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PhD Student Position in Cognitive Psychology (action control research)

We seek a candidate for a doctoral student position at the Department of Cognitive Psychology at the University of Trier (lab of C. Frings) and partially at the University of Münster (lab of M. Lappe). The position (50% time) is to begin 1st of May, 2017 or later. The contract is limited to 3.5 years. Successful candidates can obtain a Ph.D. in Psychology. During the course of the project, the candidate will be expected to visit the lab at the University of Münster several times as to run eye-tracking experiments. Extra-travel expenses will be covered. The PhD candidate has to give one course/seminar per semester for BSc students (teaching can be in German or English) starting end of October 2017.

The focus of the project is on action control – comparing binding and retrieval mechanism across different effectors (hands vs. eyes) and across different action-time scales. In particular, we will analyze action control processes in variants of established experimental paradigms (negative priming, flanker tasks, etc.) while varying the type of effector which with participants have to respond. The methods to be used in the project thus comprise behavioral tasks in which we measure and compare responses via the hands/feet with responses via the eyes.

Applicants should have an interest in action and perception research. Experience with conducting experiments, knowledge of quantitative research methods, and ideally, programming skills (e.g., MATLAB, EPrime) and first experience with eye-tracking is helpful but not essential. A university degree (master or diploma) in psychology as well as very good English skills are required. German language skills are not needed for this position.

Applications should include a cover letter describing research interests and a potential thesis project, curriculum vitae, university transcripts. The preferred method of submission is PDF files e-mailed to the responsible principal investigator (C. Frings): chfrings@uni-trier.de