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The **Orient-Institut Beirut (OIB)**, a research institute of the Max Weber Foundation, which is directly funded by the German government, is seeking to fill the position of

**research associate in Cairo,**

preferably from 1 October 2026. The position involves a 20-hour working week. The post is initially limited to one year and is renewable. It reports to the OIB-directorate in Beirut. The place of work is Cairo. Employment will be under an Egyptian contract and remuneration will be in accordance with the salary scale of the DAAD office in Cairo. For legal reasons, only Egyptian nationals or other nationalities with a work permit for Egypt may be employed.

**Requirements:**

- Master's degree in a subject relevant to the work of the OIB
- Research in the OIB's academic areas
- Knowledge of the Egyptian academic and higher-education landscape
- Experience in academic or cultural management in Egypt
- Excellent written and spoken Arabic and English
- Flexibility, independence and organisational skills; willingness to undertake further training as part of the role; experience working in international teams

**The following attributes are advantageous:**

- Ongoing or completed PhD
- Written and spoken German
- Ideas on how to expand the work of the OIB in Egypt and beyond
- Experience in submitting research grant applications

**Responsibilities:**

- Representing the OIB in Cairo
- Establishing and expanding academic networks
- Organising and managing the OIB's public events and conferences in Egypt
- Conducting independent research and integrating it into the OIB's academic programme
- Development and financial management of projects
- OIB-Cairo Office's scientific communications (website and social media)

The Max Weber Foundation is a family-friendly employer that places particular emphasis on the work-life balance.

We are committed to professional equality between women and men, as well as equal opportunities for people with severe disabilities. We value diversity and therefore welcome all applications regardless of nationality, ethnic or social background, religion or beliefs, age, or sexual orientation and identity.

For further inquiries, please contact Dr. Barbara Winckler (winckler@orient-institut.org).

Interviews are expected to take place online in early September 2026. Application documents (CV, cover letter, email addresses of referees) should be sent by 31 August 2026 to:

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