Are you interested in joining an exciting European Project on quality estimation for Machine Translation? Do you want to help advance the field by paving the way for a significant breakthrough in quality translation technology? Do you want to work in an innovative research environment?

The QTLaunchPad project is a support action (CSA) focused on collaborative research on high-quality MT with the ultimate goal of launching an international action dedicated to significantly advancing quality translation technology.

Within the context of this project, we are seeking a Research Fellow for **MT community building, outreach, public relations, and international MT challenge and workshop organisation and task evaluation**. Job duties also include coordination assistance for MT roadmap development, outreach to varied MT stakeholder and user communities, including industrial, national, and funding organisations in Europe. The post requires an experienced MT researcher with a keen interest in **longer term vision and mobilisation of the MT community, strong organisational skills, strong communication skills** and willingness to **engage in media activities**

This position provides an excellent opportunity for the candidate to further develop their career and to join a highly-regarded, dynamic and well-funded research centre in the area of language technology research. The successful candidate will become part of the existing research team based at DCU, joining one of the world’s largest academic MT research groups comprising over 20 researchers. The team’s location at DCU, just minutes from Dublin city centre, offers a conducive environment to research, collaboration and innovation with a wealth of amenities on campus, including restaurants, the state-of-the-art University Sports Complex and swimming pool and the Helix, one of Ireland’s most impressive arts venues with three separate auditoria.

**Principle Duties and Responsibilities**

Reporting to the Principal Investigator the **Research Fellow** will:
- Conduct a specified programme of research and infrastructure development under the supervision and direction of the Principal Investigator (and according to work plans as specified within the QTLaunchPad project) and/or Senior Research staff
- Take a lead role within the QTLaunchPad project, particularly in the areas of communication, mobilisation and international outreach.
- Assist in identifying and developing future research and funding initiatives
- Engage in the dissemination of the results of the research in which he/she is engaged with the support of and under the supervision of the Principal Investigator
- Liaise with both internal and external stakeholders including industry and academic partners/collaborators within the project focusing on mobilisation of these stakeholders
- Engage in appropriate training and development opportunities as required by the Principal Investigator, the School or Research Centre, or the University.
- Carry out administrative work associated with the programme of research as and where necessary (e.g. deliverable and milestone reporting).

**Minimum Criteria**

Applicants for the position of Research Fellow must have a PhD in a relevant discipline (Machine Translation, Natural Language Processing) and a minimum of 4 years relevant postdoctoral research experience or equivalent at Level 1 of the Research Career Framework. In addition applicants must also have very strong communication and organisational skills.

As part of this role the successful candidate shall be required to participate in the DCU Research Career Framework. This framework is designed to provide significant professional development opportunities to Researchers and offer the best opportunities in terms of a wider career path.

**Candidates will be assessed on the following competencies**

**Discipline knowledge and Research skills** – Demonstrates knowledge of a research discipline and the ability to conduct a specific programme of research within that discipline.

**Understanding the Research Environment** – Demonstrates an awareness of the research environment (for example funding bodies) and the ability to contribute to grant applications

**Communicating Research** – Demonstrates the ability to communicate research with their peers and the wider research community in order to mobilise and engage them.

**Managing & Leadership skills** - Demonstrates the potential to manage a research project in particular the management of external stakeholders

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Salary and scale appointment subject to experience and qualifications

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