As the science and knowledge service of the Commission, the DG Joint Research Centre supports EU policies with independent evidence throughout the whole policy cycle. The JRC is located in 5 Member States (Belgium, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands and Spain). Further information is available at: https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/.

The vacancy is within the 'Knowledge for the Energy Union' Unit of Directorate C - Energy, Transport & Climate, which has the mission to support the Energy Union policies and the transition to a climate-neutral economy through the mapping and analysis of relevant knowledge and data, the generation of new evidence, the anticipation of evolving trends and their effective communication. Our staff (about 50) is mainly based in Petten (NL).

As a member of the Research, Innovation and Competitiveness Group of the Unit, the successful candidate will:

- Monitor research and innovation activities in low-carbon energy technologies carried out at national and European levels; assess their progress in the context of the 2030 energy policy goals and the transition to a climate-neutral economy; and publish on the EU progress in energy Research and Innovation in high profile Commission reports.

- Contribute to key research and innovation policy actions of the Commission in close collaboration with other Commission services, and when required, experts beyond the Commission, such as the regular monitoring and reporting of progress of implementation of the European Strategic Energy Technology Plan (see setis.ec.europa.eu) and the assessment of national energy and climate reports according to the Governance for the Energy Union Regulation.

- Contribute to the knowledge management and policy support tasks of the Unit by using the data available in-house, as well as external sources and publications, to produce evidence-based assessments, inputs to policy documents and briefs and updating the SETIS website.

Qualifications:

Background in research and innovation, business, or economics with expertise in energy technologies. Experience with policy support and monitoring schemes would be an advantage.

We look for a person with a strong interest, and cross-cutting, broad knowledge of energy issues, who is able to research, evaluate, validate and compile information across a number of technologies and to write, and present comparative results in a succinct and accessible format.
Very good command of English (B2), established analytical ability, and good writing skills and French (B1) are essential. Data management and processing skills, and experience with databases would be an advantage.

The ideal candidate would have a good aptitude in taking initiative and developing new concepts, excellent communication skills and the ability to identify gaps in knowledge and evidence for policy considerations. This work will be carried out in close collaboration with other colleagues and may require contacts with stakeholders both in and outside the Commission, so good networking skills and a team oriented, collaborative attitude are a must.

The position offers a number of varied and interesting tasks in a friendly and well-integrated Unit to a motivated, flexible, and reliable colleague.

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The candidate must be on a valid EPSO reserve list for Function Group IV contract staff.

If you are not in any valid EPSO reserve list for Function Group IV contract staff, you can still apply by following these steps.

You express your interest by applying to the CAST Permanent or to the permanent JRC Call for researchers.

1. CAST Permanent: open-ended selection procedure to create a pool of candidates from which the institutions, bodies, offices and agencies of the European Union (EU) can recruit contract agents.  

2. JRC Call COM/1/2015/GFIV – Research: open-ended selection procedure to create a pool of candidates from which mainly the JRC can recruit contract agents FGIV as researchers. Details available at the link below:  

Only then you can apply for this specific position, through  
http://recruitment.jrc.ec.europa.eu/?type=AX

**Auxiliary contract staff:**  

Article 3b of the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union applies: the actual period of employment within the Commission under this type of contract, including any period under renewal, shall not
exceed 6 years.

*Please note that in case a high number of applications is received only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.*