The EDPS is looking for a

HR ASSISTANT

Vacancy notice n° 11-2024-EDPS-FO
Type of post/type of contract AST
Grade/function group 1-7
Publication under Article 29(1)(a), (b) and (c) of the Staff Regulations
Place of employment Brussels (Belgium)
Deadline for applications 17/04/2024 (Brussels time GMT+1) at 12:00 midday

WHAT ARE WE?

The EDPS - a young and dynamic institution

The European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS), a young EU institution established in 2004, in Brussels, Belgium, is the independent data protection authority of the EU institutions and the advisor of the EU legislator on data protection matters. We strive to be an impartial centre of excellence in order to embed a strong data protection culture in the EU institutions and the legislation emanating from them. We also closely follow technological developments and try to anticipate their impact on the privacy of individuals. Our organisation employs about 120 staff members, most of whom are EU officials, but we also welcome Contract Agents and Seconded National Experts, working full-time or part-time.

The EDPS - a great place to work

We value a strong culture of respect, flat hierarchical structures and an open door policy to foster innovative ideas and a strong collaboration between colleagues. To ensure our staff’s well-being and motivation, we believe that it is essential to create a healthy organisational climate and to strike a good work-life balance. To achieve this, we offer various flexible working arrangements, as well as learning and development opportunities, such as job-shadowing and training programmes.
WHO ARE WE LOOKING FOR?

Someone who

- fits in an informal and friendly yet professional working environment;
- appreciates working collaboratively with other colleagues on a variety of different projects;
- brings their creativity and initiative to the table;
- engages constructively with stakeholders, based on our core values: integrity, impartiality, transparency and pragmatism.

ABOUT THE POSITION

Our job vacancy is in the HR Sector, which is part of the Human Resources, Budget and Administration Unit (HRBA). The unit is in charge of a number of horizontal processes aimed to ensure the financial, human and administrative resources and tools for the smooth functioning of the European Data Protection Supervisor. The unit also provides financial, human resources, and administrative support to the Secretariat of the European Data Protection Board (EDPB), which is administratively attached to the EDPS.

As HR Assistant, you will work under the guidance of the Head of Sector HR and your main responsibilities will include:

- **Management of HR Information Systems**
  - Coordinate the preparatory works for the future HR platform in close cooperation with the other EUIs;
  - Generate HR reports and prepare the bi-annual Staff Satisfaction Survey; analyse the results;
  - Manage HR data in Sysper2.

- **Selection, Recruitment and Career Management**
  - In cooperation with the HR team members, ensure career management, including selections and recruitments for permanent and non-permanent staff.

- **Performance Management**
  - Manage the logistics of the yearly appraisal exercise; liaise with the relevant services of the EC to implement updates in the procedure.

- **Other HR duties**
  - Assist in drafting HR procedures and updates of existing HR procedures;
  - Assist with the time management of EDPS and EDPB staff;
  - Verify the monthly payroll simulations in EDPS/EDPB and take corrective actions where necessary;
  - Act as contact point for HR related matters.

You may also be required to carry out additional tasks when necessary and in the interest of the service.
OUR ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION CRITERIA

Eligibility criteria

For your application to be considered, you must meet the following criteria by the deadline for submitting applications[^1]:

- be a European Official in the category ‘Assistant’ and a grade between AST1 and AST7 or
- be a laureate of an EPSO competition for ‘Assistants’;

Selection criteria

For this job vacancy, we are looking for someone with the following essential and advantageous skills and experience:

### Essential

- Excellent knowledge of the Staff Regulations and implementing provisions
- Have appropriate professional experience as human resources assistant of at least 3 years
- Knowledge of SYSPER modules
- Takes on new challenges, thinks ahead, demonstrates initiative (Intrapreneurship);
- Critical thinking, creative problem-solving;
- Open and strong cooperative mind;
- Service oriented and human centric;
- Excellent communication and inter-personal skills;
- Enthusiastic and proactive learner, in particular in HR matters;
- HR data reporting and analysis;
- Proficiency in MS Office (especially Outlook, Word and Excel);
- Very good level of written and spoken English, which is the main working language of the EDPS and the EDPB.

### Advantageous

- Experience in selection and recruitment procedures;
- Experience with other software used by the European institutions;
- HR experience in the EU institutions;
- Experience with inter-institutional cooperation.
- Knowledge of other EU official language(s);
HOW TO APPLY?

Interested in this position? Please apply via the following link by 17/04/2024 at 12:00 midday (Brussels time): https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/Application_form_HR_Assistant_VN_11-2024-EDPS-FO

You will have to upload the following documents in the online application form:

- the completed application form;
- CV and cover letter detailing why you are suitable for this role (PDF format of maximum size of 2MB);
- an official document attesting your status as an official (category, grade); the different posts held in the EU institutions, bodies and agencies, and a copy of your last two staff evaluation reports; or an official document from EPSO attesting that you are a laureate.

All supporting documents, such as references, certificates, must be merged into one single PDF document of a maximum size of 2MB.

Do not hesitate to contact edps-selections@edps.europa.eu in case you have any questions.

OUR SELECTION PROCEDURE

All eligible applications will be scrutinised by a selection panel. Candidates whose applications best match the selection criteria will be invited for an interview during which the selection panel will assess each candidate’s performance. In addition, a second interview or written tests may be carried out. At the EDPS we aim for all selection panels to have a gender-balanced composition.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Equal opportunities

The EDPS is committed to promoting diversity, inclusion, and giving everyone equal opportunities to succeed.

As such, the EDPS welcomes all applications without discrimination on grounds of sex, race, colour, ethnic or social origin, genetic features, language, religion or belief, political or any other opinion, membership of national minority, property, disability, age, gender identity or sexual orientation.

If you require any special arrangements (due to a disability) to take part in this selection procedure, please indicate this on your application.

Data protection

A data protection notice detailing how the EDPS processes candidates’ personal data in the context of recruitment can be found here.

Join us in shaping a safer digital future!

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