**POSITION FOR:**
Member of the contract staff FG IV – 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/

The current vacancy is in the Intellectual Property and Technology Transfer Unit of the Directorate for Competences of the JRC. This unit houses the Central Intellectual Property (IP) Service of the Commission and the Competence Centre on Technology Transfer.

The Central IP Service is a team consisting of 9 IP lawyers and a paralegal, and serves all Commission DGs and Services. It is tasked with the provision of legal advice on IP matters, management of the EC IP portfolio of trade marks and patents, and raising awareness on IP issues with EC staff. Giving advice in relation to IP assets and portfolio management is a substantial part of the work of the team. The Central IP Service also assists the Commission’s Legal Service in IP litigation.

**WE PROPOSE:**
A position as contract agent/Legal Officer taking over typical tasks to be undertaken by the IP lawyers of the Central IP Service:

- Reply to the requests for advice on intellectual property issues.
- Prepare and revise intellectual property contracts.
- Contribute to raising awareness on IP amongst EC staff.
- Manage the portfolio of EC IP registration rights (patents and trade marks).

**WE LOOK FOR:**
Enthusiastic and open-minded, the successful candidate should have a law degree. The candidate should have at least one year experience in providing legal advice. Experience in advising on IP law is desirable. Good drafting and communication skills and a very good knowledge of English (C1) is necessary.

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

**PLACE OF WORK:**
Brussels (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
- or
- (iii) be registered in the specialised call for researchers https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/working-with-us/jobs/vacancies/function-group-iv-researchers (used mainly by the JRC).
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 Joint Research Centre
- 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.