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FG IV – Project Officer – Scientific - TOURISM: Data and policy analyst

POSITION FOR:

Member of the contract staff FG IV – art. 3b of the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants
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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 Urban and Territorial Development Unit within the Growth and Innovation Directorate of the JRC. The mission of the Unit 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 are broken down around 50% per each site.

WE PROPOSE:

A position for a data and policy researcher and analyst specialized in tourism and related sectors.

The new colleague will work on the TOURISM project that aims to provide answers to the extensive challenges that the tourism sector is facing as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent lockdowns - and the need to design and implement relevant policy action at European, national and local level. The project builds on previous work carried out on analysis and data elaboration related to tourism, and aims to:

1. Establish a territorial knowledge base of spatiotemporal patterns of tourism in Europe;
2. Evaluate impacts of shocks: Develop and test frameworks to evaluate regional impacts of demand shocks and their likely determinants;
3. Assess tourism in Europe post-COVID-19: monitor early signs of recovery, and inventory existing recovery strategies for re-building more sustainable and resilient tourism;
4. Contribute to the assessment of tourism from the point of view of its social and environmental impacts.

The primary objective include: (i) Improve and update the spatiotemporal tourism database, factoring seasonality, flows and tourism typologies at regional scale; (ii) Analysis of status and trends of tourism in Europe, at various geographical scales including physical, economic, social and cultural aspects of tourism, tourist markets, and destinations; (iii) Assessment of opportunities and challenges for European regions and cities toward a sustainable recovery and possible paradigm shifts in the tourism sector.

The jobholder will analyse tourism trends and patterns. Main tasks will include:

- Analysis of development patterns;
- Evaluation of impact of policies in relation to SDGs;

- Collection and evaluation of spatial, statistical and economic data sets suitable for tourism analysis and assessment;
- Spatial statistical analysis (including GIS, econometric and statistics) of urban data;
- Analysis and dissemination of results;
- Organise and perform research activities on modelling and scenario preparation;
- Elaborate scientific information for publication at the JRC and Unit websites;
- Produce scientific publications, including for peer reviewed journals;
- Report to other scientists, to the team leader and to the head of unit the status and results of the work, including through seminar, written reports, presentations and demonstrations;
- Adhere to quality management procedures.

WE LOOK FOR:

The ideal candidate has studied and/or relevant and proven experience in at least one of the following areas: tourism studies and related fields, geographical information sciences, statistical and/or spatial data processing and analysis. Working experience in topics related to travel and tourism and sustainability will be highly valued.

Experience with large and emerging datasets and programming/coding skills for spatial and statistical analysis, as well as data scraping will be considered important assets of the candidate.

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. A very good knowledge of English (B2) is also 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 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.