2018-00266 - Extension of a collaborative platform for managing citizen debates

**Contract type:** Public service fixed-term contract  
**Level of qualifications required:** Graduate degree or equivalent  
**Fonction:** Temporary scientific engineer  
**Level of experience:** Recently graduated

**About Inria**

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**Context**

The engineer position takes place in the context of a collaboration with the startup Bluenove (http://bluenove.com/).

Bluenove develops the collaborative platform Assembl to manage citizen debates about societal issues. The collaboration with the INRIA team Almanach aims to extend Assembl with intelligent modules for a better management and exploitation of the discussions. These modules will in particular rely on fine-grained linguistic analysis of the discussions using NLP tools and will need to be integrated within Assembl.

**Assignment**

**Assignments:**

The main objectives of the position are:

- to facilitate the integration of NLP and AI modules within Assembl (clean APIs, access to forum data and external data [linked data, data streams, aggregators], communication with participants and moderators)
- to participate to the evaluation of several technologies, for example for managing chatbots or for using speech recognition
- to help the INRIA-Bluenove post-doctorant in software developments and experimentations.
- to progressively integrate the first modules in production mode for a few test debates
- to get feedback from the participants about these modules.

**Collaboration:**

The recruited person will work in close interaction with the postdoctorant recruited for the INRIA-Bluenove collaboration, but also with the development teams at Bluenove and with some members of the Almanach team (in particular Eric de la Clergerie).

**Main activities**

**Examples of activities:**

- Analyse the requirements of [partners, clients, users]
- Propose *** solutions for ***
- Develop programs/applications/interfaces of ***
- Design experimental platforms
- Write documentation
- Write reports
- Write
- Test, change up until validation
- Distribute the *** to **** via ****
- Provide user training for the service's main clients
- Lead a user community
- Present the works' progress to partners, ****to an audience of financiers ****
- Other ****

Skills

Technical skills and level required:

- Excellent programming skills, specially on WEB technologies
  - Javascript/CSS frameworks, [SQL] databases, WEB APIs [REST, websockets, ...], XML/RDF
- Knowledge in NLP and/or Machine Learning
- Knowledge of Python and/or Perl

Languages: good level in French or English

Relational skills: working with a team

Other valued appreciated:

Benefits package

- Subsidised catering service
- Partially-reimbursed public transport

Remuneration

Defence Security:

This position is likely to be situated in a restricted area (ZRR), as defined in Decree No. 2011-1425 relating to the protection of national scientific and technical potential (PPST). Authorisation to enter an area is granted by the director of the unit, following a favourable Ministerial decision, as defined in the decree of 3 July 2012 relating to the PPST. An unfavourable Ministerial decision in respect of a position situated in a ZRR would result in the cancellation of the appointment.