



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

JOINT RESEARCH CENTRE

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**FG IV – SCIENTIFIC PROJECT OFFICER –  
DEVELOPMENT OF THE INTEGRATED SOIL  
MONITORING SYSTEM**

**POSITION FOR:**

Member of the contract staff FGIV – art. 3b of the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants  
<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CONSLEG:1962R0031:20110101:EN:PDF>

**WE ARE:**

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.

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/>

The current vacancy is in the Sustainable Resources Directorate, Land Resources Unit.

As part of the Sustainable Resources Directorate, the Land Resources Unit provides policy support on how to balance competing land use demands whilst securing access to natural resources and maintaining ecosystem services. The Unit operates the EU Soil Observatory. There is strong collaboration with a range of European Commission services, European Agencies and International Organizations.

**WE PROPOSE:**

The position focuses on the development of an Integrated Soil Monitoring System for the EU, combining the current LUCAS soil monitoring system of the European Commission with existing National soil monitoring systems in Member States. The system will especially collect new data on soil biodiversity in the EU.

Specifically, the position will support the implementation of the EU Soil Observatory through the development of the Integrated Soil Monitoring System, the organization of regular meetings of the management Board and Steering Committee of the EU Soil Observatory and the daily operation of the European Soil Data Centre

**WE LOOK FOR:**

Candidates must possess a degree in biology, soil science, earth sciences, environmental sciences or agricultural sciences, together with at least 5 years job-related experience on soil ecology, soil survey, soil monitoring and soil classification and analysis.

A post-graduate qualification in a related field, contributions to reports about the importance of soil biodiversity in agriculture, would be an advantage.

Candidates are expected to lead and contribute to scientific publications, policy briefs and technical reports that require clear, well-structured texts. In this case, a high level of written and oral English (C1) is required.

**INDICATIVE CONTRACT'S DURATION:**

36 months initial contract with possible renewals up to maximum 6 years.

**PLACE OF WORK:**

Ispra (IT)

**RULES AND ELIGIBILITY:**

To be eligible for the position, the candidate must be on a valid EPSO reserve list for Function Group IV contract staff.

You can be added to an EPSO reserve list if you complete successfully an EPSO selection procedure. Candidates who are on a valid EPSO reserve list or have applied to an EPSO selection procedure can apply to this specific position through <http://recruitment.jrc.ec.europa.eu/?type=AX>.

**How to apply to an EPSO selection procedure?**

Apply either to the permanent EPSO call (CAST Permanent) [https://epso.europa.eu/documents/2240\\_en](https://epso.europa.eu/documents/2240_en) or a specialised call for researchers <https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/working-with-us/jobs/vacancies/function-group-IV-researchers>

The CAST Permanent reserve list is used by a wide range of organisations (institutions, bodies, offices and agencies of the European Union), whereas the specialised reserve list for researchers (JRC Call COM/1/2015/GFIV – Research) is mainly used by the JRC.

**RECRUITMENT POLICY:**

The JRC

- 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.