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FG IV -Scientific Programme Officer – Public health data analyst**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 Health in Society Unit. Within its Directorate for Health, Consumers and Reference Materials, the Health in Society Unit supports EU policies in public health for promoting excellence and equality of health-care in all Member States. The Unit is composed of a young and dynamic team of experts working on: health information on cancer and rare diseases; healthcare quality, and health promotion and prevention of non-communicable diseases.

WE PROPOSE:

The Unit is looking for an epidemiologist with expertise in information technology for its Cancer Information group, to provide scientific and technical support to the European Cancer Information System (ECIS). Support to, and cooperation with the European Network of Cancer Registries (ENCR) will be a key aspect towards improving the quality, reliability and comparability of cancer data.

The comparison of data via epidemiological analysis will be used to steer public health policy making and will provide an evidence base for understanding the effectiveness of cancer diagnosis, treatment and follow-up. The CA will also be in direct contact with the European cancer registries to provide them the necessary support for contributing to the ECIS, as well as with different stakeholders for linking cancer data with other databases, tools and services to increase exploitation of cancer information.

The tasks assigned to the successful candidate would include:

- Supporting to the maintenance of a sustainable centralized collection of cancer data at European level, for proper managing from protocol definition up to back-office data processing.
- Contribution to coordinating consensus mechanisms for harmonising procedures/protocols in order to improve quality and use of cancer registry data.
- Supporting validation, analysis and assessment of the quality of collected cancer-registry data, and contribution to reporting of the current cancer pattern in Europe.
- Supporting the coordination of the ENCR network through organisation and management of its secretariat duties.
- Supporting to the definition and implementation of routines to compute real-data statistical indicators (incidence, mortality, prevalence, survival) reporting on cancer burden in Europe.
- Linkage of the above activities with the IT group of the Unit.
- Contributing to maintaining collaborations and partnership with individual cancer registries, representatives of international organisations, scientific networks in the cancer data domain, helping them to contribute to the European Cancer Information System.
- Contributing to the dissemination of information/analyses on cancer burden and trends.
- Translating research activities results in significant deliverables for the scientific community, such as papers in peer-reviewed journals, presentations in scientific conferences, reports, etc.
- Providing high quality presentations to international audiences at key events, in line with the EC/JRC rules.

- Supporting to the organization of and participation to events related to abovementioned topics.

WE LOOK FOR:

The ideal candidate will have a University degree in Epidemiology, Biostatistics, Medicine, Public Health. At least 5 years of job-related experience and preferably a PhD in any of these fields is required. Experience in Information Technology and/or Computer Science would be considered an advantage.

Demonstrated experience in handling and managing large data and information-sets and data collection/validation/analysis and modelling is desirable.

Preferably, the new colleague will also have experience in one or more of the following: knowledge of patient registries, guidelines for data coding/harmonisation, health data and linking different datasets, data visualisation tools.

The new colleague must be proactive and able to work independently across different projects and teams. S/he will have strong analytical skills as well as good communication and reporting skills and an ability to express scientific processes and results to non-experts in the field.

A strong motivation, enthusiasm and an excellent team-player are equally essential. Familiarity with working in an international environment is an asset. English level B2 or higher is required.

INDICATIVE CONTRACT'S DURATION:

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

PLACE OF WORK:

Ispira (IT)

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

or

- (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.