



The **Alameda Institute** is hiring 01 (one) part-time researcher and project coordinator to work with the Head of Research on the execution of its international research programme. The researcher will also have special tasks connected to Alameda's project "After Order" and is expected to contribute to the project's insights, analyses and deliverables.

Job title:	Researcher and project coordinator
Hours:	Part-time (20-25 hours per week)
Contract type:	Fixed-term (16 months - January 2025 – April 2026)
Monthly remuneration:	£2,000.00
Reporting to:	Dr. Sabrina Fernandes / Head of Research

Main Responsibilities

- Assist the Head of Research in overseeing the different components of the research programme
- Conduct research and execute coordinating tasks for the project *After order: Unsovereign states, non-state sovereigns, and the global crisis of authority, including:*
 - Assisting the project leads in the strategy and direction of the project
 - Undertaking comprehensive literature reviews
 - Contributing to research design and project planning
 - Organising project activities according to the research plan, including logistics tasks
 - Providing general administration of the research project, working together with the Operations team (e.g.: invoicing, contracting)
 - Assisting with financial reports and other funding requirements
 - Participating in discussions, debates, publications and key events – coordinating them when necessary - according to the research plan



- Liaise with other researchers and participants, including for administrative purposes
- Attend meetings pertaining to projects and other relevant activities, when requested
- Work with the Alameda Secretariat to ensure that the project components fulfil the strategic objectives of the research programme

Selection Criteria

Essential requirements

- Master's Degree related to themes of Alameda's research programme (especially streams 3 and 4 - see below) in relevant fields e.g. Political Economy, Sociology, Political Science, Public Policy, Development Studies, Economics, International Relations, etc.
- Fluency in English
- Relevant experience in collective research projects
- Excellent research and analytical skills
- Excellent writing skills
- Research publication record on themes of relevance to the project

Desirable criteria

- Fluency in Spanish and/or Portuguese
- PhD in themes related to Alameda's research programme
- Relevant experience in conducting research in/on the Global South· Relevant background in critical research and progressive alternatives to today's politics of crisis
- Ability to use research evidence to communicate with a general audience
- Experience working in interdisciplinary research environments
- Experience with and/or good knowledge of social movements, unions and other civil society organisations
- Good knowledge of global trade and finance mechanisms



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- Good knowledge of current geopolitical debates on transition, economic justice and/or authoritarianism
 - Online communication skills

Terms of service

This position is offered through a part-time consultancy contract of 15 months (January 2025 to April 2026), with an estimated maximum weekly commitment of 25 hours. The contract is not renewable. Fees for services provided are inclusive of any required tax.

Location

This position is remote and the researcher should manage to work with a research team across different time zones. The researcher will attend specific events in-person, planned according to the research design phase. Travel and accommodation arrangements for these activities will be covered by the Alameda Institute.

Vetting and due diligence

If you are offered the position, the offer will be subject to standard vetting and due diligence checks, conducted by Save the Children UK, Alameda's incubating organisation.

Equality, diversity and inclusion

We are committed to achieving equality of opportunity for all funding applicants. We encourage applications from a diverse range of researchers. We especially welcome applications from women, people of colour, and/or with a Global South background.



About Alameda's research programme

Alameda's research programme currently covers four streams:

1. **Transition and ecological politics:** the processes, systems, and actors currently making ecological collapse more likely, and the political and policy programmes required to bring about a just transition.
2. **Development and de-development:** the tendencies, inequalities, and contradictions of capitalism in the twenty-first century, not least as they manifest themselves through transformations in technology and the world of work.
3. **Sovereignty, order, and justice:** in particular, transformations in international relations, the risks and opportunities they produce, and their implications for contemporary expressions of international solidarity, from climate alliances to humanitarianism to labour internationalism.
4. **New political formations:** the ideology and organisation of new and emerging formations across the political spectrum, and the opportunities to bring about a politics that can enable a just transition to avoid catastrophe.

About the project 'After order: Unsovereign states, non-state sovereigns, and the global crisis of authority'

This project will analyse the 'dispersion' of sovereignty in the context of a global crisis of authority, with attention to state and non-state actors, and the changing relationship between them. To this end, it will develop the following lines of inquiry through interdisciplinary research:

The first line of inquiry will explore the changing relationship between the state and capital during the period of neoliberal hegemony, and its relevance to the exercise of sovereignty. It will consider how this changing relationship, together with new political formations, has contributed to the modification, and perhaps even the transcendence, of neoliberalism.



The second line of inquiry will address the reliance of hegemonic theories of sovereignty on the normalisation of mechanisms of economic dependence, which create and maintain unsovereign states on the periphery, facilitating foreign capital accumulation and extraction. Rearrangements of sovereignty and fragmented state power in the international system will be analysed in relation to trade, finance, global governance, and war.

The third line of inquiry will explore the role of zoning and multilateral mechanisms – from free trade agreements and Bretton Woods institutions to instruments of credit – in undermining state sovereignty and the emergence of non-state sovereigns in the gaps created. It will address apparent tensions between state authoritarianism and militarism, on the one hand, and continued marketisation and financialisation, on the other.

The fourth line of inquiry will explore how, along frontiers of accumulation, such as the Amazon, illegal networks that undermine the state monopoly on legitimate violence arise alongside military and paramilitary involvement in resource grabs that confer sovereignty to non-state actors. Situations where violent entrepreneurs co-exist with the extractivist interests of states will also be examined as threatening to democracy, particularly in rural and urban settings.

About Alameda

Alameda was founded in April 2023 to promote internationalist research rooted in contemporary social struggles. We seek to contribute to strategy that can provide pathways of transition – alamedas – to a new world.

Our research programme is focused on matters of transition, catastrophe, internationalism and the polycrisis. Our projects cover strategic topics such as the limits of humanitarian reform, transition, the causes and effects of de-development, neoliberalism and the state, extractivism, and geopolitical conflict.



Currently, Alameda has office operations in London, UK, and in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Our network of staff, researchers and partners covers more than 20 countries. For more information, visit <http://alameda.institute>.

Selection process

How to apply

Applicants are required to submit; a **cover letter** explaining their reasons for applying and their aptness for the role (1 page); a **short CV** of up to 4 pages with relevant educational, professional and publishing background; and a **reference letter** (1 page). Please apply through the page:

<https://alameda.institute/research/call-for-applications-project-coordinator/>

Deadline

Alameda must receive your application by **4:00pm UK time** on **28 October 2024**. Applications received after this time will not be considered.

Successful applications will be invited for an online interview, which will determine the offer of contract. The interview will be conducted in English.

Questions and inquiries can be forwarded to research@alameda.institute.