

**Chief Archivist/Principal Information Scientist
Vera and Donald Blinken Open Society Archives**

Starting date:	As soon as possible
Application deadline:	Open-ended, review to begin June 1, 2019
Full Or Part Time:	Full time
Location:	Budapest

The Vera and Donald Blinken Open Society Archives (OSA) at Central European University (CEU) invites applications for the Chief Archivist/Principal Information Scientist position. Blinken OSA (www.osaarchivum.org), one of the most important Cold War and human rights archives in the world, is looking for a highly talented, innovative, socially committed and technologically skilled person with foresight and impeccable integrity.

Blinken OSA wants to make an exciting appointment that allows the Archives to hire someone **either** with requisite academic degrees in the humanities or information science, **or** relevant practical experience, in a university, corporate or NGO setting, in digital and information technologies.

Blinken OSA is part of Central European University (www.ceu.edu), one of the most multinational graduate institutions in Europe, engaged primarily in the humanities and social sciences. Blinken OSA is a complex institution of memory that supports scholarship, is engaged in research, is the initiator of high visibility public programs, and is in charge of the Evidentiary and Documentary Practices specialization at the History and Legal Studies Departments at CEU.

Blinken OSA hopes to attract an unusual intellectual who is ready to experiment and to take calculated professional and intellectual risks; who is passionate about new archival and library theories, technologies, trends in digital media, digital humanities, and open access; and who is highly knowledgeable about emerging IT solutions.

The ideal candidate either works in the field of information technology, but has a deep interest in the philosophy of science, cognitive science, network science or a related field; **or** works in the humanities or the social sciences, but possesses wide-ranging knowledge of information technology or computer science and data management.

Duties and responsibilities:

The Chief Archivist/Principal Information Scientist supervises the professional staff, works closely together with and reports to the Director of Blinken OSA, and represents the Archives at professional bodies and fora.

The successful candidate will have a senior position in Blinken OSA and will take part in research and teaching.

The Archives is working on new technologies and methodologies in authenticating documents and historical and forensic evidence. The Chief Archivist/Principal Information Scientist guides and advocates for the ongoing development of physical and digital collections, services, and programs to the Central European University community and the Open Society Foundations (OSF) Network globally. S/he will be one of the intellectual leaders of the institution in charge of developing new intellectual and academic directions. OSA is a free and flexible institution that is able and ready to experiment with bold new solutions and look for untried intellectual and professional directions.

Qualifications:

- **Either** graduate degree in information technology or archival/library science, with demonstrated knowledge and interest in social sciences and humanities or graduate degree in social sciences or humanities, with demonstrated knowledge and interest in information technology and archival/library science **or** demonstrated qualities needed for innovation in this highly responsible position;
- Experience working in a challenging position at an archival or memory institution;
- Demonstrated skills to effectively supervise and lead the work of an international team of professionals;
- Proof of innovative leadership in an academic-archival setting;
- A persuasive and evolving record of intellectual accomplishments
- Good interpersonal and management skills
- User-oriented approach, as demonstrated by public programming, user education, and other community outreach activities
- Proficiency in English; knowledge of another language of OSA's main collections is an advantage: Russian, Polish, Hungarian, Czech, Slovak, Romanian, or Bulgarian

Compensation

We offer a competitive salary that is commensurate with experience as well as a dynamic and international academic environment. The initial contract is for 2 years with the possibility of renewal.

How to apply:

Applicants need to submit:

- CV
- Cover letter
- Contact information for two referees

Informal inquiries may be addressed to gadoros@ceu.edu.

Please send your complete application package to:

advert018@ceu.edu - including job code in subject line: **2019/018**

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