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**FG IV Scientific/Technical Project Officer –  
Socio-economic analysis of farm productivity,  
competitiveness and sustainability**

**Position for:**

**FG IV Scientific /  
Technical Project  
Officer**

The AGRILIFE Unit (Agriculture and Life Sciences in the Economy) focuses on the analysis of agricultural policies and agricultural technologies in the EU, but also food security and related policies in third countries. The policy support provided by the Unit is based on quantitative economic research, in particular using economic modelling tools.

AGRILIFE offers a position of scientific/technical officer to provide technical advice and perform research on the socio-economic analysis of farm productivity, competitiveness and sustainability.

Main tasks will be to:

- identify determinants of farm productivity, competitiveness and their link to sustainability;
- model agricultural systems and technologies adoption by farmers;
- define science-based methodologies to collect data and analyse results;
- assist in managing groups of experts;
- organise capacity building activities (workshops with experts, etc);
- organise expert group meetings and write reports on the work of these group.

The ideal candidate should:

- have either a PhD or a minimum of 5 years of research experience after the first degree giving access to doctoral studies;
- have a university degree in agronomy, economics or agricultural economics;
- have ability to manage and monitor research projects, good communication skills and ability to work in a multicultural and interdisciplinary environment;
- have demonstrated experience on statistics and econometrics analyses and related software packages;
- have knowledge on farm surveys and economic modelling;
- have knowledge agricultural productivity quantification (TFP), farm competitiveness and sustainability;
- be familiar with agricultural policies.

A very good level of written and spoken English is essential and knowledge of at least one other EU language is compulsory.

<b>Institute Unit</b>	Institute for Prospective Technological Studies Agriculture and Life Sciences in the Economy Unit (J.4)  Further information: <a href="http://agrilife.jrc.ec.europa.eu/">http://agrilife.jrc.ec.europa.eu/</a>
<b>Indicative duration</b>	12 months initial contract with possible renewals up to maximum 6 years.
<b>JRC Site Country</b>	Seville Spain
<b>Rules and eligibility</b>	<p><b>The candidate must be on a valid EPSO reserve list for Function Group IV contract staff or have applied to the permanent open call for researchers FG IV:</b></p> <p><a href="https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/working-with-us/jobs/vacancies/function-group-iv-researchers">https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/working-with-us/jobs/vacancies/function-group-iv-researchers</a></p> <p>Auxiliary contract staff: <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/jrc/index.cfm?id=3730">http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/jrc/index.cfm?id=3730</a></p> <p><i>Please note that due to the high number of applications received only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.</i></p>