Research Associate in the Field of Polymer Gears for Innovative Powertrain Systems (m/f/d)

The Gear Research Center (FZG) at the Technical University of Munich (TUM) under direction of Prof. Dr.-Ing. K. Stahl is offering a full-time Research Associate (m/f/d) position on the topic of polymer gears for innovative powertrain systems.

Our Profile
The Gear Research Center (FZG) is the competence center for powertrain technology at the Technical University of Munich (TUM). The focus of our research is the development of methods and reliable predictions regarding the service life, efficiency, and vibration behavior (NVH) of machine elements, such as gears. Our research projects range from theoretical basic work to very application-oriented experimental work - often in cooperation with worldwide industrial partners. Our key research fields include:

- Electromechanical powertrain systems, e.g. for e-mobility
- Efficiency, dynamics and load-carrying capacity of gears and complete powertrain systems
- Alternative sustainable materials, lubricants, and manufacturing processes

Your Responsibilities
At the moment, there is a great need for research in the field of polymer gears. Due to their properties, like low-costs, lightweight, and low-friction, polymers as an alternative gear material are becoming increasingly important in industrial practice. Even in power-transmitting applications such as micro-mobility, like e-bikes or small electric vehicles, polymer gears are gradually replacing conventional steel gears, due to their high potential in terms of efficiency and sustainability. However, compared to steel gears, research into polymer gears is still at the beginning. Therefore, FZG is currently preparing various research projects in the field of polymer gears with different focuses. These include theoretical and experimental research activities with innovative polymer materials and sustainable lubricants as well as the design of complete powertrain systems under consideration of polymer gears. One part of your job will be to work on these research projects in collaboration with national and international partners. In addition, the work also includes the following aspects:

- Opportunity to participate in university teaching and acquire fundamental knowledge in the field of machine elements and powertrain technology
- Initial management experience by supervising student assistants and their research projects
- Publication in scientific journals
- Presentation of your results to a professional audience

Your Qualifications
- Above-average Master's degree in mechanical engineering, chemical engineering, materials science or comparable subjects
- Enjoy innovatively, powertrain technology topics
- Interest in independent project management
- Independent and determined way of working with strong communication and teamwork skills
- Good German language skills are required
- Knowledge of English or Mandarin beneficial

**Your Benefits**
- Full-time position as research associate (m/f/d) (salary according to the German TV-L scale for civil servants level E13)
- Opportunity for a PhD
- Large network of international industry partners and thus potential future employers
- Participation in international conferences
- Opportunity for further qualifications (also interdisciplinary, e.g. leadership, personal development, rhetoric)
- Flexible working and home office
- Highly motivated young team

We are looking for a highly motivated and qualified full-time Research Associate (m/f/d) for an initial duration of 3 years (with a possibility for extensions). The position is available right now.

**How to Apply**
Join our young, dynamic team and experience multifaceted and practical research in close cooperation with partners from worldwide. Qualified applicants are invited to send their application documents (CV, certificates and any other relevant papers) to:

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