

## Vacancy

We are looking for a

### Founding Manager of the EWI Research Initiative “Digital Energy Business” (m/f/d)

Full time position

Starting date: as soon as possible

The new EWI Research Initiative “Digital Energy Business” will be part of the Institute of Energy Economics at the University of Cologne (EWI). The Research Initiative aims at expanding our work in the area of digital energy business, in particular leveraging our competencies in energy economics, machine learning, and data-driven modelling.

Become a part of a vibrant team of researchers working on current topics around energy economics and energy regulation in a world of changing political and social conditions as well as new technologies.

#### Your role:

As the driving force behind the Research initiative you will define, plan, and manage research and consulting activities in the area of digital energy business. Given your background and keen interest in data science you will act as facilitator for innovative, creative projects to be implemented on the ground. On a strategic level you will support the Board in devising a strategy and roadmap for developing EWI’s footprint in the field of digital energy, and broadening the corresponding impact and funding base. In this context, you will also reach out to stakeholders, such as our extensive corporate network, the “Gründer- and Innovationszentrum Köln”, or start-ups. In this newly created position, you will be part of the EWI Management Team, and you will report directly to EWI’s Board of Management.

#### Your skills:

- Experience in scientific project management and execution (e.g. Scrum)
- Proven track-record of scientific (government-funded) project acquisition
- Strong academic background in data science, artificial intelligence, machine learning economics, operations management or a related quantitative field, as witnessed e.g. by an M.Sc. or PhD in a related subject
- Applied and/or scientific research experience in a data-driven domain, ideally related to energy, mobility, and sustainability
- Strong interest in energy, mobility, and sustainability related research and business problems
- Strong communication and networking skills
- Curious, open-minded, entrepreneurial

- Fundraising or startup experience would be a plus
- Fluency in English is expected, and German a plus

We, at EWI, consider ourselves a knowledge factory that aims at creating, disseminating and utilizing new knowledge about increasingly complex energy markets. We apply the latest economic methods in order to create the greatest possible gain in knowledge for science, energy policy and energy industry practice.

Registered as a not-for-profit organization, EWI stands for independent, practical and agenda-neutral research.

We are looking for bright, dedicated, and creative people who want to contribute to our mission of developing insights in relevant and current topics in energy markets.

Remuneration will be based on TVöD (collective civil service agreement).

Are you interested? Please send your application (motivation letter, CV) as one attachment referring to „Manager Digital Energy Business“ to

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