



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

JOINT RESEARCH CENTRE

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**FG IV- SCIENTIST - EXPLORATORY  
RESEARCH PROJECT - *Policy Mix and  
Behavioural Spillovers (PoliSpill)***

**POSITION AS:**

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 (JRC) 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 JRC offers a vacancy for a Contract Agent within the Exploratory Research Project “Policy Mix and Behavioural Spillovers” (PoliSpill). The JRC Exploratory Research Programme (ER) is a strategic initiative characterised by ideas that might lead to novel results and qualitatively enrich current JRC scientific work.

The vacancy is within the Directorate for Energy, Transport and Climate. The directorate supports the relevant policy DGs with independent, technical and scientific evidence in the areas of Energy, Transport and Climate. The operational scientific research will take place in the Energy Efficiency and Renewables unit.

Further information is available at: <https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/science-area/energy-and-transport>

The Scientific Development unit is in charge of the overall JRC Exploratory Research Programme.

**WE PROPOSE:**

A vacancy to carry out scientific and technical tasks in accordance with the Exploratory Research Project “Policy Mix and Behavioural Spillovers” (PoliSpill) with special emphasis on the investigation of behavioural mechanisms leading to effective policy mix, through the experimental approach.

By using the experimental approach, the project will advance scientific knowledge on the behavioural mechanisms upon which multiple policy instruments operate. The project findings will help policy makers to consider behavioural aspects and related spillovers in policy designs requiring a policy mix.

The successful candidate will:

- Carry out the project in close collaboration with other project team members;
- Identify the latest scientific developments related to the project;
- Develop an online experimental design to address research questions related to the project;
- Execute the online experiment and analyse the experimental results;
- Provide regular and accurate reports on scientific activities every twelve months and a final report;
- Report to the Project Leader on progress, achievements and potential problems in a timely manner;
- Provide feedback and maintain interactive communication with colleagues;
- Explain the research activities and achievements to third parties, such as scientific communities and the general public;
- Write, disseminate and publish results, among other, in peer-reviewed journals.

**WE LOOK FOR:**

A scientist with the following qualifications:

- A doctoral diploma in Behavioural or Social Sciences or related field, alternatively completed university studies of at least three years attested by a diploma and at least five years professional

experience in a field relevant to the position;

- Excellent knowledge of quantitative research methods including experimental methodology and statistics is essential;
- Knowledge in behavioural sciences for environmental policy is an advantage;
- Solid record of research activities relevant for the post including publications in international peer-reviewed journals is an advantage;
- Good oral and written communication skills in English (B2) are essential, knowledge of other languages is an advantage.

In addition, the following competences will be considered as an advantage:

- Ability to work in a team and in a multi-cultural environment;
- The candidate is expected to be creative and work independently.

**EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT DURATION:**

24 months employment contract for the Exploratory Research project “Policy Mix and Behavioural Spillovers” (PoliSpill).

Employment contracts for Contract Agents can be renewed for maximum 6 years.

**PLACE OF WORK:**

Ispra, Italy

**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.