**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 Unit JRC.D.4 "Economics of Agriculture" of the JRC. The Unit focuses on the analysis of agricultural, food and trade policies in the EU, and on the further development of the European bioeconomy, as well as food security and related policies in third countries. The Unit provides policy support based on quantitative economic research, using in particular economic modelling tools.

**WE PROPOSE:**
The unit proposes a position of a **Researcher/Economist** to contribute to JRC portfolio “Sustainable Food Systems”, in particular with **economic analysis of initiatives and policies related to the Green Deal in the area of food systems**, with a focus on the Farm to Fork strategy, Biodiversity strategy, Nature restoration law, circular bioeconomy and SDGs. The selected candidate will have a unique opportunity to provide high-quality scientific input to support the implementation of legal obligations of the Commission and to co-design future initiatives.

Main tasks will be:

- to provide economic analysis on plant health related activities, including impacts of pests on the agricultural system;
- to monitor and assess the development of alternative pesticide reduction policies;
- to study the economics of changes on input use or fam practices by EU farms and farmers;
- to analyse consumer understanding, acceptance and market impacts of new labelling initiatives;
- to define science-based methodologies to collect data and analyse results;
- to draft reports, briefs and articles for different audiences;
- to liaise with stakeholders both inside and outside the Commission to gain buy in of the knowledge acquired;
- to organise capacity building activities (workshops with experts, etc.);
- to organise expert group meetings and write reports on the work of these groups

**WE LOOK FOR:**
A researcher holding a University degree in agronomy, economics or agricultural economics. He/she should have either a PhD in economics, agricultural economics or related field, or a minimum of 5 years of research experience after the first degree giving access to doctoral studies. She/he should have a very good command of the English language (C1 level).

**INDICATIVE CONTRACT’S DURATION:**
36 months initial contract with possible renewals up to maximum 6 years.
PLACE OF WORK:  
Seville (ES)

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](#)  
or  
– (iii) be registered in the Specialised Call for 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 its [vacancy page](#).

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.