**POSITION FOR:**
Member of the contract staff FGIV – art. 3b of the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants

**WE ARE:**
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.

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 current vacancy is in the Sustainable Resources Directorate, Land Resources Unit. Further information: https://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/

As part of the Sustainable Resources Directorate, the Land Resources Unit provides policy support on how to balance competing land use demands whilst securing access to natural resources and maintaining ecosystem services. The Unit operates the EU Soil Observatory (EUSO). There is strong collaboration with a range of European Commission services, European Agencies and International Organizations. This position focuses on the development of an Integrated Soil Monitoring System as part of the EUSO, combining the current LUCAS soil monitoring system of the European Commission with existing National soil monitoring systems in Member States and allowing comparisons with the global systems of monitoring.

**WE PROPOSE:**
Specifically, the position will support the implementation of the EU Soil Observatory through the development of the Integrated Soil Monitoring System including global and EU data, the organization of regular meetings of stakeholders of the EU Soil Observatory and the daily operation of components of the European Soil Data Centre.

**WE LOOK FOR:**
Candidates should possess a degree in biology, soil science, earth sciences, environmental sciences or agricultural sciences, together with at least 5 years job-related experience on soil ecology, soil survey, soil monitoring and soil classification and analysis.

A post-graduate qualification in a related field, contributions to reports about the importance of soil biodiversity in agriculture, would be an advantage. Experience in working with global soil data would also be an advantage.

Candidates are expected to lead and contribute to scientific publications, policy briefs and technical reports that require clear, well-structured texts. In this case, a high level of written and oral English (C1) is required.

**INDICATIVE CONTRACT’S DURATION:**
36 months initial contract with possible renewals up to maximum 6 years.

**PLACE OF WORK:**
Ispra (IT)

**ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:**
Candidates for this contract agent post shall:
– (i) have passed a valid EPSO CAST selection procedure;
or
or

With a valid application number to one of the above, you may then apply for this specific vacancy at JRC through: [http://recruitment.jrc.ec.europa.eu/?type=AX](http://recruitment.jrc.ec.europa.eu/?type=AX).

**RECRUITMENT POLICY:**
The JRC
• Cultivates a workplace based on respect for other people and the environment.
• Embraces non-discriminatory practices and equality of opportunity. In case of equal merit, preference will be given to the gender in minority.