

VACANCY NOTICE – 2026-JRC.B.5-SVQ-FGIV-003206

FG IV – Project Officer – Sustainable Industry

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	Environmental sciences, resource efficiency, decarbonisation, chemical industry, circular economy, energy and climate, industrial processes, innovation
Place of employment	Seville (ES)
Indicative basic salary	4.449,31 - 6.444,59 € (applicable as of 1 st of July 2025) 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 JRC is located in 5 Member States (Belgium, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands and Spain).

The current vacancy is in Unit B5 – 'Circular Economy and Sustainable Industry' of the Directorate B– 'Fair and Sustainable Economy' of the JRC. The working place of the unit is the [JRC site in Seville, Spain](#), home to an international community of around 400 researchers and economic and policy analyst.

JRC Unit B5 uses interdisciplinary science and methods to provide evidence that informs circular economy, industrial transformation / transition policies and green investments. B5 scientific officers apply a wide range of analytical and modelling tools and generate robust evidence through scientific rigour and structured stakeholder outreach. The science for policy insights of unit B5 are, wherever feasible and appropriate, co-created with interested parties, most prominently in an inclusive engagement method, the 'Sevilla Process'.

The Unit has currently 70 staff, grouped in five research teams. The current vacancy is specifically in the [European Bureau for Research on Industrial Transformation and Emissions \(EU-BRITE\)](#), the team supporting the implementation of the revised Industrial Emissions Directive (IED). The main task of EU-BRITE is to steer the exchange of information on Best Available Techniques (BAT) to draw up and regularly review BAT reference documents (the so-called [BREFs](#)) for large industrial installations, as well as the Uniform Conditions for Operating Rules for Livestock (poultry and pigs rearing). This includes drafting the environmental norms that such installations must comply with. In addition, EU-BRITE has been given the responsibility of setting up and operating the new [EU Innovation Centre for Industrial Transformation and Emissions \(INCITE\)](#). INCITE aims to

accelerate the greening of industry through the identification and evaluation of innovative techniques for decarbonisation, depollution, resource efficiency and circular economy.

EU-BRITE is a growing multicultural and multinational team of 26 highly motivated talents.

WE OFFER

- Work in a multicultural, dynamic, very interactive and well-structured team, in a job where trust, self-organisation and independence are appreciated. Internet-based collaboration tools are provided and are used extensively.
- A unique opportunity to support EU policies, in a vibrant and multidisciplinary work environment. Exchanges with experts from Member States, industry associations, environmental non-governmental organisations promoting the protection of the environment, Research and Technology Organisations, Technology Providers, European agencies and other services of the European Commission are part of the day-to-day activities.
- A family-friendly working environment in Seville, with online collaboration and occasional travel, working with international colleagues based in Brussels, Petten or Ispra.

Please see also [Working at the Commission – conditions and environment \(europa.eu\)](https://european-commission.europa.eu/working-at-the-commission-conditions-and-environment)

WE PROPOSE

We propose a stimulating position as *Project Officer – Sustainable Industry* in the JRC B5's EU-BRITE team.

The successful candidate will carry out and coordinate an exchange of information on Best Available Techniques (BAT) in the framework of the revised IED to draw up or review BAT reference documents (BREFs)

The selected candidate will be in charge of a wide range of tasks including, but not limited to:

- Contributing to the development of BREF(s) for the sector(s) allocated, including drafting those documents;
- Supporting data management, visualisation and analysis in the EU-BRITE's day-to-day activities using specific IT tools (e.g. Qlik Sense);
- Contributing to the preparation of briefings, written consultations, responses to requests, presentations and policy notes and the drafting and maintenance of procedures;
- Validating the information provided by cross-referencing it with alternative sources of information, by organising peer reviews of information under the supervision of the scientific officer responsible;
- Communicating scientific results in line with the European Commission and Joint Research Centre's rules and according to the unit's quality rules, including publishing research in peer-reviewed journals and other professional publications including EU policy and technical publications;
- Presenting the work of the unit in the European and international scientific community, collaborating in scientific and policy symposia, workshops and conferences, and providing presentations to international audience and key events.

- Collecting information on innovative techniques in the field of decarbonisation, depollution, resource efficiency and circular economy in large (agro-)industrial installations.

WE LOOK FOR

We are looking for a new colleague passionate about working at the forefront of science and EU sustainability policy with a solid technical background and experience in industrial, process engineering as well as EU industrial, climate and environmental policy.

Candidates must have **(essential)**:

- Completed a PhD or must have gained at least 3 years of professional experience in a relevant field, e.g. chemistry, engineering, environmental sciences, energy and climate, industrial processes, after university studies of at least 4 years.
- Very good level of written and spoken English (C1 level) and knowledge of at least another EU language.

Candidates should also have **(highly desirable)**:

- Job-related experience of at least 3 years in an energy-intensive industrial sector covered under the Industrial Emissions Directive including:
 - experience in industrial, chemical and process engineering, environmental issues and regulation of industry and of environmental policy in the EU;
 - familiarity with the Industrial Emissions Directive and the concepts contained in it;
 - specific knowledge and/or hands-on experience with breakthrough technologies for decarbonisation, depollution, resource efficiency (including energy efficiency) or circular economy.
- Knowledge and experience of at least 1 year in database (e.g. Oracle or other) or web-portal development and management.
- At least 1 year of experience in a multicultural and international environment.

The following points are considered valuable **assets**:

- Job-related experience of at least 5 years related to the environmental regulation of the chemical industry sector covered by the Industrial Emissions Directive;
- Be analytical and have very good quantitative skills;
- Be able to collect, analyse and synthesise information, make sense of large amounts of data and make decisions or recommendations based on solid analysis;
- Be well-organised, with strong self-motivation and organisational skills, resilient when working under tight deadlines;
- Be a natural team player and proactive communicator;
- Be able to work proactively, quickly, efficiently and collaboratively in response to ad-hoc requests and to interact with a range of stakeholders;
- Have very good drafting skills, being able to synthesise large amounts of techno-economic information in a clear and comprehensive manner;
- Be confident, assertive, practical and innovative, open to working hands-on and independently on diverse challenges and topics in parallel.

- Experience in the management of large projects and contracts and in the organisation and management of stakeholder groups during hybrid and/or in-person meetings. Readiness to initiate and nurture contacts and productive cooperation with colleagues from other JRC units and Commission services.
- Experience and knowledge about battery manufacturing.

HOW TO 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 [JRC Recruitment Portal](#).

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

- the [Call for Expressions of Interest | EU Careers \(europa.eu\)](#) (CAST Permanent FG IV), which is used by a wide range of organisations (institutions, bodies, offices and agencies of the European Union), or
- the [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.