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**FG IV - Project Officer in support of the
technical design of a Copernicus REDD+
Service**

<p>Position for:</p> <p>FG IV – Project Officer – Scientific</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>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/</p> <p>The vacancy is within the Bio-Economy Unit, (located in Ispra, Italy), which provides scientific support to EU policies related to the bio-economy such as the sustainable production as well as the use of biological resources, and which develops methods and models to monitor forest resources and carbon emissions and to improve our knowledge of biomass supply, demand and flows both at EU and global levels.</p> <p>In particular the JRC will further develop reference methods for the assessment of forest cover changes in tropical regions from Earth Observation data.</p> <p>We propose a challenging and stimulating position for a dynamic researcher in the field of tropical forest monitoring. The expected work is robustly rooted in science and highly policy-relevant.</p> <p>The main tasks of the selected candidate will include supporting the following activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Support the work done by the JRC in the context of the monitoring of deforestation and forest degradation and look at forest regrowth issues.• Interaction with national forest inventory or REDD services from a number of partners in Central and Eastern Africa countries, with the preparation of national case studies.• Interaction with European project partners and stakeholders involved in EO forest monitoring.• Interaction with international and regional institutional partners, such as UN-FAO and ICPAC.• Produce scientific publications. <p>Qualifications:</p> <p>The ideal candidate should have a PhD in forestry, agriculture or environmental science, or related field (or a University degree and 2 years of experience) and strong motivation to work in the interface between science and policy.</p> <p>Work experience in the field of tropical forest monitoring from Earth Observation and in the analysis of forest resources and carbon cycle is required. Knowledge of IPCC methods for estimating REDD GHG emissions and removals is considered important.</p>
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Directorate Unit	<p>Sustainable Resources Bio-Economy</p> <p>Further information: https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/</p>
Indicative duration	<p>24 months initial contract with possible renewals up to maximum 6 years</p>
JRC Site Country	<p>Ispra</p> <p>Italy</p>
Rules and eligibility	<p>The candidate must be on any valid EPSO reserve list for Function Group IV contract staff.</p> <p>Applicants to the following Calls for expression of interest can also be considered:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CAST Permanent - EPSO has launched in January 2017 an open-ended selection procedure to create a pool of candidates from which the institutions, bodies, offices and agencies of the European Union (EU) can recruit contract agents. Details available at the link below: https://epso.europa.eu/documents/2240_en 2. Call COM/1/2015/GFIV – Research - The JRC has launched in January 2015 a permanent call for researchers FG IV. Details available at the link below: https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/working-with-us/jobs/vacancies/function-group-IV-researchers <p>Auxiliary contract staff: https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/working-with-us/jobs/temporary-positions/contract-staff-members</p> <p>Article 3b of the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union applies: the actual period of employment within the Commission under this type of contract, including any period under renewal, shall not exceed 6 years.</p> <p><i>Please note that due to the high number of applications received only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.</i></p>