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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.

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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:

- <u>temporary agents</u> are recruited to fill vacant positions for a set amount of time or to perform highly specialised tasks.
- <u>contract agents</u> 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.



# **Budget Officer**

# in DG BUDG of the European Commission

Job title: Budget Officer Domain: Economics Finance and Statistics Where: Unit A.1.001 - "Budgetary procedures and execution, relations with the budget Committees", Brussels Function Group: FG IV Contract Type: 3b Express your interest until: 24/01/2024 - 18.00 (Brussels time)

#### WE ARE

Within Directorate A (Expenditure), Unit BUDG A.1 is in charge of coordinating the preparation of the Commission's Draft Budget and of following up the Budgetary procedures and execution, including relations with the Budget Committees of the Council and European Parliament. The unit is also responsible for monitoring the implementation of the budget and reporting to the budgetary authority, coordination of preparation and adoption of amending budgets, transfers and carry-overs. As a result, the Unit offers a great opportunity not only to understand how the budget contributes to reaching the main EU's political priorities and how it can reflect to rapid developments and unforeseen events but also to contribute to this process. We are a relatively small team (13) of dedicated and experienced colleagues who collaborate and get on really well together, work hard but have fun as well.

Following the 2023 staff survey and Commission-wide awards, DG BUDG is recognised for its staff engagement, quality of its Middle Management and greening efforts. Ensuring staff engagement remains high on our agenda, which is why we are keen to provide support for career development, specialised training and ensure smooth newcomers' integration.

#### WE PROPOSE

An interesting and challenging job as Budget Officer. This work involves the collection, encoding, preparation and analysis of budgetary data relevant for analytical and political work, the verification of data correctness and completeness, the preparation of specific reporting and analysis in close cooperation with colleagues and sector/unit management.

In particular, as part of the sector "Budgetary systems, processes and documents", the colleague will fulfil the duties of Business Analyst and Process Management notably for the main IT applications and tools including Badge-bud (budget preparation tool) and CIBA/IBIS (budget translation and publication tool). In this context, the job holder will be required to have (or to acquire rapidly) a good understanding of the main tools, to provide analytical and technical



assistance to various users, and to gather and analyse business needs in agreement with the Unit's management and the IT development teams. He/She will also perform user acceptance tests and validation of these new developments.

The job offers a wide variety of tasks, which could be adapted according to the skills and interest of the job holder and involves interactions with colleagues in DG BUDG and other DGs as well as with colleagues from other Institutions.

The unit offers a friendly and stimulating working atmosphere. Budget Assistants are given a high degree of autonomy and responsibility. Discussions and exchange of opinions are encouraged.

#### WE LOOK FOR

We are looking for a dynamic and motivated official with strong analytical skills and interest in handling figures/statistics and in database management. Experience in using IT tools and very good data processing skills notably with Excel are required. Good drafting skills together with a good sense of numbers is of essence. A proven previous experience in the EU annual budgetary procedure and knowledge of the specific budgetary tools would be considered as a plus.

We look for a team player, with initiative and attention to detail, ready to accept responsibility, and is eager to learn and join a dynamic unit with a result-oriented attitude, open mind and very friendly atmosphere. The candidate should be able to draft clearly and concisely and express him/herself clearly in English. Knowledge of other EU languages would be an asset.

#### HOW TO EXPRESS YOUR INTEREST?

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: <u>CAST Permanent</u>. Please select under selection procedures for contract agent the CAST permanent profile that best suits your education and experience.
- You should send your documents in a single pdf in the following order:

   your CV
   motivation letter
   duly filled in application form.

  Please send these documents by the publication deadline to BUDG-MAILBOX-A01@ec.europa.eu indicating the call for interest reference EC/2025/BUDG/466453 in the subject.

#### No applications will be accepted after the publication deadline.



# 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 <u>EPSO CAST</u> 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

<sup>&</sup>lt;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>&</sup>lt;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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Therefore, candidates who did not pass already a CAST on the level Function Group [<mark>IV</mark>], should register their profile at this <u>address</u>.



# 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 checkup 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** <u>Conditions of Employment of Other Servants</u>, **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 <u>Commission Decision</u> C(2017)6760 laying down the criteria applicable to classification in step on engagement.

The duration of the first **contract will be of 1 years.** 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 <u>Commission Decision C(2017)6760</u> on policies for the engagement and use of contract 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 <u>Working conditions and</u> <u>benefits of EU Careers</u>.



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