**Position for:**
Trainee

As the science and knowledge service of the Commission, the mission of Joint Research Centre is to support EU policies with independent evidence throughout the whole policy cycle.

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**Short description of activity:**

The mission of the Unit Knowledge for Policy: Methods and Concepts is to understand how to best inform public policy with scientific knowledge in order: to train JRC scientists and Commission policymakers in managing scientific knowledge; to provide advice on how to collaborate and share knowledge; to engage citizens; to support the management of the Commission's country and regional knowledge (in particular for the European Semester); and to build knowledge for policy capacity in the Member States and developing countries.

The Unit includes an institutional project that focuses on science and technology studies and in particular on citizen engagement design and practices.

The candidate will be involved in supporting thematic projects where social research methodologies are relevant. The work consists of two interlinked tasks: 1) contributing to an inventory on citizen engagement practices in the EU, 2) contribute to co-designing a large scale process of citizen engagement around one of the objectives of the incoming Commission.

The work could include participation in citizen engagement processes in different MS. The traineeship will entail qualitative analysis and
literature reviews, as well as contribution to high quality scientific publications and technical reports. The candidate will have a traineeship within an interdisciplinary team with strong background on science and technology studies and post-normal science.

**Qualifications:**

**Essential:**
The candidate should:
- be a graduate in social sciences [sociology, political science, human geography or anthropology], media studies or design, with for example, an interest on communication strategies.
- Have good command of spoken and written English.

**Advantage:**
- An interdisciplinary background either academic or from previous professional experience;
- Any experience with citizen engagement either on-line or face-to-face is an asset.

**For general eligibility requirements, please read the rules governing the traineeship scheme of the JRC:**


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