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**FG IV - Scientific Project Officer in the field of Artificial Intelligence****Position for:****FG IV - Scientific Project Officer**

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Artificial intelligence (AI) has become an area of strategic importance and a key driver of economic development as underlined in the COM(2018)237 on Artificial Intelligence for Europe and in the related Coordinated Plan COM(2018)795 that assigns to the unit the responsibility to set up and operates AI Watch, the Commission Knowledge Service to monitor the Development, Uptake and Impact of AI.

In view of the above, we are looking for a highly motivated and outstanding candidate with a strong background in AI. The jobholder will contribute to AI Watch by doing research and developing a methodology to monitor the state-of-the-art of Artificial Intelligence based on analysing existing benchmarking initiatives and study the considered evaluation methodologies, tasks, datasets, metrics, proposed approaches, results and readiness level. He will also collaborate with the JRC CAS Project HUMAINT to further advance research on Artificial Intelligence evaluation, fairness and transparency.

The candidate will have to be able to work independently in the framework of the AI Watch team, and always contributing to the research activities of the team and the Unit.

**Qualifications:**

We are looking for a researcher with a strong scientific academic background, a robust professional record in research and experience in Artificial Intelligence with:

- a PhD (doctoral Diploma) in any area of AI or a university degree and a minimum of five years of experience in a field relevant to the position;
- an excellent research track and impact publication records;
- an interest on fairness, accountability and transparency of Artificial Intelligence;
- very good writing and communication skills for scientific, policy, and business audiences, as well as the general public;
- very good knowledge of English (C1 level).

Experience in AI evaluation and AI technology evolution monitoring is an asset.

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<b>Indicative duration</b>	36 months initial contract with possible renewals up to maximum 6 years
<b>JRC Site Country</b>	Seville  Spain
<b>Rules and eligibility</b>	<p>The candidate must be on a valid EPSO reserve list for Function Group IV contract staff.</p> <p>If you are not in any valid EPSO reserve list for Function Group IV contract staff, you can still apply by following these steps.</p> <p>You express your interest by applying to the CAST Permanent or to the permanent JRC Call for researchers.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. CAST Permanent: 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. <a href="https://epso.europa.eu/documents/2240_en">https://epso.europa.eu/documents/2240_en</a></li> <li>2. JRC Call COM/1/2015/GFIV – Research: open-ended selection procedure to create a pool of candidates from which mainly the JRC can recruit contract agents FGIV as researchers. Details available at the link below: <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></li> </ol> <p>Only then you can apply for this specific position, through <a href="http://recruitment.jrc.ec.europa.eu/?type=AX">http://recruitment.jrc.ec.europa.eu/?type=AX</a></p> <p><b>Auxiliary contract staff:</b>  <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/working-with-us/jobs/temporary-positions/contract-staff-members">https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/working-with-us/jobs/temporary-positions/contract-staff-members</a></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 in case a high number of applications is received only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.</i></p>