



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

JOINT RESEARCH CENTRE

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FG IV - Project Officer – Environmental pressure on water systems under the remit of European Union and United Nations policies

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 five 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.

The mission of Directorate 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, the blue economy and fisheries, the bioeconomy, industry and trade.

The Water and Marine Resources Unit provides scientific and technical support to Commission services. In particular, its mission is to carry out scientific assessments addressing societal and economic challenges deriving from the evolving vulnerability of the European and global water environment. It contributes innovative solutions to sustainably manage water resources in the face of increasing trends of global population, urbanisation, pollution, over-exploitation, land use and climate change and ensures that they are adequately linked to policy development and implementation.

WE PROPOSE:

We offer a position as a scientific project officer to support the development and implementation of targets and thresholds for nutrients and other physico-chemical elements across European Union policies underpinning the governance of water, and in support of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 6 – Clean Water and Sanitation.

The assignment requires the ability to translate state-of-the-art scientific knowledge on eutrophication, salinization, climate change and other pressures into coherent indicators and targets for nutrients and other indicators that are needed to advance the implementation of the Water Framework Directive, the Nitrates Directive, and the United Nations Strategic Development Goals. The work will contribute to key priorities under the European Union Green Deal, such as the Zero Pollution Action Plan, the Farm-to-fork and Biodiversity Strategies and the EU Climate Law.

The jobholder will work with a number of European Commission Directorate Generals, the European Environmental Agency as well as Member State and stakeholder representatives, for example in the context of the Water Framework Directive Common Implementation Strategy.

WE LOOK FOR:

We are looking for a highly motivated and skilled scientist with a strong relevant background and experience in setting targets and thresholds for nutrients and other physico-chemical elements.

The ideal candidate should have a PhD in earth sciences, ecology, environmental sciences or related fields, or, alternatively, at least 5 years of full time relevant research experience after the first University degree giving direct access to doctoral (PhD) studies.

Essential requirement is a thorough scientific knowledge in the field of eutrophication and other environmental pressures, caused by human activity.

Proven experience in lake and river ecological assessment and management is an asset.

Preferential requirements include experience in policy support.

Competence in writing reports, scientific publications and communication is an advantage.

A very good knowledge of English (B2) is required.

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 Joint Research Centre

- 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.