

**ADAM MICKIEWICZ UNIVERSITY, POZNAN
ANNOUNCES
A COMPETITION
for the position of Postdoctoral Researcher (Post-Doc)**

at the Centre for Ius Commune, in the ERC Starting Grant project:

PetriUS: Petrification of ius commune through printed paratexts

Grant Agreement No. 101162091

Basic information

1. Research discipline (research field):

Law

2. Number of work hours per week, including a task-based work schedule:

Full time, 40 hours per week

3. Type of an employment contract and expected duration of employment, i.e.:

Full-time position, 6 months' probation period, 45 months in total

4. Anticipated job starting date:

1st December 2025

5. Workplace location:

Faculty of Law and Administration, Centre for Ius Commune, Collegium Rubrum, al. Niepodległości 53, 61-714 Poznań

6. Monthly salary:

- **ca 7 600 PLN** before taxation/monthly of basic salary + **ca 5 017 PLN** before taxation/monthly supplementary (project) remuneration: an average of **12 617 PLN** before taxation/monthly remuneration in total – for **team member** (defending a doctoral thesis up to 5 years before the current recruitment);
- **ca 7 600 PLN** before taxation/monthly of basic salary + **ca 6 450 PLN** before taxation/monthly supplementary (project) remuneration: an average of **14 050 PLN** before taxation/monthly remuneration in total – for an **experienced team member** (defending a doctoral thesis above 5 years before the current recruitment).

7. Application deadline and how to apply:

Those interested are requested to send the documents to the PI, dr Piotr Alexandrowicz by **13th October 2025, 23:59** (piotr.alexandrowicz@amu.edu.pl).

8. Required documents:

- 1) Application of the candidate (motivation letter);
- 2) *Curriculum Vitae*;

- 3) Diplomas or certificates issued by universities confirming education and degrees or academic title held (in the case of degrees obtained abroad - the documents must meet the equivalence criteria set out in Article 328 of the Law on Higher Education and Science of 20 July 2018 (Journal of Laws of 2024, item 1571, as amended).
- 4) Information on academic track record and achievements: publications, participation in research projects, international collaboration, research internships, awards and distinctions, teaching achievements, organizational achievements, conference presentations, reviewing and editorial activities, other.
- 5) Up to five major publications.
- 6) Two letters of recommendation from scholars representing two different institutions.
- 7) Consent to the processing of personal data of the following content : *In accordance with Article 6(1)(a) of the General Data Protection Regulation of 27 April 2016. (OJ EU L 119/1 of 4 May 2016) I consent to the processing of personal data other than: first name, (first names) and surname; parents' first names; date of birth; place of residence (mailing address); education; previous employment history, contained in my job offer for the purpose of the current recruitment.*

Conditions of the competition determined by the competition committee

I) Determination of qualifications: (researcher profile) according to the Euraxess guidelines

X (R2) Recognised Researcher (PhD holders or equivalent who are not yet fully independent)

II) Job Offer description

Postdoctoral Position in the Research Project **PetrIUS: Petrification of ius commune through printed paratexts**. The responsibilities of this position will include in general:

- Researching the printed paratexts in the *corpus iuris civilis*.
- Collecting and analyzing literature dedicated to printed paratexts.
- Contributing to the preparation of scholarly articles.
- Presenting research findings at conferences and academic seminars.
- Organizing seminars focused on the themes of the project.
- Cooperation within a research team (required work performance at the place of employment).

In particular, the postdoc will implement WP1 and WP5 in collaboration with the principal investigator:

WP1 Classification of types and functions of paratexts added to printed *corpora iuris*.

The tasks for the first year will include:

- literature review (in particular, the adaptation of the theoretical discussion on paratexts in literary studies and bibliography to the early modern printed legal books);
- overview of the sources and providing access to the sources which have not yet been digitized;
- initial periodization of the editions of the two *corpora* with reference to their paratextual development;
- first case studies documenting the development of selected types of paratexts;
- creation of the provisory framework for addressing paratexts – the preliminary classification of paratexts;
- consultations with experts.

