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**FG IV - PROJECT OFFICER - MIGRATION AND MOBILITY DATA FOR POLICY****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 with the Demography, Migration and Governance Unit, of the Directorate for Space, Security and Migration. This Unit carries out research in support of EU policies in migration and related fields and is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the Knowledge Centre on Migration and Demography. The European Commission's Knowledge Centre on Migration and Demography (KCMD) established in June 2016 is steered by JRC, DG HOME, and seven other services. It is tasked with providing solid scientific evidence for EU policy makers in migration, supporting the European Agenda on Migration and focusing on migration and demography developments at global scale addressing both short and mid-to-longer term policy needs.

The KCMD's day-to-day work involves mapping and structuring existing knowledge on migration and demography, addressing key knowledge gaps through its own research, extending the knowledge through networking with external partners, disseminating its findings and caring for their uptake by policymakers and practitioners.

**WE PROPOSE:**

In this context, we are looking for a dynamic and highly motivated colleague with an appropriate background to carry out activities on situational awareness, early warning and forecast in support of the New Pact on Migration and Asylum - Migration Preparedness and Crisis Blueprint. Additional tasks include contributing to mobility data innovation in collecting and processing mobility data to deliver evidence-driven insights to policymakers.

The successful candidate, as a member of a team of researchers and analysts, will be requested to:

- Contribute to early warning, situational awareness and forecast of migration patterns using traditional and innovative data sources as well as big data in support of the New Pact on Migration and Asylum - Migration Preparedness and Crisis Blueprint;
- Contribute to the research activity on innovative data for migration, by collecting and analysing these data but also working on the related methodological challenges of integrating these data with official statistics;
- Collaborate with academic institutions and networks, Eurostat and other statistical offices, international organisations and data producers;
- Draft discussion papers, science for policy reports, briefings, recommendations, and studies on data gaps on migration and demography and the potential of data innovation to address them.

Drawing on solid quantitative background, combined to excellent writing skills, the candidate will consolidate and further develop the JRC positioning on migration and demographic data for policy.

**WE LOOK FOR:**

The ideal candidate shall have

- A Ph.D. (doctoral degree) in data science, computer science, statistics or a related quantitative analysis discipline, or a minimum of five years professional experience after university studies, with a focus on data for policy;
- Experience in the domain of migration and/or mobility;
- Hands-on experience with data analytics, scientific programming tools (R and Python), large volumes of unstructured data, modelling and capability to transform data into information by extracting relevant insights, trends and patterns;
- Experience in machine learning and forecasting methods.
- Demonstrated experience in working with policy makers will be an asset;
- Flexibility, openness and collaborative attitude is required;
- Ability to work both autonomously and in team, result orientation, resilience to work under pressure;
- Capacity to communicate well and represent the Unit in EU policy-related events.

Excellent written and spoken English is essential (C2 level minimum).

**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](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.