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FG IV - Project Officer - Fisheries scientist

POSITION FOR:

Member of the contract staff FGIV – 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 Directorate for Sustainable Resources, Water and Marine Resources Unit (JRC.D.2). The mission of the Directorate for Sustainable Resources is to provide independent scientific evidence to support the development, implementation, evaluation and coherence of EU policies, mainly in the areas of agriculture and rural development, development cooperation, environment and climate change, blue growth and fisheries, the bioeconomy, industry and trade.

WE PROPOSE:

A position in the Water and Marine Resources Unit, which contributes to address societal and economic challenges deriving from the evolving vulnerability of the European and global fresh water and ocean environments. To explore innovative solutions to sustainably manage water as a resource, as well as fisheries, aquaculture and other ocean resources. To carry out inter-disciplinary science promoting the integration of water in sectorial EU policies taking impacts of climate change into account.

The post is assigned to the JRC Fisheries and Aquaculture activities and particularly linked to the Common Fisheries Policy (CFP). The CFP, a major EU policy framework, aims to ensure that fishing and aquaculture are environmentally, economically and socially sustainable and that they provide a source of healthy food for EU citizens. The CFP is also exceptional in that the provision of scientific advice is required by legislation. CFP scientific advice is underpinned by the EU Data Collection Framework (DCF). The JRC is strongly involved both in the DCF and the CFP scientific advice provision.

The jobholder will carry out research and contribute to the production of scientific advice to the Common Fisheries Policy. This assignment includes assessments and analyses under the remit of the EU Data Collection Framework (DCF; EU-MAP) and the Blue Economy. Moreover, the integration of data, modelling approaches, and information across different marine policy areas, including the Marine Strategy Framework Directive is supported. Main tasks will involve:

- Research on multi-annual management plans taking into account the needs of fisheries and research on Fisheries Management Strategy Evaluation (methodology, definition of criteria, monitoring), including the efficient transfer into fisheries management and policy advice.
- Develop and analyse options for bio-economic modelling in relation to management plans and impact assessments.
- Contribute to provide guidance to staff members of the Common Fisheries Policy support team across all pursued activities, along with the coordination of activities and interaction with Partner Directorate Generals of the European Commission.
- Producing analytical and technical reports, scientific publications and contribution to capacity building in the fisheries research sector.
- Scientific and administrative support to the Scientific, Technical and Economic Committee for Fisheries (STECF) and the Data Collection Framework.
- Research on the development of novel modelling approaches with emphasis on requirements and challenges emerging from the Common Fisheries Policy.

WE LOOK FOR:

We are looking for a scientist with strong quantitative background in areas of relevance for fisheries science and/or fisheries management. The candidate must have a strong quantitative background in fisheries, marine or related sciences.

The candidate must have a PhD degree in any of these fields or, alternatively, at least 3 years of full time relevant research experience after the first University degree giving direct access to doctoral (PhD) studies.

Essential requirement is expertise in the processing and analysis of data, preferably in the area of fisheries, fisheries economics, fisheries modelling, or fish stock assessments.

Statistical computation, econometrics, experience in bioeconomy and programming would be an asset.

Preferential requirements include knowledge about the Common Fisheries Policy and its international dimension, as well as familiarity with the work of bodies and institutions generating and providing quantitative scientific advice to fisheries management (e.g. STECF, ICES, GFCM, RFMOs). Preferential requirements also include experience in the provision of scientific advice to fisheries policy and management as well as coordination and supervision of activities. A record of scientific publishing and writing of reports for the provision of scientific advice is an asset.

Good knowledge of spoken and written English (B2 level) is required.

INDICATIVE CONTRACT'S DURATION:

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

PLACE OF WORK:

Ispira (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.