

**2021-BRU-I4-FGIV-018368****FG IV – Legal Officer - Intellectual Property****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 Directorate “Competences” / Unit “Intellectual Property and Technology Transfer” (JRC.I.4). This unit houses **the Central Intellectual Property (IP) Service of the Commission** and the Competence Centre on Technology Transfer.

The Central IP Service is a team consisting of nine IP lawyers and a paralegal, and serves all Commission DGs and Services. It is tasked with the provision of legal advice on IP matters, management of the EC IP portfolio of trade marks and patents, and raising awareness on IP issues with EC staff. Giving advice in relation to copyright protected IP assets (publications, software, data, illustrations, audio-visual works) is a substantial part of the work of the team. The Central IP Service also assists the Commission’s Legal Service in IP litigation.

WE PROPOSE:

Typical tasks to be undertaken by the IP lawyers of the Central IP Service include:

- Analysing and drafting advice on legal IP questions;
- Giving training on IP practices, Contributing in raising awareness on IP amongst European Commission staff;
- Prepare and negotiate IP contracts;
- Performing IP audits on software and advising on distribution.

WE LOOK FOR:

Enthusiastic and open-minded, the successful candidate should have a law degree with a specialisation in IP law, and at least three year experience in (advising on) **copyright**.

Good drafting and communication skills and a good knowledge of English (C1) is necessary. Good knowledge of open source software licensing and/or legal research on IP constitutes an asset.

INDICATIVE CONTRACT’S DURATION:

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

PLACE OF WORK:

Brussels (BE)

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

Candidates for this contract agent post shall:

– (i) have passed a valid EPSO CAST selection procedure;

or

– (ii) be registered in the EPSO Permanent CAST https://epso.europa.eu/documents/2240_en

- (iii) be registered in the specialised call for researchers <https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/working-with-us/jobs/vacancies/function-group-iv-researchers> (used mainly by the JRC).

With a valid application number to one of the above, you may then apply for this specific vacancy at JRC through: <http://recruitment.jrc.ec.europa.eu/?type=AX>.

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.