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Do you want to help shape the future of the European Union? Make the planet greener, promote a fairer society, or support businesses and innovation across the EU? Then come and work for the European Commission where you can really make a difference!

Commission staff are a diverse group of people, who are motivated to help make Europe – and the world – a better place. They come from the 27 Member States of the European Union. Different nationalities, languages and cultures make the Commission a vibrant and inclusive working place.

### **WE OFFER ATTRACTIVE WORKING CONDITIONS AND MUCH MORE:**

- Interesting and challenging positions with plenty of opportunities for training and acquiring new skills and competencies over your whole career;
- Opportunities to try several areas of work throughout your career;
- Flexible working conditions and the possibility of teleworking – we care about your work-life balance;
- A competitive financial package, including comprehensive sickness, accident and pension schemes;
- Multilingual schools for your kids;
- We are also proud to be an equal opportunity employer and promote diversity and inclusion.

### **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.

For more information [ec.europa.eu/work-with-us](https://ec.europa.eu/work-with-us).



## 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](#).



# Policy Officer

## in DG RTD of the European Commission

**Job title\*:** Policy Officer - Clean energy transition - renewable energy and hydrogen

**Domain\*\*:** Science and Research

**Where:** Unit RTD.C2 – Clean Energy Transitions, Brussels

**Function Group:** FG IV

**Contract Type:** 3b

**Express your interest until:** 10.01.2025 - before 12.00 (noon), Brussels time

### WE ARE

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The Clean Energy Transitions Unit in DG Research and Innovation supports the transition towards sustainable, clean, safe and affordable energy and contribute to its implementation at global level. It drives R&I for the development of clean energy solutions along the entire value chain (from production to storage and utilisation, including transformation and substitution) in synergy with public and private partners. Our goal is to reduce the impact on the planet including on climate change and the use of planetary resources, while matching the needs and expectations of citizens and the industry for clean and affordable energy. To achieve this goal, we coordinate R&I policies and actions on energy with national and local authorities (in particular through the Strategic Energy Technology (SET) Plan, ERA and via the mobilisation of funding authorities), the private sector and civil society, as well as with international organisations.

The purpose of this job is to support the work of the SET Plan secretariat, the work of the unit on Hydrogen Valleys and to mainstream Social Sciences and Humanities in the policy areas covered by the unit.

### WE PROPOSE

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RTD.C2 is seeking to hire a Contractual Agent FG IV to work as Policy Officer on Clean Energy Transitions - renewable energy and hydrogen.

We propose a post for a policy officer in a friendly and stimulating work environment, with challenging tasks, notably:

- Contribute to the development, implementation and monitoring of the SET Plan, with a strong focus on its major policy objectives and the DG's broader research and innovation policies.



- Provide quality support to the hydrogen team for the development of the European network of Hydrogen Valleys, liaising with other DGs, Executive Agencies and Joint Undertakings, International Organisations, category associations and key stakeholders.
- Act as focal point for UK association to SET Plan and the energy part of Cluster 5.
- Provide support to the preparation of new policy initiatives in the unit, in particular related to Social Sciences and Humanities and Citizens' engagement.

## **WE LOOK FOR**

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We are looking for a dynamic, motivated and enthusiastic colleague with a strong background and working experience in policy development and monitoring, as well as knowledge of the key EU and international policy frameworks, programmes and initiatives.

Professional experience in energy and technology policies, as well as in science and research would be highly appreciated.

Ideally, we are looking for a colleague with an academic background or work experience in the area of renewable energy production or storage.

The colleague should have an excellent team spirit and interpersonal skills, sense of responsibility, initiative, flexibility, and should be able to work autonomously. The person chosen for the post should be well-organised and possess very good inter-personal skills. Excellent drafting and communication skills in English are an advantage. A good knowledge of French will be considered as an asset.

## **HOW TO EXPRESS YOUR INTEREST?**

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With a view to guaranteeing equal access to all, the Commission recruits from an open database of spontaneous applications. The present call for interests aims at helping the recruiters to identify potentially interested candidates within this database.

In practice, to express your interest, please follow the subsequent two steps:

1. If you are not registered yet in the open EPSO database, please do so at the following address: [CAST Permanent](#). Please select under selection procedures for contract agent the CAST permanent profile that best suits your education and experience.
2. 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 [xxxx@ec.europa.eu](mailto:xxxx@ec.europa.eu) indicating the call for interest reference EC/2024/RTD/450506 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 contract 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 position;
- Produce the appropriate character references as to suitability for the performance of the duties.
- Have passed an EPSO CAST in the relevant Function Group for this position. At the stage of the application, it is sufficient to be registered in the [EPSO CAST](#) data base.

##### Qualifications:

- (a) Have a level of education which corresponds to completed university studies of at least three 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.

##### Languages:

- have a thorough knowledge (minimum level C1) of one of the 24 official languages of the EU<sup>1</sup>
- AND have a satisfactory knowledge (minimum level B2)<sup>2</sup> of a second official language of the EU, to the extent necessary for the performance of the duties.

#### ➤ What about the selection steps?

The selecting unit chooses from the EPSO database<sup>3</sup> candidates with the appropriate profile and invites them to an interview. For the interview a selection panel is set-up to assess the best

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<sup>1</sup> 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).

<sup>2</sup> For details on language levels, please see the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (<https://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/resources/european-language-levels-cefr>).



candidates. Due to the large volume of applications that we may receive only candidates selected for the interview 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 provide documentary evidence in support of the statements made in the database and, where relevant, the call for interest.

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 **Brussels**.

The successful candidate will be engaged as a **contract agent under Article 3(b) of the [Conditions of Employment of Other Servants](#), in function group FG IV**. General information on Contract Agents can be found at this link.

The grade or proposed grade range, as well as the step in that grade, will be defined on the basis of the candidates' previous professional experience, in accordance with [Commission Decision C\(2017\)6760](#) laying down the criteria applicable to classification in step on engagement.

The duration of the first **contract will be 1 year**. Subject to the interest of the service, the contract can be extended to a maximum duration of 6 years.

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\(2017\)6760](#) on policies for the engagement and use of contract agents.

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

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<sup>3</sup> Therefore, candidates who did not pass already a CAST on the level Function Group IV, should register their profile at this [address](#).



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](#).

For information related to Data Protection, please see the Specific [Privacy Statement](#) under “7. Information to data subjects on their rights”, to find your rights and how to exercise them in addition to the privacy statement, which summarises the processing of your data.