



PhD Program between Freie Universität Berlin (FUB) and the China Scholarship Council (CSC)

**Open PhD Position at Freie Universität Berlin,
offered only to Chinese CSC scholarship candidates 2026**

Department/Institute: [Law]

Subject area: [Private law]

Name of Supervisor: [Prof. Dr. Andreas Engert]

Number of open PhD positions: [1]

Type of the PhD Study: [1) Full-time]

Project title: [Realigning the costs of compliance for public firms]

PhD Project description:

The project is at the intersection of law, economics, and public policy in the regulation of public firms. The ideal candidate will possess a strong background in empirical and comparative legal analysis and will be keen to explore forward-looking solutions to complex regulatory challenges. This role involves designing and evaluating institutional frameworks that promote corporate compliance and safeguard financial stability, with a particular emphasis on how regulators can collaborate with private firms to achieve shared welfare improvements and efficiently allocate the cost of compliance.

Language requirements:

- PhD study in English, therefore IELTS: 6.5

Information of the professor or research group leader (website, awards etc.):

<https://www.jura.fu-berlin.de/fachbereich/einrichtungen/zivilrecht/lehrende/engerta/index.html>

Please note:

In a first step, the complete application should be uploaded to the online portal (<https://fuberlin.moveon4.de/form/60acfece5d328710e40bdbd5/eng>) for evaluation by December 15th, 2025.