



VACANCY NOTICE – 2023-GEE-F1-FGIV-022917

CA FGIV - Project Officer – Quality assurance activities on cancer

Type of contract	Member of the European Commission's contract staff, Function Group IV (article 3b of the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants)
Duration of contract	36 months (renewable up to maximum 6 years)
Area	Health care quality activities on cancer
Place of employment	Geel (BE) with frequent travels to Ispra (IT)
Indicative basic salary	3877,47 - 5616,29 € (applicable as of 1 st of July 2022) For more detailed information please consult: Working Conditions .

WE ARE

The [Joint Research Centre \(JRC\)](#) provides independent, evidence-based knowledge and science, supporting EU policies to positively impact society.

The current vacancies are in Unit JRC.F1 Disease Prevention. Within its Directorate for Health and Food, the Disease Prevention 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.

The European Commission's Directorate General for Health and Food Safety (DG Sante), together with the Joint Research Centre (JRC), have established the European Commission Initiatives on Breast, Colorectal* and Cervical Cancer and are in the process to put in place the European Commission initiatives on gastric, lung and prostate cancer, subject to this vacancy notice. The activities are carried out in response to the amended Council Recommendation, adopted in December 2022**/**.

All initiatives consist of two main pillars each: i) evidence-based guidelines for cancer primary prevention, screening and diagnosis, reflecting the latest scientific developments, and ii) an associated quality assurance scheme for implementation in healthcare settings covering the entire care pathway.

*<https://healthcare-quality.jrc.ec.europa.eu/>

**European Health Union: new approach on cancer screening (europa.eu)

***[https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:32022H1213\(01\)&from=EN](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:32022H1213(01)&from=EN)



WE PROPOSE

The Unit is looking for two scientific/technical project officers assisting the activities in the area of cancer, in particular to collaborate on the development of European Quality Assurance (QA) schemes on cancer screening, diagnosis and follow-up care.

The jobholders will assist the activities in the area of cancer supporting the healthcare quality activities and in particular, carry out and/or oversee the execution of the quality assurance schemes for gastric, lung and/or prostate cancer developed internally or externally by collaborating entities.

They will also:

- Support and/or manage working group meetings and associated activities with international participation including the provision of background documentation.
- Steer and/or collaborate on tasks related to the development of evidence-based requirements and indicators covering the entire patient care pathway, as well as the definition of manuals and tools for all actors involved in an accredited certification process of cancer services.
- Ensure the application of a consistent methodological approach and information flow of the project products from conception until publication on the dedicated website.
- Support the collaborations with stakeholders, such as other Commission services as well as external entities, also representing the team.
- Support internal and external audiences (defining reports and/or supporting briefings, scientific publications, presentations to conferences, etc.);
- Attend dedicated training in the underpinning methodology for requirements/indicators developments.
- Provide scientific/technical support to the healthcare quality activities more generally.
- Support the contract management in the given topic areas.

WE LOOK FOR

We are looking for candidates with:

- University degree in biomedical disciplines, such as Medicine, Public Health, Epidemiology, or Life Sciences
- Three years of experience in at least one of the fields is required in: i) quality assurance applied to healthcare, and/or ii) activities related to cancer screening and care and/or iii) related fields of interest for cancer screening, diagnosis and care (e.g. medical laboratory, pathology, endoscopy)

Experience in quality assurance schemes/programmes/standards/indicators for cancer screening, diagnosis and/or care will constitute an advantage, as well as the knowledge in consensus reaching methodologies as applied by the existing breast and colorectal cancer initiative (<https://healthcare-quality.jrc.ec.europa.eu>).

The new colleagues must be proactive and able to work independently across different projects and teams. He or she will have a good ability to work on more than one project simultaneously, as well as good communication and reporting skills.

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.



APPLY

If you are **already on a valid CAST FG IV reserve list**, or you **have already applied to one of the calls below**, you can directly submit your application at <http://recruitment.jrc.ec.europa.eu/?type=AX>.

If not, before applying to this position, **you must register** for one of the two following Calls:

- the [Call for Expressions of Interest | EU Careers \(europa.eu\)](#) (CAST Permanent FG II/III/IV), which is used by a wide range of organisations (institutions, bodies, offices and agencies of the European Union), or
- the [specialised call for researchers](#) (JRC Call COM/1/2015/GFIV – Research), which is mainly used by the JRC.

Note that each of the calls above has **different minimum eligibility requirements and different selection tests**.

The JRC cultivates a workplace based on respect for other people and the environment, and embraces non-discriminatory practices and equality of opportunity. In case of equal merit, preference will be given to the gender in minority.