



Senior Researcher - Machine Learning Scientist

Job Offer	
Topics:	The Basque Center for Applied Mathematics - BCAM, is looking for a Machine Learning Scientist to join the Machine Learning (ML) group, and work under the supervision of Dr. Novi Quadrianto.
	We are offering a unique opportunity for a motivated individual to join the Basque Center for Applied Mathematics (BCAM) as a Research Fellow.
	We are looking for a Machine Learning Scientist to carry out activities in the TANGO project, funded by Horizon Europe.
	In particular, the researcher should be able to develop reliable models with fairness and bias considerations and translate those reliable models into ethical and reliable decision making. The specific emphasis will be on neuro- symbolic machine learning models. The researcher should interact with other researchers in the consortium (21 partner organizations from 9 European countries) and validate the model results on several case studies including supporting loan officers and applicants in credit lending decision processes and helping public policy makers in designing incentives and allocating funds. The researcher will work in a multidisciplinary environment and be part of the BCAM Severo Ochoa Strategic Lab on Trustworthy Machine Learning (a joint research lab between BCAM - Spain and University of Sussex - UK).
	Artificial Intelligence (AI) holds tremendous potential to enhance human decisions and to avoid cognitive overload and bias in high-stakes scenarios. To date, however, adoption of AI- based support systems has been minimal in settings such as hospitals, tribunals and public administrations.
	TANGO argues that in order for AI to fully develop its enormous potential in terms of positive impact on individuals, society and economy, we need to completely rethink the way in which AI systems are conceived. People should feel they can trust the systems they interact with, in terms of reliability of their predictions and decisions,





	capacity of the systems to understand their needs, and guarantees that they are genuinely aiming at supporting them rather than some undisclosed third party. In other words, a symbiosis should be established between humans and machines, in which all parties are aligned in terms of values, goals and beliefs, and support and complement each other so as to reach objectives beyond what each would be able to do by itself. The potential impact on individuals and society of the TANGO framework will be evaluated on a pool of real-world use cases of extremely high social impact, namely supporting women during pregnancy and postpartum, supporting surgical teams in intraoperative decision making, supporting loan officers and applicants in credit lending decision processes, and helping public policy makers in designing incentives and allocating funds. The success of these case studies will foster the adoption of TANGO as the framework of reference for developing a new generation of synergistic Al systems, and will strengthen the leadership of Europe in human-centric AI. Partnership - Among the 21 partner organisations there are universities, research centres, institutions, foundations, and companies from 9 European countries. 7 are from Italy (the University of Trento, which is also the coordinator of the network, and the University of Pisa, the National Research Council, Scuola Normale Superiore, Fondazione Bruno Kessler, U- Hopper srl, Intesa Sanpaolo), 4 from Serbia (the AI Research and Development Institute, SHARE Foundation, the A11 - Initiative for Economic and Social Rights, the Ministry of Family Welfare and Demography), 2 from the University of Warwick), 2 from Belgium (the Center for European Policy Studies, EIT Digital), 2 for Germany (University Hospital Heidelberg, TU Darmstadt) and one each from France (Université Paris Cité), Ireland (Carr Communications), Sweden (Surgical Science Sweden AB) and Spain (Basque Center for Applied Mathematics).
PI in charge:	Novi Quadrianto
Salary and conditions:	The gross annual salary of the Fellowship will be 39.140€ - 42.848€ according to experience.





	It will then be on your own responsibility to make your yearly income declaration at the Bizkaia Treasury Agency. Additionally, we offer a moving allowance up to 4.000€.
	Should the researcher have a family at the time of recruitment:
	 3.000€ gross in a single payment will be offered (you must be married- official register or with children and the certificate to prove it must be sent).
	 1.200€ gross per year/per child (up to 2 children) will be offered (the certificate to prove it must be sent).
Contract and offer:	1 + 1 year
Deadline:	30/09/2024 14:00 CET
How to apply:	Applications must be submitted on-line at: https://joboffers.bcamath.org/

Scientific Profile Requested		
Requirements:	 Promising researchers. Applicants must have their PhD completed in Machine Learning or equivalent experience and/or qualifications. 	
Skills and track-record:	 Demonstrated ML Expertise, in researching, training, deploying, and optimizing ML techniques, desirably, this includes LLMs. The ability to work independently, with a high degree of self-motivation, including the organizational skills to manage projects. Fluency in spoken and written English. 	





Scientific Profile:	 The preferred candidate will have: Knowledge in algorithmic bias and fairness, neuro-symbolic models is desired. Strong programming skills, with proficiency in Rust, Python, PyTorch. Experience using software engineering tools and processes including version control, agile tooling (e.g. Jira, GitHub Projects), code reviews and pull requests.
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Application and Selection Process	
Formal Requirements:	The selected candidate must have applied before the application deadline online at the webpage <u>https://joboffers.bcamath.org/</u> The candidates that do not fulfil the mandatory requirements will not be evaluated with respect to their scientific profile. Additional documents could be requested during the evaluation process so as to check this fulfilment.
Application:	Required documents: CV Letter of interest 2 recommendation letters Statement of past and proposed future research (2-3 pages)
Evaluation:	Based on the provided application documents of each candidate, the evaluation committee will evaluate qualitatively: the adaption of the previous training and career to the profile offered, the recommendation letters, the main results achieved (papers, proceedings, etc.), the statement of past and proposed future research and other merits; taking in account the alignment of these items to the topic offered.

Incorporation:

As soon as possible



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