EUROPEAN COMMISSION

JOINT RESEARCH CENTRE

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FG IV – Scientific Project Officer - In-Vitro Diagnostics (IVD) expert

POSITION FOR:
Member of the contract staff IV – 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 in Directorate for Health, Consumers & Reference Materials, Consumer Products Safety Unit**.**

The mission of the Directorate is to provide independent scientific evidence for the development, implementation and evaluation of EU policies. The Directorate supports the priorities of the von der Leyen Commission: green deal, farm to fork, new industrial strategy, circular economy and promoting Health for European citizens.

The mission of the Unit is to provide scientific and technical support to the conception and implementation of relevant policies and legislations and to provide state-of-the art measurements and laboratory analyses, including method development, validation and transposition into internationally accepted test methods for standard regulatory use. In line with current EU priorities, the unit tackles analytical methods for nanomaterials, possible health and environmental risks of micro & nanoplastics, the safety and sustainability of new products & materials, the farm to fork initiative and emerging health challenges and the transformation of healthcare by technologies and new approaches.

Further information: https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en
https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/research-topic/nanotechnology
https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/research-topic/public-health

WE PROPOSE:
The JRC is offering a position for a contract agent in the context of high-risk health technologies and, specifically, the ongoing implementation of the novel Regulation on in vitro diagnostic (IVD) medical devices (Regulation (EU) 2017/746; so-called 'IVD Regulation'). The position focuses on the implementation of EU Reference Laboratories in the area of high-risk in vitro diagnostics for screening and diagnosis of infectious agents with a public health dimension, e.g. SARS-CoV-2, HIV, hepatitis, arboviruses, parasites and relevant bacterial agents.

The successful candidate will be expected to assist in:

a) Policy support to legislative implementation in collaboration with DG SANTE
   - In the definition of strategies, concepts, procedures and templates in the framework of the implementation of EU reference laboratories (EURLs) as foreseen in the IVD Regulation;
   - The establishment of reference documents;
   - Set-up and support the participation in a temporary evaluation panel for the assessment of suitability of applicant laboratories for EURLs.

b) JRC scientific activities in the area of emerging health stressors and innovative technologies. In particular:
   - Preparation of expert workshops, including the publication of the outcome in peer-reviewed journals;

- Scientific analyses (e.g. systematic reviews) on specific health technologies /procedures.

WE LOOK FOR:
The ideal candidate should have the following qualifications**:**

Essential:

- Post-graduate title (Specialisation and/ or PhD) in Biology, Biotechnology, Medicine, Pharmacology, or equivalent;
- Good capacity to evaluate scientific results/reports
- Good drafting skills
- Good interpersonal communication skills and ability to work in an international environment
- Positive and problem-solving attitude
- Ability to handle high workload when necessary and deliver under pressure.
- The working language will be English and a good knowledge of oral and written English (B2 level), as well as good communication and presentation skills are necessary.

Experience in the following areas would be strong assets:

- Technical knowledge/experience with in vitro diagnostics;
- Knowledge of EU medical devices legislations;
- Experience in organisation and negotiation with different stakeholders.

INDICATIVE CONTRACT'S DURATION:
36 months initial contract with possible renewals up to maximum 6 years.

PLACE OF WORK:
Ispra (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.