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

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The Unit "Economics of Agriculture" focuses on the analysis of agricultural and trade policies in the EU, as well as food security and related policies in developing countries. The Unit provides policy support based on quantitative economic research, in particular using econometric and economic modelling tools.

The Unit offers a position as Economist to contribute to the quantitative analysis of food supply chains in the EU to provide scientific support to EU policies.

The successful candidate will work on the quantitative research activities in support of the EU policies dealing with the functioning of food supply chain and food systems in the area of microeconomics, industrial economics, consumer behaviour and institutional economics.

His/her main tasks will be:

- to analyse impacts of food supply chain related policies by means of quantitative tools and conceptual analyses;
- to develop quantitative tools, particularly using econometric techniques, to analyse impact of EU policies;
- to initiate, manage and monitor related research projects; this will include the preparation of technical specifications and validating and evaluating research results and publications;
- to contribute to drafting scientific publications and policy reports; and
- to contribute to the cooperation with policy services and development of the international network of cooperation of JRC.

Qualifications:

The ideal candidate should have a PhD in economics (or related field) or a minimum of 5 years of research experience after university studies of at least 3 years attested by a diploma, plus advanced knowledge and experience in microeconomics and econometric analysis.
related field. Her/his list of refereed journal publications should show a strong record with quantitative research orientation. A good level of written and spoken English is essential.

### Directorate
- **Directorate**: Sustainable Resources (JRC.D)
- **Unit**: Economics of Agriculture Unit (JRC.D.4)
- **Further information**: [https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en](https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en)

### Indicative duration
- 36 months initial contract with possible renewals up to maximum 6 years

### JRC Site
- **Country**: Seville, Spain

### 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 permanent JRC Call for researchers or the CAST Permanent.
  2. 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. [https://epso.europa.eu/documents/2240_en](https://epso.europa.eu/documents/2240_en)

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)

### 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.

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