PREDOCTORAL FELLOWS

Vitznau, Switzerland – July 1, 2027

The Lake Lucerne Institute (LLUI) in Vitznau (Switzerland) is an independent, non-profit research and education institute based in Vitznau, Switzerland. Founded in 2022, LLUI combines cutting-edge research in health and finance with innovative teaching formats, working closely with academic and industry partners.

The Department of Wealth Creation at the Lake Lucerne Institute (LLUI Wealth) aims to fill vacancies for Predoctoral Fellow positions. The appointments are for a term of two years.

1.1 Background

LLUI Wealth is committed to advancing high-impact research that meets the rigorous standards of top-tier academic journals in economics and finance. Additionally, it maintains strong connections with the asset management industry, ensuring its research is practical and highly relevant to the financial sector.

As a Predoctoral Fellow, you will join LLUI's Department of Wealth Creation, work with its team, and be supervised by four affiliated faculty members: Michael Weber, Francesco D'Acunto, Andreas Neuhierl, and Alberto Rossi. They are leading empirical researchers specializing in asset pricing, investments, and behavioral finance. Their work focuses on cutting-edge areas in finance and economics such as big data analytics, machine learning, and behavioral and cognitive finance.

1.2 Your Role

- Support ongoing research projects and faculty by gathering, compiling, processing, and organizing large datasets
- Obtain and organize information for research from other academic institutions and practitioners
- Proofread and edit citations of funded research reports, working papers, and publications
- Maintain effective communication with all members of the faculty and external collaborators
- Support the organization of the department's conferences, workshops, and PhD summer school

1.3 Your Profile

- Bachelor's or Master's degree in Economics, Finance, Behavioral Sciences, or related fields (to be obtained before July 1, 2027)
- Strong quantitative background and analytical skills
- Proficiency in conducting statistical analyses

- Familiarity with at least one statistical software or language employed in data analysis (e.g., Python)
- Previous research experience is an advantage
- Fluency in English is required; German language skills are an advantage

1.4 Workplace

All research activities are conducted in English. The primary workplace is Vitznau (Switzerland), with the flexibility to work remotely up to one day per week.

1.5 What We Offer

The position provides an excellent training environment for candidates considering a future PhD in economics, finance, or related fields.

LLUI Wealth provides a vibrant research environment with ample resources. LLUI Wealth regularly hosts leading international academics at its conferences, workshops, PhD summer school, and internal seminar series.

1.6 We are committed to equality

LLUI is committed to equality in general and gender equality in particular. We welcome applications from all qualified candidates regardless of origin, gender, age, or background. Our commitments are set out in our Gender Equality Plan.

1.7 Application

The positions are available from July 1, 2027, though other dates may be considered. Salary and benefits are competitive. Please contact Felix von Meyerinck (felix.vonmeyerinck@llui.org) with any questions you may have.

Please send your complete application (CV, cover letter, transcripts, and two references) to jobs.wealth.predoc@llui.org. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. Incomplete applications or applications that do not match the published profile will not be considered.