In the second year, this WP will be influenced by the research initiated by other team members. The tasks will include:

- detailed descriptions of the types of paratexts;
- assessment on functions of paratexts as documented in the legal literature;
- further case studies presenting the development of selected paratexts;
- support for other team members in drafting their research agendas on paratexts;
- preparation of the list of editions of the two *corpora iuris* with the description of paratexts included.

WP5 Petrification of late medieval *ius commune* taking the form of printed paratexts in *corpora iuris*. In this core WP, the main task will be the assessment of the causes, dynamics, and effects of the petrification of late medieval *ius commune* via printed paratexts. Within this task, the leading hypothesis of PetrIUS will be verified. To this end, PI and Postdoc 1 will perform the following tasks:

- adjustment of initial observations on the types and functions of paratexts in the light of new data provided by WP2-4;
- study dedicated to the editors of paratexts in order to understand their objectives and methods applied by them in drafting the paratextual layer of the printed *corpora iuris*;
- research on the causes of preference given to the late medieval works over the current legal literature by the editors and printers in developing paratextual strata;
- query on the references to paratexts in the scholarship accompanying the attempts to prepare critical editions of the *corpora iuris*;
- detailed case studies illustrating how the changes in the initial forms of printed paratexts and afterward the termination of their fluidity manifested petrification of certain opinions and interpretations;
- research on the humanist paratexts and the attitude of legal humanists toward standard paratextual additions to the sources;
- detailed case studies to verify to what extent the leading late medieval scholars encapsulated in their opinions (later excerpted to create paratexts) the then-current *communis opinio* on selected issues of Roman and canon law;
- all of the above will require the collation of sources, their translation, interpretation, and contextualization, as well as examination of the sources against the background of current knowledge on law, legal doctrine and practice in the late Middle Ages and early modernity.

III) Requirements and qualifications

The call is open to individuals who meet the requirements specified in Article 113 of the Act of July 20, 2018, Law on Higher Education and Science (Journal of Laws 2024, item 1571 as amended), and who also meet the following requirements:

1. PhD in the humanities or social sciences (preferably in legal studies, especially legal history),
2. Interest in the history of law in the late medieval and early modern period, particularly in the history of Roman law (*ius commune*) and the history of legal book.
3. Familiarity with the methods necessary for carrying out the tasks of the postdoctoral position is required (legal history). Knowledge of methods typical of, book history, palaeography, and digital humanities will be considered an advantage.
4. Experience in conducting research on historical legal sources, confirmed by academic publications.
5. Excellent command of English and at least good command of one of the following languages: Italian, German, or French, as well as at least passive knowledge of Latin (documented through publications based on the analysis of Latin-language sources).
6. Excellent skills in project management and work organization (both individually and in coordinating others).
7. Ability to collaborate effectively within a research team.
8. Familiarity with computer programs necessary for academic research.

IV) Required languages

Excellent command of English and at least good command of one of the following languages: Italian, German, or French, as well as at least passive knowledge of Latin (documented through publications based on the analysis of Latin-language sources).

V) Required research experience

Experience in research and international collaboration are necessary. Contributions to other research projects will be considered a significant advantage. Teaching experience is not required.

VI) Benefits

- ✓ atmosphere of respect and cooperation
- ✓ support for employees with disabilities
- ✓ flexible working hours
- ✓ language learning subsidies
- ✓ funding for training and courses
- ✓ additional days off for education
- ✓ life insurance
- ✓ retirement plan
- ✓ savings-investment fund
- ✓ preferential loans
- ✓ additional social benefits
- ✓ recreation subsidies
- ✓ children's vacation subsidies
- ✓ "13th" salary

VII) Eligibility criteria

1. Academic achievements, in particular publications (20%):

- 5 pts – outstanding
- 4 pts – very good
- 3 pts – good
- 2 pts – average
- 1 pt – poor
- 0 pts – no academic achievements

2. Achievements resulting from conducting scientific research, including participation in research projects, international cooperation, research fellowships, awards and distinctions, teaching achievements, organizational achievements and other (20%):

