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**FG IV Scientific/Technical support officer
Economics and Statistics of Education**

Position for:

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The mission of the **Econometrics and Applied Statistics Unit** is to provide policy monitoring and impact evaluation in areas relevant to progress and stability of the European society. The unit's research on statistical indicators, applied econometrics, sensitivity auditing and counterfactuals is used in key policy areas such as growth, competitiveness, lifelong learning, employment, innovation, the internal market and other social dimensions.

The **Project "Centre for Research on Education and Lifelong Learning" (CRELL)** aims to increase the European Commission's research capacity in terms of **analysis and monitoring of the education and training systems in Europe** so as to reinforce the Commission's competence for evidence-based policymaking.

The auxiliary contract agent FGIV will contribute to the Unit's research activities and policy support tasks related to **economics and statistics of education**. We are looking for a candidate with a strong quantitative background and experience in research in the social science field, with a particular focus on education (preferably economics and/or statistics of education), who should be able to analyse and treat quantitative and qualitative information and to provide evidence-based policy through technical/policy reports. Given the nature of the Joint Research Center, the candidate should also have some academic trajectory with consolidated experience in peer-reviewed publications.

Qualifications

The candidates must have a PhD in Economics/Statistics of Education **or** at least 5 years of previous academic and work experience in:

- analyzing education choice; forecasting education attainment; studying the impact of economic environment on education attainment; early-career and late-career skill mismatch;
- analyzing employment dynamics and labour flows at macro and industry levels;
- analyzing business cycle sensitivity of public spending on education; financing education expenditures within a narrow fiscal space.

Experience in presenting technical and non-technical briefs for policy analysis and official communications for wider public audiences will be highly appreciated.

Use of statistical tools and programming (Stata, Matlab, Eviews, Gauss) is required.

A very good knowledge of English both written and oral (at least C1) is essential.

Directorate Unit	Deputy Director General Econometrics and Applied Statistics Unit (DDG.01) Further information: https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/about/institutes-and-directorates
Indicative duration	12 months initial contract with possible renewals up to maximum 6 years
JRC Site Country	Ispra Italy
Rules and eligibility	<p>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:</p> <p>https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/working-with-us/jobs/vacancies/function-group-iv-researchers</p> <p>Auxiliary contract staff: https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/working-with-us/jobs/temporary-positions/contract-staff-members</p> <p><i>Please note that due to the high number of applications received only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.</i></p>