2018-00239 - [NEO] Post-Doctoral Researcher in Complex Network Analysis

**Contract type**: Public service fixed-term contract  
**Renewable contract**: Oui  
**Level of qualifications required**: PhD or equivalent  
**Function**: Post-Doctoral Research Visit  
**Level of experience**: Recently graduated

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Context

PostDoc Opening at Inria Sophia Antipolis, France  
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at Team NEO  
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This position is within the framework of the joint laboratory Inria - Qwant Search Engine.

Assignment

**Topic**: Asynchronous distributed computation of network centrality measures

**Resume**:  
We shall study asynchronously distributed methods (see e.g., [1,2,3]) for network centrality computation.  
The asynchronous distributed methods are very useful because they allow efficient and flexible use of computational resources on one hand (e.g., using cluster or cloud) and on the other hand they allow quick local update of centrality measures without the need to recompute it from scratch.  
As a case study, we start with PageRank [6] and then extend the methods to other centrality measures, in particular, to the centrality measure similar to betweenness centrality [4,5]. At the moment, there is no efficient asynchronous distributed algorithms for centrality computation. Most existing distributed approaches are not asynchronous.

Related references:

General Information

- **Theme/Domain**: Stochastic approaches  
  Statistics (Big data) (BAP E)  
- **Town/city**: Sophia Antipolis  
- **Inria Center**: CRI Sophia Antipolis - Méditerranée  
- **Starting date**: 5/2/18  
- **Duration of contract**: 12 months  
- **Deadline to apply**: 4/30/18

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Conditions for application

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Main activities

The main activity is writing journal and conference papers with possibility of patenting algorithms.

Skills

Requirements:

PhD in Mathematics, Computer Science, Electrical Engineering or Physics;
Solid background in Linear Algebra, Probability and Statistics is expected;
Experience in machine learning is a plus;
Knowledge of python is another plus.

Benefits package

- Subsidised catering service
- Partially-reimbursed public transport
- Social security
- Paid leave
- Flexible working hours
- Sports facilities

Remuneration

Gross Salary: 2650 brutto per month