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FG IV - Economic and Policy Analyst

POSITION FOR:

Member of the contract staff FG IV – 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 mission of the Urban and Territorial Development Unit within the Growth and Innovation Directorate of the JRC is to support the urban and territorial articulation of the EU policy agenda, its external investment and global outreach. Our aim is to deliver world-class science-for-policy support to bring Europe closer to citizens and places, turning territorial diversity into value. We aim at strengthening the EU global role in putting forward place-based solutions for recovery and sustainability and at localizing global agendas, bringing back to Europe what we learn from outside.

We build on an impressive team of colleagues and on a unique combination of knowledge, data, methods, analytical and modelling tools as well as extensive links to urban, local, regional, national and international stakeholders, authorities and communities.

The Unit works across two JRC sites: Seville (Spain) and Ispra (Italy). Staff is divided around 50% per each site.

WE PROPOSE:

The project Smart Specialisation for Sustainable Development Goals contributes to the JRC effort to support the localisation of the SDGs and their territorial dimension. Starting in November 2018, the B3 Unit has been working to share the EU experience on Smart Specialisation Strategies (S3) as one of the global methodologies for STI Roadmaps for the achievement of SDGs, with a distinctive localised (place-based) approach and widespread application across EU regions.

In 2019, JRC has become a key strategic partner in the UN Global Pilot Programme on STI Roadmaps for SDGs, together with the UN stakeholders and the World Bank.

The new methodology for sustainability-oriented Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) Roadmaps offers new pathways for countries, regions and local communities to explore new growth models and plan for the future we want, addressing EU and MS call for a post-COVID 19 green recovery.

This project has both an internal and external dimension and contributes to Commission's priorities: "The European Green Deal" and "A Stronger Europe in the World".

WE LOOK FOR:

We are looking for a researcher in the field of innovation. The primary duties include:

- (i) Development of S3 for SDGs methodology
- (ii) Support to national and subnational authorities to implement the S3 for SDGs methodology
- (iii) Support the cooperation between researchers and policy makers at global, EU, national and subnational level

Cooperation with national and subnational representatives (research and public administration) and other key stakeholders, e.g. United Nations, European Commission, World Bank, OECD, etc.

The candidate should also:

1. Contribute to the conceptualisation, formulation and implementation of relevant studies, information gathering activities and analysis in the field of territorial development, research and innovation policy and sustainability.
2. Contribute to synthesis reports; prepare and review deliverables and reports.
3. Animate and contribute to the organisation of stakeholder workshops and trainings.
4. Follow up and report on project activities – progress, outcomes, impacts and inputs to administrative procedures.

The function and responsibilities of this position would thus include:

- Policy Analysis and Advice: to carry out research activities on Smart Specialisation Strategies for Sustainable Development Goals, in the European and global context and feed into policy-making.
- Project and Process Management: to prepare, review and follow up on deliverables and projects.

The candidate might also initiate and manage smaller contracts with experts and external organisations in these areas, including project and financial documentation.

The candidate should have demonstrated experience in the above capacities and be proficient in writing concise pieces of information in English.

The main requirements of the job could be summed up as follows:

- Candidates should ideally have a PhD (doctoral diploma) or a minimum of 5 years professional experience after university studies of at least 3 years attested by a diploma in economics, spatial planning, sociology, public policy or economic geography (Note that equivalent experience can replace a formal education requirement qualified as essential).
- Job-Related experience: at least 5 years, including a track record of peer reviewed publications in the area of urban and regional development, sustainability, environmental economics, STI policies or economic geography OR: experience in development, implementation or monitoring and evaluation of innovation policies. Experience with smart specialisation will be an asset.
- Knowledge of STI policies and/or the EU international policy and international organizations will be an asset
- Excellent knowledge of English is required.
- Very good command of French will be an advantage.
- Knowledge of EU policies is an advantage.

INDICATIVE CONTRACT'S DURATION:

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

PLACE OF WORK:

Seville (ES)

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.