1. Job title
   Project Research Associate position.
2. Affiliation
   Laser and Synchrotron Research (LASOR) Center,
   The Institute for Solid State Physics (ISSP), The University of Tokyo (UTokyo).
3. Place of work
   ISSP (5-1-5 Kashiwanoha, Kashiwa-shi, Chiba 277-8581, Japan).
4. Job description and responsibilities
   ISSP is looking for a highly motivated individual to develop intense laser-based ultrashort pulse light sources in the vacuum ultraviolet, extreme ultraviolet, and soft X ray regions and their applications to materials sciences in Itatani group at LASOR Center. Researchers who are willing to play a key role in developing short wavelength light sources and their applications to materials sciences, and to contribute the joint-usage of developed systems are encouraged to apply.
5. Qualifications and requirements
   The candidate must hold a Ph.D. or an equivalent degree, or be on track to earn one before the start date.
6. Contract period
   April 1, 2023 - March 31, 2024
7. Duration of appointment renewal or not
   There is a possibility of renewal. In case of renewal, it will be done every year. Renewal will be determined based on the budget situation, progress of the work, workload at the end of the contract period, work performance, health situation, and other factors. However, the number of renewals shall be limited to four, and the period of tenure shall be limited to March 31, 2028.
8. Probation period
   Six months from the start date of employment.
9. Application deadline
   All documents must be received on or before Friday, December 23rd, 2022 (Japan Time).
10. Application documents
    (i) By general application:
        ○ Curriculum Vitae: UTokyo’s official format must be used, which can be downloaded at https://www.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en/about/jobs.html
        ○ List of achievements (mark your particularly important publications with a circle)
        ○ Reprints of significant publications (three publications; copies are acceptable)
        ○ A brief summary of your previous research and major accomplishments (kept within a few A4-size pages)
        ○ Research plan at ISSP (kept within a few A4-size pages)
        ○ A single reference’s letter of recommendation or description of the candidate. By the application deadline, the candidate must arrange for one professional reference to be submitted independently by the referee to the office (issp-jinji@issp.u-tokyo.ac.jp)
    (ii) By recommendation:
        ○ A letter of recommendation
        ○ Curriculum Vitae: UTokyo’s official format must be used, which can be downloaded at https://www.utokyo.ac.jp/en/about/jobs.html
        ○ List of achievements (mark your particularly important publications with a circle)
        ○ Reprints of significant publications (three publications; copies are acceptable)
        ○ A brief summary of your previous research and major accomplishments (kept within a few A4-size pages)
        ○ Research plan at ISSP (kept within a few A4-size pages)
11. How to submit
All application materials must be received via post or email.
○ By post:
Send application materials via simplified registered mail or another trackable delivery service to:
General Affairs Office, The Institute for Solid State Physics, The University of Tokyo, 5-1-5 Kashiwanoha,
Kashiwa, Chiba, 277-8581. (Email: issp-jinji@issp.u-tokyo.ac.jp / Telephone: +81-4-7136-3207)
The following must be typed in red on the envelope, “Application documents for Project Research Associate in
LASOR Center (Itatani group) enclosed” or “Recommendation documents for Project Research Associate in
LASOR Center (Itatani group) enclosed”.
○ By email:
To obtain a URL for uploading application documents, send an email to ISSP General Affairs Office
(isspjinji@issp.u-tokyo.ac.jp) with the subject line “Application for Project Research Associate in LASOR
Center (Itatani group)”. Then, use the URL provided to upload all of your application documents (For general
application, the letter of recommendation or description of the candidate should be submitted directly from the
referee to the office). Please get in touch with the office if you do not receive a response to your application
documents within three business days of sending them.
12. Inquiries
LASOR Center, ISSP, UTokyo
Associate Professor Jiro Itatani
Email: jitatani@issp.u-tokyo.ac.jp
13. Employer's name
The University of Tokyo.
14. Working hours
Based on the discretionary work system for professional work, working hours are deemed to be 7 hours and 45
minutes per day.
15. Days off
Saturdays, Sundays, national holidays, and end-of-year holidays (December 29th to January 3rd).
16. Paid leave
Annual paid leave; special paid leave, etc.
17. Salary
The basic salary will be decided after considering the successful candidate’s academic and professional
background. Commuting allowance (up to 55,000 yen per month).
18. Insurance
Enrollment in the insurance scheme provided by the Mutual Aid Association of MEXT (Ministry of Education,
Culture, Sports, Science and Technology) and employment insurance.
19. Others
• The successful candidate will be determined following the ISSP faculty meeting’s deliberations. The position
will remain vacant if no suitable candidates are identified.
• UTokyo is committed to gender equality in employment and encourages female applicants.
• According to the Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act (FEFTA) and other regulations, if you hold a
concurrent position with an overseas organization or receive a substantial amount of income from a foreign
government or other sources that restrict the sharing of your research skills and outcomes at UTokyo, you may
have difficulty fulfilling your responsibilities as a member of the UTokyo faculty. Any subsequent dual
employment and others after assuming the position should be limited to the extent that it does not interfere
with the sharing of research skills and outcomes at UTokyo.
• The submitted materials used to fill out the application will not be returned. Your CV will be used solely for
the purposes of this application, and your personal information will not be disclosed, transferred, or rented to
any third party without your permission.
• The status of measures to prevent second-hand smoke is indoor smoking cessation (establishment of smoking
areas).