### FG IV - Scientific Project Officer - Drinking Water Contact Materials

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The current vacancy is with the Food & Feed Compliance Unit. The mission of the Unit is to support the harmonised implementation of food and feed legislation through the provision of reliable measurement solutions and standards for evidence-based decision-making on the safety of the food chain. The mandate of the Unit is currently being expanded to include the compliance of products/materials in contact with drinking water.

We propose a Contractual Agent position in Ispra, Italy. The successful candidate will contribute to the implementation of the recast Drinking Water Directive, in particular concerning the safe use of materials in contact with drinking water (Art. 10a). The candidate will evaluate the performance characteristics of existing and new analytical/test methods for substances to be authorised in the EU drinking water legislation.

This challenging job in a dynamic setting involves frequent interactions with other Commission Directorates-General and decentralised agencies (ECHA, EFSA). The candidate will perform desk type work, with no laboratory activity foreseen.

### Qualifications:

The candidate shall have a background in analytical chemistry, food science, environmental science, or a similar discipline. At least 3 years’ experience in laboratory research methodologies and analytical measurements is required.

Knowledge of food safety legislation in the EU and in the Member States and familiarity with drinking water materials and/or food contact materials is an advantage, as well as experience in standardisation.

The candidate should have an open mind and positive attitude, with the ability to interact in an international context with Commission services, Agencies, Member State authorities, or other representatives. The candidate is able to lead expert discussions and meetings, is self-motivated, team player and able to manage a project within deadlines.

A very good level (C1) of written and spoken English is mandatory.
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<td>Indicative duration</td>
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| Rules and eligibility | 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](http://recruitment.jrc.ec.europa.eu/?type=AX)  
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.* |