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As part of a research project on the protection of geographical indications, the Department of Intellectual Property and Competition Law under the direction of Prof. Dr. Reto M. Hilty is currently looking at the earliest possible date for a

**Junior Research Fellow**

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- In-depth knowledge of European and international intellectual property law with an emphasis on trade mark law and the law of other signs used in commerce
- Very good communication skills in English or German (spoken and written) with a good understanding of the other language

**Your responsibilities**

- Academic work in research project on the protection of geographical indications (with the possibility of an independent doctorate)
- Comparative legal analysis of EU-wide and foreign regulations on the protection of geographical indications and their connection to trade marks, was well as market-related questions (e.g. competition and consumer law)
- Collaboration on empirical studies and data evaluation

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