



WIFO is the leading institute for applied empirical economic research in Austria with a strong involvement in projects at the European and global level. The institute is independent of politics and business in its scientific activities and a non-profit organisation. WIFO's mission is to build a bridge between basic academic research and economic policy in order to contribute to tackling socio-economic challenges and to create sound foundations for decisions in business and society which require economic information. At the core of WIFO's bridging function are empirical analyses prepared with scientific diligence and integrity.

WIFO is looking for a

PhD candidate

Temporary position for a period of 4 years (30 h/week)

for the research topic **"Economic Sanctions in the Short, the Medium, and the Long-Run"**, funded by the OeNB Anniversary Fund.

What we offer

- Supervision by and collaboration with Professors Gabriel Felbermayr (Vienna) and Yoto Yotov (Philadelphia)
- Integration into the doctoral program of Vienna University of Economics and Business Administration (WU Vienna), into the Research Center International Economics (https://blog.fiw.ac.at) as well as into the WIFO career mentoring scheme
- Membership in the team that runs the Global Sanctions Data Base (globalsanctionsdatabase.com)
- Secondments and research stays at partner institutions in the US and Brussels

What you will need

- Completed master's degree in economics, statistics, quantitative political science or data science
- Interest in geoeconomics and quantitative economic modelling
- Basic knowledge of international economics and of econometrics, as well as programming skills would be an advantage
- Strong ability to cooperate in international and interdisciplinary teams
- Excellent command of English, willingness to learn German

What you will do

- Work on extending, preparing, and analyzing the Global Sanctions Data Base
- Econometric estimation of ex post effects and computable general equilibrium simulation of ex ante effects of economic sanctions
- Intensive collaboration in an international team of scholars
- Independent writing of texts for scientific publications and policy briefs
- Presentation of research results, e.g., at symposia and scientific conferences
- Completion of the required coursework towards completing the PhD Program at WU Vienna and writing of a doctoral thesis (cumulative) in the subject matter of the research project



Required application documents (please provide three separate PDF files for 1. to 3.)

- 1. Letter of Motivation
- 2. Curriculum Vitae
- 3. List of econometrics or data analysis seminars you have attended in the Master's program incl. grading (title, institution, grade, date)
- 4. If applicable: list of publications and/or writing samples

The salary corresponds to the FWF rate for doctoral candidates of currently \leq 2,300.30 gross per month (14 x per year). WIFO has set itself the goal of increasing the share of female scientists and therefore strongly invites women to apply. In case of equal qualifications, the position will be filled by the female applicant.

Desired starting date is April 1, 2023. If you are able to start earlier, this is also possible. If you are interested, please send your application with all the above-mentioned documents by February 27, 2023 by e-mail to Ms Birgit Novotny at personal@wifo.ac.at. If you have any questions in connection with your application, please contact Professor Gabriel Felbermayr at felbermayr@wifo.ac.at. We look forward to receiving your application.