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 mission of the Territorial Development Unit within the Growth and Innovation Directorate of the JRC is to support the urban and territorial articulation of the EU policy agenda, its external investment and global outreach. Our aim is to deliver world-class science-for-policy support to bring Europe closer to citizens and places, turning territorial diversity into value. We aim at strengthening the EU global role in putting forward place-based solutions for recovery and sustainability and at localizing global agendas, bringing back to Europe what we learn from outside.

We build on an impressive team of colleagues and on a unique combination of knowledge, data, methods, analytical and modelling tools as well as extensive links to urban, local, regional, national and international stakeholders, authorities and communities.

The Unit works across two JRC sites: Seville (Spain) and Ispra (Italy). Around 50% of the staff of the unit work at each site.

The Unit has a vacancy for a Contractual Agent in its team working with Science, Technology and Innovation Roadmaps for Sustainable Development Goals (STI for SDGs). The position is based in Seville, Spain.

WE PROPOSE:

The objective of this position of "Economic and Policy Analyst" is to support the work of the JRC Territorial Development Unit in adapting/applying the concept and methodology of STI for SDGs to different geographic and administrative contexts, in particular in Africa, in order to foster place-based innovation for sustainability. In particular, this position is connected with developing policy-oriented analyses and studies.

Further information on the project:
https://s3platform.jrc.ec.europa.eu/sustainable-development-goals

The candidate should:

- Contribute to research and analysis on Science, Technology and Innovation Roadmaps for Sustainable Development Goals and to the delivery of sound policy advice for selected countries, namely sub-Saharan African ones.
- Support the policy-making process in the areas of innovation policies for sustainability at different territorial levels by producing solid theoretical analysis and robust empirical evidence.
- Provide methodological guidance and elaborate case studies.
- Help coordinate policy-making processes where national and regional stakeholders work around common themes.
- Support the local uptake of global challenges such as the Agenda 2030 Sustainable Development Goals.

The candidate should also:

- Contribute to the conceptualisation, formulation and implementation of relevant studies, information gathering activities and analysis in the field of territorial development, sustainability, research and innovation policy.
- Contribute to synthesis reports; prepare and review deliverables and reports.
- Animate and contribute to the organisation of stakeholder workshops and training.
- Follow up and report on project activities – progress, outcomes, impacts and inputs to administrative, financial and procurement procedures.

The candidate might also initiate and manage smaller contracts with experts and external organisations in these areas, including project and financial documentation.

**WE LOOK FOR:**

The main requirements of the job could be summed up as follows:

- **Formal education:** PhD or 5 years university level education in economics, sociology, sustainable development, public policy or economic geography (Note that equivalent experience can replace a formal education requirement qualified as essential)
- **Job-Related experience:** at least 2 years, including research projects and/or publications in the area of territorial development, sustainable development, STI policies or economic geography. Experience in development, implementation or monitoring and evaluation of innovation policies will be an asset.
- **Strong and demonstrated skills in quantitative and qualitative analysis.**
- **Knowledge of STI and development policies in the Sub-Saharan African context.**
- **Excellent knowledge of English is required (C1 level).**
- **Very good command of French and/or Portuguese will be an advantage.**
- **Knowledge of EU development and innovation policies is an advantage.**

The candidate should be highly motivated and able to work in a team.

**INDICATIVE CONTRACT’S DURATION:**

36 months initial contract with possible renewals up to maximum 6 years.

**PLACE OF WORK:** Seville (ES)

**RULES AND ELIGIBILITY:**

Candidates for this contract agent post shall:
- (i) have passed a valid EPSO CAST selection procedure;
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.

**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.