



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

JOINT RESEARCH CENTRE

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FG IV – Technical Officer - Scientific Research

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 Health, Consumers and Reference Materials Directorate, Fraud Detection and Prevention Unit (JRC.F.4).

The fight against food fraud is an EU priority aimed at keeping the highest food safety standards. Detection of fraud in the food chain requires not only appropriate analytical methods but relies to a large extent on intelligence gathering from a variety of sources to reveal vulnerabilities of food chains and to inform enforcement actions. The activity is embedded in the newly created European Knowledge Centre for Food Fraud and Quality (KCFFQ) (<https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/food-fraud-and-quality>).

WE PROPOSE:

Our new colleague will apply state-of-the-art vibrational spectroscopy (FT-IR, NIR, Raman) combined with multivariate statistical tools to verify claims, such as geographical/botanical origin, on agri-food products of high economic value, e.g. fish, beeswax, honey, olive oil, etc. The future job holder will be part of the Knowledge Centre for Food Fraud and Quality and is expected to support the team in the preparation of meetings with the network of national experts, where results are presented in an international forum. The candidate will also scan the horizon, collate information related to the state-of-the-art in the offered position to generate knowledge and contribute actively to the operation of the KCFFQ.

WE LOOK FOR:

The successful candidate shall have a degree in chemistry, biochemistry/food chemistry, pharmacy, or a related discipline with a strong focus on analytical techniques relevant to the job content. A solid background in vibrational spectroscopy is a requirement and experience in its practical application to biological matrices is an asset. Familiarity with IT systems for storing and organising data and chemometrics is necessary. Good knowledge of spoken and written English (level B2) is required.

INDICATIVE CONTRACT'S DURATION:

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

PLACE OF WORK:

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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 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.