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- Interesting and challenging positions with plenty of opportunities for training and acquiring new skills and competencies over your whole career;
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- A competitive financial package, including comprehensive sickness, accident and pension schemes;
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We recruit from a wide range of backgrounds:

We are not only recruiting political scientists and lawyers but also looking for all kinds of profiles, including natural scientists, linguists and economists, as well as drivers and engineers.

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STAFF RECRUITED ON CONTRACTS

In addition to permanent officials, the European Commission often recruits non-permanent staff. There are two categories of non-permanent staff:

- [temporary agents](#) are recruited to fill vacant positions for a set amount of time or to perform highly specialised tasks.
- [contract agents](#) may provide additional capacity in specialised fields where an insufficient number of officials is available or carry out a number of administrative or manual tasks. They are generally recruited for fixed-term contracts (maximum 6 years in any EU Institution), but in some cases they can be offered contracts for an indefinite duration (in offices, agencies, delegations or representations).

For more information on different [staff categories](#).



PROJECT OFFICER - SCIENTIFIC

DG JRC of the European Commission

Selection reference: JRC/COM/2024/1511

Domain: Climate, Environment and Natural Resources

Where: Unit JRC.C.5 - Clean Air and Climate – Ispra, Italy

Staff category and Function Group: Temporary agent 2d - Administrator

Grade: AD 5-7

Publication deadline: 19.07.2024 - 12.00 (Brussels time)

WE ARE

The Joint Research Centre provides independent, evidence-based knowledge and science, supporting EU policies to positively impact society.

The current vacancy is in the Directorate for Energy, Mobility and Climate. Its mission is to provide support to EU policies and technology innovation related to:

- Energy – to ensure sustainable, safe, secure and efficient energy production, distribution and use.
- Mobility – to foster sustainable and efficient mobility in Europe.
- Climate – to provide scientific and technical analyses in support to integrated air quality, climate and related policies.

The vacancy is within the **Clean Air and Climate** Unit which has the task of providing scientific and technical analyses in support of integrated air quality, climate and related policies. It is committed to the evaluation of emissions of greenhouse gases and air pollutants, to measuring and modelling atmospheric components of relevance for human health, ecosystems and climate and to the harmonisation of monitoring and modelling techniques.

The post is located in Ispra, Italy. More details can be found at: <https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en>

WE PROPOSE

We propose a challenging position for a highly motivated scientist to reinforce the JRC support to the integrated impact assessment studies, looking at past and projected impacts of EU Green Deal priorities on air quality parameters, its effects on health, food production and ecosystems and co-benefits with climate policy, including interactions between European and global trends.

The jobholder will be expected to produce knowledge relevant to policy developments in this field.

The main tasks of the selected candidate will consist of the following:

- Maintain state-of-the-art knowledge in the field of atmospheric sciences in general and impact assessment modelling in particular;
- Design policy-relevant scientific research activities in the area of air pollution and climate change;
- Carry out model runs for policy scenarios, validate and evaluate model output related to air pollution and climate change;



- Carry out the activities in full respect with the occupational health and safety guidelines and regulations in place at the Ispra;
- Ensure at operative level an optimal relationship with the users at Directorates General and Member States;
- Initiate and maintain partnerships and networks in the scientific community in the EU and worldwide;
- Publish in peer reviewed scientific journals;
- “Translate” scientific results into a language understandable for end-users;
- Communicate scientific results in line with the EC/JRC rules and through the unit Communication Task Force representative.

WE LOOK FOR

Candidates with university degree in environmental sciences, chemistry, physics, environmental engineering, environmental economics or closely related disciplines. Excellent command of computer script languages (R, Python).

At least 3 years hands-on experience in air quality modelling, modelling impacts of air pollution or integrated assessment modelling.

Excellent command of written and spoken English (C1) as well as very good command of another EU official language. An excellent publication record in peer reviewed journals.

Strong background in the domain of chemistry, physics, environmental engineering, environmental economics or closely related disciplines, acquired through education and/or appropriate relevant professional experience.

Experience in health impact assessment, cost- benefit analysis or air quality and climate co-benefit assessment. Good skills in writing and communicating to scientific and policy audiences as well as the general public. Experience in international and multidisciplinary working environment. A good knowledge on European goals and policies with respect to EU Green Deal.



HOW TO EXPRESS YOUR INTEREST?

