

NOTICE OF VACANCY

SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERTS

1. Directorate general	: DG-JRC
- Directorate	: Institute of Environment and Sustainability
- Unit	: H05 - Rural, Water and Ecosystem Resources
- Place	: Ispra, Italy
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- Suggested date of beginning	: 1st March 2009

Main areas of responsibility: We are looking for a candidate to carry out analyses of tradeoffs and trends in ecosystem services. Through case studies the candidate will develop approaches for the valuation of ecosystem services and how to link requirements for the conservation of living ecosystems and habitats with opportunities for economic development. She/he will participate in the development of future scenarios on the impacts of EU environmental policies combining economic and biophysical (e.g. for water, land use) modelling. The candidate will use cost benefit analysis in the valuation scheme of alternative scenarios including sociological, economical and environmental factors. Networking with European research organizations and policy makers at European and national level is envisaged. Assessments will be carried out as a support to water- and nature-related EU policies.

3. Main qualifications: The ideal candidate should have a strong background in environmental economics. She/he should have extended experience in economic modelling linked to environmental assessment and be familiar with various statistical techniques. Acquaintance with environmental policies at European level would be an asset. Additional attributes include familiarity with a team working environment, and capacity of initiative in relation to international collaborations and external contacts.

Languages: Good written and oral English communication skills