



## Heidelberg Academy of Sciences and Humanities

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The Heidelberg Academy of Sciences and Humanities is a non-university research institution in Heidelberg, Germany. It conducts basic research with a focus on cultural studies and humanities with more than twenty research projects and over 200 employees.

The research project “**Hindu Temple Legends in South India**” is inviting applications for the following full-time position:

### **Postdoctoral Scholar in Indology (f/m/d)**

The long-term research project “Hindu Temple Legends in South India” is committed to producing digital editions and annotated translations of the corpus of Sanskrit and Tamil mythological texts (*sthalamāhātmyas/ talapurāṇams*) relating to the South Indian city of Kanchipuram. The project will commence in September 2022 and is scheduled to run until 2037.

#### **Your tasks:**

- Preparation of a digital edition of an assigned Sanskrit text (the Śaiva *Kāñcīmāhātmya*)
- Producing an annotated English translation of the text
- Collaboration with the postdoctoral scholar working on the Tamil parallel text (the *Kāñcippurāṇam*).
- Active participation in collaborative project activities
- Conducting individual research on topics related to or arising from the project.

#### **Your profile:**

- Completed PhD in Indology or a closely related field
- Strong background in Sanskrit philology
- Knowledge of Tamil (classical and/or modern) or willingness to learn Tamil
- Experience in the field of scholarly editing and manuscriptology
- Familiarity with the methods of digital editing or willingness to become familiar with them
- Interest in collaborative research
- Knowledge of German is an additional asset.

The position is remunerated according to salary group E13 TV-L. The appointment is initially limited to 31.12.2025, but may be extended based on positive evaluation. Successful candidates are expected to work from Heidelberg.

The Heidelberg Academy of Sciences and Humanities stands for equal opportunities and diversity. Qualified female candidates are especially invited to apply. Persons with severe disabilities will be given preference if they are equally qualified.

The application deadline is 30.9.2022. Please send your application (including a cover letter, curriculum vitae, a list of publications, and a copy of PhD certificate) via e-mail (in a single PDF document) to the project leader, Prof. Dr. Ute Hüsken, [huesken@uni-heidelberg.de](mailto:huesken@uni-heidelberg.de).

Inquiries related to the position can be directed to the same e-mail address.