



[PhD position on the neurobiology of reference](#)

The position is available at the Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics beginning September 2017, embedded within the Neurobiology of Language department.

Candidates should have, or shortly expect to obtain, a high quality scientific degree in the cognitive neurosciences, cognitive science, experimental psychology, or psycholinguistics. Preference will be shown for candidates with advanced technical skills or an affinity for acquiring them, and who are interested in applying those skills to fundamental questions about language. We seek exceptional students with a talent and inclination for first class research. Candidates should have an excellent written and spoken command of English.

The successful candidate will be affiliated with the Neurobiology of Language department (Prof. Dr. P. Hagoort). The project will be supervised by Dr. Mante Nieuwland (<http://www.mpi.nl/people/nieuwland-mante>) and focuses on the neurobiology of reference during language processing, using neuroimaging tools (EEG/MEG/fMRI) to reveal the Memory and Unification processes that allow people to establish reference. The candidate will be part of the *International Max Planck Research School for Language Sciences* (<http://www.mpi.nl/education/imprs-for-language-sciences>), which will provide a tailor-made set of education and training opportunities.

For enquiries, contact Mante Nieuwland - mante.nieuwland@mpi.nl

Deadline: May 1st 2017. To apply, write to Carolin.Lorenz@mpi.nl, Your application should include your CV, the names and e-mail addresses of two referees, and a letter of application that includes a brief statement of your research interests (maximally 500 words), where you describe your research experience and potential research plans regarding the neurobiology of reference you might want to pursue in your PhD project.

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