- 5 pts – outstanding
- 4 pts – very good
- 3 pts – good
- 2 pts – average
- 1 pt – poor
- 0 pts – no achievements

3. Competence to carry out specific tasks in the research project, assessed e.g. during the interview (60%):

- 5 pts – excellent
- 4 pts – very good
- 3 pts – good
- 2 pts – average
- 1 pt – poor
- 0 pts – no competence

VIII) The selection process

1. The competition committee shall begin its work no later than 7 days after the application deadline.
2. Formal assessment of the submitted applications.
3. In the case of missing required documents, applicants will be asked to supplement the documentation or provide additional documents.
4. Selection of candidates for the interview stage.
5. Online interview with selected candidates who meet the formal requirements (to be held between 20 and 24 October 2025; the most likely date is 21 October 2025). The interview will cover candidates' responses to questions concerning the scope of responsibilities of the postdoctoral position, including a discussion of the source material that will be sent in advance to those invited to the interview.
6. The committee reserves the right to request external reviews of the candidates' academic achievements.

7. Announcement of the results by the chair of the competition committee and notification of the candidates about the outcome. The notification will include a justification and an indication of the candidates' strengths and weaknesses.

IX) Prospects for professional development

The Centre for Ius Commune at Adam Mickiewicz University based at the Faculty of Law and Administration is a dynamic hub for advanced legal history research. Extensive international cooperation and the implementation of both national and international research projects provide excellent conditions for the development of scholarly activity. Regularly organized academic seminars will offer opportunities for meaningful and intensive team-based research. A key advantage of working here is the collegial and supportive team environment, set in friendly and stable conditions. Moreover, the Legal History Journal (Czasopismo Prawno-Historyczne), published by the Faculty, serves as an important forum for academic discussion among legal historians. The Department, Faculty, and University also provide support for applying for research funding at both national and international levels.


GDPR Information Clause :

Pursuant to Article 13 of the General Data Protection Regulation of 27 April 2016. (Official Journal of the EU L 119 of 04.05.2016) we inform that:


1. The controller of your personal data is Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań with the official seat: ul. Henryka Wieniawskiego 1, 61 - 712 Poznań.
2. The personal data controller has appointed a Data Protection Officer overseeing the correctness of the processing of personal data, who can be contacted via e-mail: iod@amu.edu.pl.
3. The purpose of processing your personal data is to carry out the recruitment process for the indicated job position.
4. The legal basis for the processing of your personal data is Article 6(1)(a) of the General Data Protection Regulation of 27 April 2016 and the Labour Code of 26 June 1974. (Journal of Laws of 1998 N21, item 94 as amended).
5. Your personal data will be stored for a period of 6 months from the end of the recruitment process.
6. Your personal data will not be made available to other entities, with the exception of entities authorized by law. Access to your data will be given to persons authorized by the Controller to process them in the performance of their duties.
2. You have the right to access your data and, subject to the law, the right to rectification, erasure, restriction of processing, the right to data portability, the right to object to processing, the right to withdraw consent at any time.
3. You have the right to lodge a complaint to the supervisory authority - the Chairman of the Office for Personal Data Protection, ul. Stawki 2, 00 - 193 Warsaw.
4. Providing personal data is mandatory under the law, otherwise it is voluntary.
5. Your personal data will not be processed by automated means and will not be subject to profiling.

Procedure for Reporting Violations of the Law:

Recruitment: Positions and Competitions for Academic Teachers: Information on the internal reporting procedure referred to in the Act of 14 June 2024 on the Protection of Whistleblowers (Journal of Laws, item 928), announced by Regulation No. 5/2023/2024 of the Rector of Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań of 17 September 2024 concerning the introduction of the Internal Reporting Regulations regarding the breach of law and follow-up actions at Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań. Below are links to the regulation together with its annexes:

 [Ordinance No. 520232024.pdf](#)

 [Rules for submissions.pdf](#)

 [Information clause - whistleblowers.pdf](#)