EUROPEAN COMMISSION JOINT RESEARCH CENTRE

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FGIV – PROJECT OFFICER SCIENTIFIC/TECHNICAL SUPPORT OFFICER - EXPLORATORY RESEARCH PROJECT A HEALTHY MIND IN A HEALTHY ECOSYSTEM (HELIOS)

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 5 Member States (Belgium, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands and Spain). Further information is available at http://ec.europa.eu/jrc/

The JRC offers a vacancy for a Contract Agent within the Exploratory Research Project HELIOS (A healthy mind in a healthy ecosystem).

The JRC Exploratory Research Programme (ER) is a strategic initiative characterised by ideas that might lead to novel results to qualitatively enrich current JRC scientific work.

The vacancy is within the Directorate for Health, Consumers and Reference Materials, which provides independent scientific evidence for the development, implementation and evaluation of EU policies, mainly in the areas of standardisation, public health, food and feed safety and authenticity, cosmetics and other consumer products, medical devices, nanomaterials, taxation with a focus on fraud and a well-functioning EU internal market.

The ER Project HELIOS will explore, in an interdisciplinary way, how the presence of nearby nature and green space as well as the quality of the living environment have an impact on our mental health and well-being, offering insights for planners and policymakers for the design and management of places in times of a health crisis and beyond it.

The successful candidate will be in charge of all aspects of the HELIOS project :

- Identifying adequate indicators for the assessment of the mental health of populations and appropriate data sources (e.g. health records, registries, surveys) for the selected indicators;
- Synthesising, analysing and interpreting data from mental health information sources;
- Describing trends (e.g. pre-Covid-19, during Covid-19 confinement, post general confinement) and effects of exposure to nature and green space on mental health;
- Dissemination/publication of results.

Position for:

FG IV - Project Officer -Scientific/Technical Support Officer

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	 Qualifications: Essential: A doctoral diploma in mental health or related field, alternatively completed university studies of at least three years attested by a diploma and at least five years professional experience in a field relevant to the position; Extensive knowledge/experience in health data collection, analysis and interpretation; Broad knowledge in the area of public health.
	 Advantage: Knowledge of epidemiological methods (e.g., statistics and statistical software; Solid record of research activities relevant for the post including publications in international peer-reviewed journals, Ability to work in a team and in a multi-cultural environment; The candidate is expected to be creative and work independently.
	Good oral and written communication skills in English (B2) are essential, knowledge of other languages is an advantage.
	The Joint Research Centre is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to increasing the diversity of its staff. It welcomes applications from women and minority groups.
Directorate Unit	Health, Consumers and Reference Materials Health in Society
Project	The Scientific Development Unit of the Directorate for Strategy and Work Programme Coordination is in charge of the overall JRC Exploratory Research Programme.
	The desk-based scientific research will take place in the unit Health in Society in Ispra (Italy).
	Exploratory Research Project: A Healthy Mind In A Healthy Ecosystem (Helios)
	Further information is available at: https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/about/jrc-in-brief
Indicative Duration	24 months
JRC Site	Ispra
Country	Italy
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The candidate must be on a valid EPSO reserve list for Function Group IV contract staff.

If you are not in any valid EPSO reserve list for Function Group IV contract staff, you can still apply by following these steps.

You express your interest by applying to the CAST Permanent or to the permanent JRC Call for researchers.

- 1. CAST Permanent: open-ended selection procedure to create a pool of candidates from which the institutions, bodies, offices and agencies of the European Union (EU) can recruit contract agents. https://epso.europa.eu/documents/2240_en
- 2. JRC Call COM/1/2015/GFIV Research: open-ended selection procedure to create a pool of candidates from which mainly the JRC can recruit contract agents FGIV as researchers. Details available at the link below:

https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/working-withus/jobs/vacancies/function-group-IV-researchers

Only then you can apply for this specific position, through http://recruitment.jrc.ec.europa.eu/?type=AX

Auxiliary contract staff:

https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/working-withus/jobs/temporary-positions/contract-staff-members

Article 3b of the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union applies: the actual period of employment within the Commission under this type of contract, including any period under renewal, shall not exceed 6 years.

Please note that in case a high number of applications is received only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

Rules and eligibility