consideration.

Further information about our team and the institute can be found at <http://www.coll.mpg.de>

Have we sparked your interest? If so, we look forward to receiving your application by 30 April 2021, via our application portal under the following link: <https://career.coll.mpg.de/en/jobposting/e244ae1c6b3975976fd47cd396f553fa418e2fd90/apply>

Please upload your documents (cover letter, CV, certificates) as a PDF on this page.

If you have any questions about experimental research at the institute before applying, please do not hesitate to contact the Executive Director, Professor Dr Matthias Sutter, informally: matthias.sutter@coll.mpg.de

A preliminary selection of candidates is planned virtually on **18 May 2021**. Depending on the COVID-19 situation, interviews at the institute in Bonn are tentatively scheduled for **1 June 2021**.



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