**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 (JRC) 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/](https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/)
The current vacancy is in the Food and Feed Compliance Unit of Directorate Health, Consumers & Reference Materials of the JRC. The unit supports the harmonisation of the implementation of food and feed legislation through the provision of reliable measurement solutions and standards for evidence-based decision-making related to the safety of the food chain. The unit hosts the European Union Reference Laboratories for GMOs, feed additives and food contact materials.

**WE PROPOSE:**
We propose a Contract Agent position FG IV in the food contact materials group in Geel, Belgium ([https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/eurl/food-contact-materials](https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/eurl/food-contact-materials)). The successful candidate will co-ordinate the development of monitoring techniques, based on physico-chemical analytical methods, for measuring the quality of post-consumer plastic waste input and recycled plastic output of recycling processes. The candidate will also set up and carry out homogeneity and stability studies for proficiency tests. The proposed position has a strong laboratory component.

**WE LOOK FOR:**
The candidate shall have a PhD degree or a minimum of 5 years research experience after the first university degree giving access to doctoral studies, in e.g. analytical chemistry, chemistry, food science, environmental science or a similar discipline. At least 2 years of experience in laboratory research methodologies and analytical measurements are an advantage (with an emphasis on chromatographic techniques e.g. GC-MS, LC-MS). Knowledge of food contact materials and statistics are an advantage. Ability to work in an international team, creativity, consensus-building skills, positive spirit and proactivity are important. A good level (B2) of written and spoken English is essential.

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

**PLACE OF WORK:**
Geel (BE)
ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:
Candidates for this contract agent post shall:
– (i) have passed a valid EPSO CAST selection procedure;
or
– (ii) be registered in the EPSO Permanent CAST [https://epso.europa.eu/documents/2240_en](https://epso.europa.eu/documents/2240_en) 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:
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• 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.