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Deep Learning Engineer for Speech Technologies (RE2)

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### **About BSC**

The Barcelona Supercomputing Center - Centro Nacional de Supercomputación (BSC-CNS) is the leading supercomputing center in Spain. It houses MareNostrum, one of the most powerful supercomputers in Europe, was a founding and hosting member of the former European HPC infrastructure PRACE (Partnership for Advanced Computing in Europe), and is now hosting entity for EuroHPC JU, the Joint Undertaking that leads large-scale investments and HPC provision in Europe. The mission of BSC is to research, develop and manage information technologies in order to facilitate scientific progress. BSC combines HPC service provision and R&D into both computer and computational science (life, earth and engineering sciences) under one roof, and currently has over 1000 staff from 60 countries.

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We are particularly interested for this role in the strengths and lived experiences of women and underrepresented groups to help us avoid perpetuating biases and oversights in science and IT research. In instances of equal merit, the incorporation of the under-represented sex will be favoured.

#### **Context And Mission**

The Language Technologies Unit at BSC has consolidated experience in several NLP areas, such as massive language model building, biomedical text mining, machine translation and unsupervised learning for underresourced languages and domains. It has been entrusted by the Spanish and the Catalan governments to develop fundamental open-source resources and technologies for Spanish and Catalan. In connection with this, the LT Unit is currently in charge of two flagship projects at the national and regional level: the Spanish

National Language Technology Plan, funded by the Spanish Secretariat of Digitalisation and Artificial Intelligence, and the AINA project, aimed at developing AI resources for Catalan, funded by the Catalan Digitalisation Department. In addition, the Unit participates in various EU-funded international projects.

The LT Unit at BSC is looking for a Machine Learning engineer with experience in Speech Technologies, specifically in Deep Learning and model building for speech recognition, synthesis and translation tasks.

The successful candidate will become a part of the speech technologies sub-group, work in a highly sophisticated HPC environment, have access to state-of-the-art systems and computational infrastructures, and establish collaborations with experts in different areas both at the local and international levels.

#### **Key Duties**

- Design and implement deep learning models for speech-related tasks.
- Prepare model training in HPC clusters.
- Ensure the quality of the models.
- Optimize ML model performance and scalability.
- Document and publish the models on open platforms.
- Apply for research projects.
- Write research papers.
- Mentor junior ML engineers.

### Requirements

- Education
  - o Degree in Computer Science, Telecommunications, Applied linguistics or related disciplines
  - o Having a Master's degree will be valued.
- Essential Knowledge and Professional Experience
  - Demonstrated experience of at least 3 years in deep learning frameworks and in the relevant area(s).
  - o Demonstrated experience in speech and audio processing.
  - Knowledge of version control tools and MLOps best practices.
  - o Native or good level of spoken and written English.
- Additional Knowledge and Professional Experience
  - o Demonstrated experience in developing open-source software and resources.
  - o Demonstrated experience in working in dynamic ML teams.
  - Native or good level of spoken and written Catalan and/or Spanish.
  - Strong understanding of linguistic concepts.
- Competences
  - Ability to work independently and in a team to complete tasks on schedule.
  - o Ability to work under set deadlines.

#### **Conditions**

- The position will be located at BSC within the Life Sciences Department
- We offer a full-time contract (37.5h/week), a good working environment, a highly stimulating environment with state-of-the-art infrastructure, flexible working hours, extensive training plan, restaurant tickets, private health insurance, support to the relocation procedures
- Duration: Open-ended contract due to technical and scientific activities linked to the project and budget duration
- Holidays: 23 paid vacation days plus 24th and 31st of December per our collective agreement
- Salary: we offer a competitive salary commensurate with the qualifications and experience of the candidate and according to the cost of living in Barcelona
- Starting date: asap

# **Applications procedure and process**

All applications must be made through BSC website and contain:

- A full CV in English including contact details
- A Cover Letter with a statement of interest in English, including two contacts for further references Applications without this document will not be considered

In accordance with the OTM-R principles, a gender-balanced recruitment panel is formed for every vacancy at the beginning of the process. After reviewing the content of the applications, the panel will start the interviews, with at least one technical and one administrative interview. A profile questionnaire as well as a technical exercise may be required during the process.

The panel will make a final decision and all candidates who had contacts with them will receive a feedback with details on the acceptance or rejection of their profile.

At BSC we are seeking continuous improvement in our recruitment processes, for any suggestions or feedback/complaints about our Recruitment Processes, please contact recruitment [at] bsc [dot] es.

For more information follow this link

## **Deadline**

The vacancy will remain open until a suitable candidate has been hired. Applications will be regularly reviewed and potential candidates will be contacted.

## **OTM-R** principles for selection processes

BSC-CNS is committed to the principles of the Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers of the European Commission and the Open, Transparent and Merit-based Recruitment principles (OTM-R). This is applied for any potential candidate in all our processes, for example by creating gender-balanced recruitment panels and recognizing career breaks etc.

BSC-CNS is an equal opportunity employer committed to diversity and inclusion. We are pleased to consider all qualified applicants for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, disability or any other basis protected by applicable state or local law.

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