You should send your documents in a single pdf in the following order:

1. your CV 2. motivation letter 3. duly filled in application form.

Please send these documents by the publication deadline to HR-JRC-OFFICIALS-TEMPORARY-AGENTS-SELECTION@ec.europa.eu indicating the selection reference JRC/COM/2024/1511 in the subject.

No applications will be accepted after the publication deadline.



ANNEX

1. Selection

➤ Am I eligible to apply?

You must meet the following eligibility criteria when you validate your application:

Our rules provide that you can only be recruited as a temporary agent at the European Commission if you:

General criteria:

- Are a citizen of a Member State of the EU and enjoy full rights as a citizen;
- Have fulfilled any obligations imposed by applicable laws concerning military service;
- Are physically fit to perform the duties linked to the post;
- Produce the appropriate character references as to suitability for the performance of the duties.

Qualifications:

In order to be recruited in this position, you must have at least a level of education which corresponds to completed university studies of at least 3 years attested by a diploma.

Only qualifications issued or recognised as equivalent by EU Member State authorities (e.g. by the Ministry of Education) will be accepted. Furthermore, before recruitment, you will be required to provide the documents that corroborate the eligibility criteria (diplomas, certificates and other supporting documents).

Languages:

- have a thorough knowledge (minimum level C1) of one of the 24 official languages of the EU¹
- AND a satisfactory knowledge (minimum level B2) of a second official language of the EU, to the extent necessary for the performance of the duties.

¹ The official languages of the European Union are: BG (Bulgarian), CS (Czech), DA (Danish), DE (German), EL (Greek), EN (English), ES (Spanish), ET (Estonian), FI (Finnish), FR (French), GA (Irish), HR (Croatian), HU (Hungarian), IT (Italian), LT (Lithuanian), LV (Latvian), MT (Maltese), NL (Dutch), PL (Polish), PT (Portuguese), RO (Romanian), SK (Slovak), SL (Slovenian), SV (Swedish).



➤ **What about the selection steps?**

The post was published internally within the Commission, inter-institutionally, and brought to the attention of competition laureates.

In accordance with Article 29 of the Staff Regulations, applications from Commission officials, officials from other Institutions, and laureates of competitions have priority. Only in the case that no suitable candidate can be found from the afore-mentioned categories this vacancy notice is published and is open to other applicants².

The selection panel will choose a limited number of candidates for interview, based on the CV and motivation letter that they submitted. Due to the large volume of applications, we may receive, **only candidates selected for the next step of the selection phase will be notified.**

For operational reasons and in order to complete the selection procedure as quickly as possible in the interest of the candidates and of the institution, the selection procedure will be carried out in English and possibly in a second official language.

2. Recruitment

The candidate selected for recruitment will be requested to supply documentary evidence in support of the statements made in their application.

The successful candidate will be required to undergo a mandatory pre-recruitment medical check-up, carried out by the Commission.

➤ **Type of contract and working conditions**

The place of employment will be in **Ispra**.

In case the successful candidate is an external candidate, s/he will be engaged as a **temporary agent under Article 2(d) of the [Conditions of Employment of Other Servants](#), in function group AD.**

The recruitment grade, as well as the step in that grade, will be defined on the basis of the duration of the candidates' previous appropriate professional experience, in accordance with [Commission Decision C\(2013\)8970](#) laying down the criteria applicable to classification in step on engagement.

² Officials from the Commission or other Institutions are invited to use the standard channels (Sysper or inter-institutional vacancy portal).



The duration of the **1st contract will be of 1 to 3 years**. The contract might then be extended only once for a maximum of 2 years and in the interest of service. The duration of the extension will be defined according to the General Implementation Rules in force at that moment, in accordance with [Commission Decision C\(2013\)9049](#) on policies for the engagement and use of temporary agents.

All new staff have to successfully complete a 9-month probationary period.

The pay of staff members consists of a basic salary supplemented with specific allowances, including, where applicable, expatriation and family allowances. The provisions guiding the calculation of these allowances can be consulted in the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants. As a member of staff of the European institutions, your pay is subject to a tax raised by those institutions.

The European Commission applies a policy of equal opportunities and non-discrimination in accordance with Article 1d of the Staff Regulations.

Should you need further information on working conditions, please refer to [Working conditions and benefits of EU Careers](#).

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