



Call for DIT Academics

Design Impact Transition (DIT) platform – space for transformative and transdisciplinary work

DIT platform is a strategic EUR initiative that empowers new ways to do research, education and engagement in support of societal transitions. DIT develops new institutional conditions and designs to strengthen transdisciplinary and impact-oriented academic work, based on collaboration, engagement and academic entrepreneurship. We are looking for EUR academics who want to work with us on societal challenges and help the transition of EUR to an impact-oriented university.

So far, we have DIT academics like [Julia Wittmayer](#), who works on transformative research and its scientific and methodological basis, or [Ana Vasques](#) who works on transformative education in theory and practice. [Yogi Hendlin](#) develops a community and vision on sustainability in academics and at our university. And we have [Mariangela Lavanga](#) working on new forms of transformative engagement and the sustainability transition in fashion industries.

Who are we looking for?

To address the global societal challenges we are facing, we need to change the way in which our systems work, including the way we do research and the way we educate the future generation. In the EUR Strategy the need for new engagement of science in society and our academic responsibility to support positive societal impact are central. However, there are academic and institutional barriers to effectively collaborate across Schools, to work interdisciplinarity and integrate different types of knowledge.

We are looking for talented mid-career EUR academics who are not currently receiving enough space, time, or appreciation for the impactful and engaging research they would like to do or are now conducting primarily in their spare time. Do you have ambitions and ideas to work in and with practice on just, sustainability futures? Do you work on transforming research and education to be more inclusive or transformative? Or do you bring together diverse types of knowledge and challenge disciplinary boundaries? Then consider turning your ambitions and engagement into an academic assignment with DIT.

What do we offer?

DIT will help you formulate and execute your transformative academic assignment and support you in the development of your impact career pathway. We offer a safe, inspiring and challenging work environment where you can experiment to the fullest, collaborate with like-minded colleagues and contribute to the necessary transitions society and the university

are facing. We work together based on trust, entrepreneurial transdisciplinarity and social engagement. You get all the freedom and also all the responsibility needed to realise impact.

The DIT assignment aligns with your current position at an EUR School and will fund a minimum of 0,2 FTE (on an internal secondment basis) at DIT for one year with the possibility of an extension.

We have room for at least 4 new DIT Academic positions representing ESE, ESL, RSM, ESHPM and/or ESSB, but are open to explore additional possibilities.

Interested?

Please send us a short motivation letter outlining why you would like to join DIT. Describe your transformative research idea or a socially relevant research question you would like to work on. Or outline how you would like to contribute from your position and expertise to the institutional change that DIT aims to achieve.

Want to first learn more about what exactly a DIT Academic position entails? Get in touch with DIT Academic Julia Wittmayer at j.m.wittmayer@drift.eur.nl. If you would first like to learn more about DIT, please contact DIT's organisational lead Marieke de Wal at mwal@rsm.nl. You can also send your motivation letter to Marieke.

For more information about DIT platform, our narrative of change, our team and our activities please visit our [website](#).