

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Job Description Form

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Job Holder

Name

Job Profile

Position

CONTRACT AGENT FGIV

Job title

Finance and Contracts Officer - Verification

Domains

Generic domain

EXTERNAL RELATIONS

Intermediate domain

Specific domain

BUDGET, FINANCE, CONTRACTS and ACCOUNTING

Sensitive job

No

Overall purpose

To perform financial and contractual management of projects and contracts in compliance with the applicable rules and to provide support and advice to operational colleagues on financial & contractual issues, under the supervision of an official.

Legal disclaimer

Please note that as per article 80 of the Conditions of Employment of other Servants of the European Union the work of all Function Groups of Contract Agents should take place under the supervision of an official or a temporary agent.

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Functions and duties

+ BUDGET, FINANCE, CONTRACTS and ACCOUNTING

- Assist operational colleagues and contribute to the preparation of contracts (grants, service / supply contracts, contribution agreements or others) with the selected beneficiary / contractors / implementing partners.
- Carry out financial initiation tasks for new contracts and riders/amendments to existing contracts.
- Encode and process invoices in SUMMA. Ensure the financial Initiation of payments, forecasts of revenue, and recovery orders in compliance with the contract and/or financial rules
- Prepare notes and analysis on relevant financial and contractual issues.
- Provide advice and support on financial and contractual procedures and rules during the whole project cycle. Provide on-the-job training regarding contractual and financial issues.
- Analyse the financial and contractual aspects of the proposed implementation modalities of Annual Action Programmes to ensure legality and regularity with respect to the applicable rules and regulations and provide adequate advice to the operational team.

+ PROCUREMENT and CONTRACT MANAGEMENT

- Advise operational team on procurement and grant procedures, in particular in cases of application of crisis procedures.
- Participate in the preparation of the calls for proposals guidelines and tender files and dossiers in accordance with the approved financial circuits (routing slips, checklists, encoding in CRIS/SUMMA/OPSYS/PPMT, archiving).
- Participate in evaluation committees for the selection and the award of contracts and grants.
- Prepare evaluation reports of tenders and calls for proposals.
- Participate in the preparation of contracts and addenda in line with the financial circuits (routing slips, checklists, encoding in CRIS/SUMMA/OPSYS, archiving).

+ FINANCIAL and BUDGETARY MANAGEMENT

- Assist operational units with the preparation of annual forecasts for payments and contracts.
 Follow-up the execution of forecasts throughout the year and alert the hierarchy on any significant delay / deviation.
- Ensure the implementation and follow-up of of the recommendations from audits/ verifications/Court of Auditors/IAS and other control bodies.
- Ensure compliance of financial transaction with the Early Detection and Exclusion System (EDES). Assess and ensure the validity of bank guarantees.
- Ensure the quality and coherence of financial data in the different information systems (CRIS, OPSYS, SUMMA). Carry out corrections as part of the Data Quality campaigns when required.
- File original contracts, original invoices and all other related documents in accordance with the rules of archiving.

+ BUDGET and FINANCE

- Create legal entity files (LEF) and Bank account files (FIF).
- Participate in the analysis of requests for payment, and payment of advance payments in line with the financial circuits (routing slips, checklists, encoding in CRIS/SUMMA/OPSYS, archiving).
- Other tasks: prepare letters, notes for the file, etc. monitoring tables.
- Monitor the implementation dates of the contracts, drawing the attention of the operational team to potential decommitments and closures.
- Participate in the preparation of closure files according to the approved financial circuits (routing slips, checklists, encoding in CRIS/SUMMA/OPSYS, archiving).
- Monitor payment deadlines and suspension of payments, in order to ensure compliance with payments deadlines.

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+ AUDIT, CONTROL and INSPECTION

- Provide assistance for "on the spot" and audit missions.
- Follow up audited contracts.
- Assist in the collection of the necessary information for audit and control by Commission services or the European Court of Auditors.

+ INFORMATION and DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT

- Correctly apply the Commission's document management rules to the documents for which
 the official/agent is responsible, following the instructions of the HOU/HoS and with the help
 of the DMO correspondent in the unit
- Correct encoding in CRIS/SUMMA/OPSYS, including uploading of documents.
- Correct use of Ares.

Job requirements

Experience"

+ AUDIT, CONTROL and INSPECTION

Job-Related experience:at least 1 year

Qualifier:an advantage

+ PROCUREMENT and CONTRACT MANAGEMENT, BUDGET and FINANCE, BUDGET,

FINANCE, CONTRACTS and ACCOUNTING

Job-Related experience: at least 2 years

Qualifier:desirable

+ ACCOUNTING

Job-Related experience:at least 1 year

Qualifier:essential

Experience within the EU institutions, a EU Delegation or one of the agencies would be an advantage. Knowledge of the management information system CRIS/SUMMA/OPSYS would be an advantage. Background in law and/or accounting/business administration would be an asset.

Languages

	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	Writing
French	B1	B1	B1	B1	B1
English	C1	C1	C1	C1	C1

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Knowledge

BUDGET, FINANCE, CONTRACTS and ACCOUNTING

Analysis of financial documents

Financial information systems

BUDGET and FINANCE

Budgetary requirements, allocations, monitoring and reporting

Financial circuits

Preparation of financial dossiers

Rules and procedures relating to grants

PROCUREMENT and CONTRACT MANAGEMENT

Rules and procedures concerning calls for proposals, calls for tenders, contracts, task letters

Rules and procedures relating to the preparation of contracts

AUDIT, CONTROL and INSPECTION

INTERNAL AUDIT

Financial control and audit environment in the Institution

- OPERATIONAL and ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT and RESOURCES
- IT TOOLS for SPECIFIC APPLICATION AREAS

IT tools for FINANCE, BUDGET and CONTRACTS and ACCOUNTING

Accounting systems

CRIS (Common Relex Information System) Saisie Budget

IT tools for OFFICE AUTOMATION

Excel

Outlook

Word

IT tools for EXTERNAL RELATIONS

IT tools for DEVELOMENT AID

INSTITUTION-LEVEL COORDINATION and CONSULTATION

INTER-SERVICE COORDINATION and CONSULTATION

Inter-service consultations and their procedures

INTER-INSTITUTIONAL RELATIONS

Administrative rules and procedures of the institutions of the European Communities Committee meetings in EU Institutions

Inter-institutional procedures

• INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (generic)

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION and DEVELOPMENT

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Competences

Analysing and Problem Solving

Ability to conceptualise problems, identify and implement solutions

Capacity to analyse and structure information

Numeracy

Communicating

Ability to communicate in meetings

Ability to understand and be understood

Capacity to communicate technical or specialised information

Drafting skills

Negotiation skills

Delivering Quality and Results

Ability to work in a proactive and autonomous way

Capacity to act upon problems

Eye for detail / Accuracy

Financial management skills

Pragmatism

Learning and Development

Flexibility (openness towards new demands, etc.)

Working with Others

Ability to work in a team

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Organisational entity

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Presentation of the entity:
Job related issues
 [] Atypical working hours [] Specialised Job Missions [] Frequent, i.e. 2 or more missions / month [] Long duration, i.e. missions lasting more than a week
Comments:
Workplace, health & safety related issues
 [] Noisy environment [] Physical effort / materials handling [] Work with chemicals / biological materials [] Radioprotection area [] Use of personal protective equipment [] Other
Comments:

Other

Comments:

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