The Vienna Graduate School in Computational Optimization (VGSCO) offers a contract for a Scientific Coordinator (PostDoc Assistant). The position is meant to provide a young scientist in the years after obtaining a PhD with support to broaden and deepen his/her research agenda. Applicants should have successfully completed their PhD in Mathematics, Statistics, Computer Science or a related field with excellent results or close to it. He/she will complement research areas pursued at VGSCO and will conduct original research independently. He/she will participate in the Graduate School's teaching, research and administrative activities and contribute to linking the Graduate School with the national and international scientific community, cooperating with other academic departments/institutions and supporting PhD students. He/She administrates the series of guest lectures and workshops and actively participates in the selection process of Visiting Professors. Experience in teaching and administration at university is of advantage. Employment (40 hrs/week) is based on a 3-year contract.

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Profile:
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Required documents for a successful application include:

- Completed PhD thesis and degree (certificate and transcripts)
- Motivation letter expressing the candidate’s visions and expectations
- CV including scientific interests, publications and scientific achievements
- A minimum of 2 recommendation letters
- Excellent command of written and spoken English
  (knowledge of other languages is an asset)
- Skype address for a possible interview

Applications should be submitted via email to vgsco@univie.ac.at
Deadline for applications is November 25, 2016.
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For further information, please contact Prof. Georg Pflug at the Department of Statistics and OR, University of Vienna, at vgsco@univie.ac.at

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