# Thanks to distribute this message to people who might be interested

Under the direction of Prof. Philippe Goujon (coordinator of the GREAT project)<sup>1</sup> the Laboratory for Ethical Governance of Information Technology (LEGIT) is hiring:

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#### TWO researchers

(36 months 100% - M/F and 20 months 100% M/F)

## From the beginning of February 2013

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Address: Laboratory for Ethical Governance of Information Technology Computer Sciences Department - FUNDP - Namur Belgium

Academic context: Two European Research projects -

the Governance of REsponsible innovATion (GREAT) project and the Global Model and Observatory for International Responsible Research and Innovation Coordination (RESPONSIBILITY) project.

The research to be undertaken lies within the scope of these two European projects. The projects will investigate responsible research innovation in EU with the goal of providing a framework for improved responsible research and innovation governance.

**THE GREAT PROJECT** will develop an empirically based and theoretically sound model of the role of responsible research and innovation governance. The project will explore the dynamics of participation in research and innovation, and investigate the characteristics of responsible innovation practices and governance. It will investigate the nature of new partnerships among various stakeholders, researchers and policymakers that are developing within innovation networks. It will examine the influence that these developments have on knowledge production and policy. This will be done by:

- determining the characteristics of research and innovation
- involving diverse groupings
- determining the social processes involved in responsible research and innovation practices. In doing so, the GREAT project will:
  - explore the knowledge and research potential of multi-stakeholder approaches in research;
  - investigate how responsible innovation is involved in research processes and
  - use this knowledge to inform policy makers on how to integrate responsible innovation in further research activities.

The RESPONSIBILITY PROJECT aims to create a network of stakeholders that would adopt and diffuse a common understanding of Responsible Research and Innovation (RRI) between different

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> http://www.fundp.ac.be/universite/personnes/page\_view/01005672/cv.html

actors in Europe and around the globe. It will develop a model and provide a tool for international cooperation, involving societal, policy and research stakeholders in these activities. It will provide a practical means and a structure for this crucial interaction between society and research. It will also provide a set of recommendations and tools to policy makers and active RRI stakeholders in order to take the necessary measures to nest responsible research and innovation in products and services from the very beginning (i.e., "efficient RRI by design").

**Researchers' work:** The researchers' work will include – Review of research innovation theories, analysis of their gaps and limits, development of an analytical grid, development of a sound theoretical approach to analyse, compare, evaluate and improve the practices of responsible research and innovation, determination of comprehensive model of responsible research and innovation practices, determination of gaps, participation to applied field study, editing of general reports for the Commission, and participation in the scientific general management of the project.

#### Qualifications

\_/\* A high level Ph.D. in areas such as philosophy or social sciences (with a good knowledge of innovation theory and governance approaches), with a strong interest in the problems involved in social integration, ethics and the governance of new technologies.

## **Necessary qualities**

- Available, open-minded;
- Scientific rigor and great motivation for research;
- Efficiency at work and capacity to understand theoretical developments;
- Perfect knowledge of PowerPoint;
- Perfect spoken and written English;
- The ability to work as part of a team;
- The ability to produce written material of publishable standard.

## **Research environment**

- Facultés universitaires Notre-Dame de la Paix http://www.fundp.ac.be/en/
- Computer sciences department http://www.fundp.ac.be/en/inf
- An international network of European labs that are expert in the field.

## **Procedure of recruitment**

- CV
- Interview (tel)and skype video
- Test.

CV and accompanying letter of motivation to be sent **urgently** by email and letter to:

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