



UNIVERSITY
OF COLOGNE

Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences

Scientific Coordinator (f/m/x) for the new Cluster of Excellence „Our Dynamic Universe“ (f/m/x)

Physics Institute, University of Cologne

We are one of the largest and oldest universities in Europe and one of the most important employers in our region. Our broad range of subjects, the dynamic development of our main research areas and our central location in Cologne make us attractive for students and researchers from around the world. We offer a wide range of career opportunities in science, technology, and administration.

The Universities of Cologne and Bonn, the MPI for Radio Astronomy, and the FZ Jülich are establishing the new Cluster of Excellence “Our Dynamic Universe”. The coordination is located at the I. Physics Institute in Cologne.

YOUR TASKS

Scientific coordination of the Cluster of Excellence and all related tasks, including:

- » Preparation of scientific content (e.g. from astrophysics) for popular science purposes, websites, etc
- » Creative development and implementation of new formats for scientific collaboration and communication
- » Organization of conferences, collaboration meetings, workshops, colloquia, and similar events
- » Support in preparing scientific funding proposals
- » Independent coordination and close collaboration within the team

YOUR PROFILE

- » You hold a degree (Master's, Doctorate, or PhD) in physics, astronomy, or a related field
- » You have a broad interest in astronomy and data sciences
- » You are creative, responsible, and able to work independently as well as in a team
- » You have experience in creating and maintaining websites
- » You possess excellent communication skills
- » You are fluent in spoken and written German and English
- » You have knowledge of LaTeX
- » Ideally, you already have experience coordinating large projects, organizing conferences or workshops, and preparing scientific funding applications

WE OFFER

- » A versatile scientific position within the new Cluster of Excellence
- » A diverse working environment with equal opportunities
- » Support in balancing work and family life
- » Flexible working time models, full-time positions suitable for job sharing
- » Extensive advanced training opportunities
- » Occupational health management offers
- » Opportunity to work remotely

The University of Cologne promotes equal opportunities and diversity. Women will be considered preferentially in accordance with the Equal Opportunities Act of North Rhine-Westphalia (Landesgleichstellungsgesetz – LGG NRW). We also expressly welcome applications from all suitable candidates regardless of their gender, nationality, ethnic and social origin, religion, disability, age, sexual orientation and identity.

The position is available from 1 January 2026 on a full-time basis (39,83 hours per week). The position is to be filled for a fixed term until 31 December 2032. If the applicant meets the relevant wage requirements and personal qualifications, the salary will be based on remuneration group 13 TV-L of the pay scale for the German public sector.

Please apply online with proof of the required qualifications without a photo under: <https://jobportal.uni-koeln.de>.

The reference number is Wiss2510-05. The application deadline is 30 October 2025.

For further inquiries, please contact Professor Stefanie Walch-Gassner (walch@phl.uni-koeln.de) and take a look at our [FAQs](#).



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