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Doctoral Researcher Position (m/f/d)

Magnetocaloric films for thermal micro energy harvesting

The Institute of Metallic Materials at the Leibniz Institute for Solid State and Materials Research Dresden (IFW Dresden) offers a PhD position in the field of “Magnetocaloric films for thermal micro energy harvesting” starting from May 2019.

Project description:

We are looking for a PhD student interested in the development of better magnetocaloric films for more energy efficient thermomagnetic generators, which represent a new approach for the conversion of thermal to electric energy. This work focuses on film deposition, analysis of structure, microstructure and thermomagnetic properties, as well as understanding & optimizing functional properties. It is part of a joint DFG project with KIT, where these films will be used to build thermomagnetic micro-generators. Accordingly, interdisciplinary collaborations are possible.

This work is embedded in the research group “Functional magnetic films”, which examines magnetocaloric, multicaloric, (magnetic) shape memory and hard magnetic films for energy applications like magnetocaloric refrigeration and thermomagnetic generators.

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See also: <https://www.ifw-dresden.de/ifw-institutes/imw/>

Your profile:

You should have a master degree or diploma in material science, physics or micro-technology. Knowledge and interest on magnetocaloric materials, Heusler alloys or thin films are welcome. The successful candidate is open-minded, curious and ready to work in a strongly interdisciplinary environment. Good communication skills in written and spoken English are required.

We offer:

The employment contract is primarily limited to 12 months and will be extended by another 2 years upon a successful mid-term evaluation. The salary is based upon the TV-L rules (E13; 50%)

The institute promotes the professional equality between all genders. In science, the IFW Dresden would like to increase the proportion of woman. Qualified women are therefore explicitly invited to apply. Equally qualified handicapped applicants will be given preference.

Your application:

Please send your application (in English or German) including a cover letter with motivational statement, CV, copies of certificates and other relevant material (if applicable) quoting the reference number **DM2103-2-MicroTMG/2019** in a single PDF file exclusively to: bewerbung@ifw-dresden.de
Deadline for applications: **28 February 2019**