

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Job Description Form

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Job Holder

Name

Job Profile

Position

CONTRACT AGENT FGIII

Job title

Finance and Contracts Assistant

Domains

Generic domain

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION and DEVELOPMENT

Intermediate domain

Specific domain

BUDGET, FINANCE, CONTRACTS and ACCOUNTING

Sensitive job

No

Overall purpose

Initiation and follow-up of financial transactions related to programming documents (identification and action fiches), financing agreements, delegation agreement, procurement and grants. Preparation and participation in calls for proposals and calls for tenders. Follow up of litigations and complaints related to contracts signed by the Commission services. Financial reporting, legal and financial advice and support to the Delegations of the European Union in Latin America.

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

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- Ensure compliance of the financial transactions with the provisions of the Financial Regulations and their implementing rules, the internal rules for implementation of the budget, the relevant Basic Act, the financing decision and the other rules and budget related provisions in the context of the work programme of the Directorate/Unit.
- Ensure the legality, regularity and correctness of financial agreements, procurement contracts and grant agreements, invoices and recovery orders by performing a standard set of checks and control procedures.
- Assess and ensure the successful completion of the financial circuit for payments/recovery orders in the accounting system.
- Act as a point of contact for contractors/grant beneficiaries in the context of the ongoing financial transactions.
- Ensure compliance with the early warning system alerts
- Assess and ensure the validity of bank guarantees

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- Assist in the preparation and control of the financial elements in the calls for tenders and calls for proposals, initiated in Headquarters.
- Provide assistance to budgetary execution, in the discharge procedure and the financial circuits.

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- Initiate files related to EU Delegations' transactions that require approval at the level of the hierarchy in Headquarters
- Assist the provision of legal support through the functional mailbox or facilitate answers to standard questions and issues on bilateral basis directly to the FCA staff in the EU Delegation(s)
- Track and monitor the financial transaction initiated in the EU Delegation(s) in charge so as to facilitate the completion of the financial circuits and to avoid delays and errors.
- Track and monitor the financial results and other necessary financial operations such as
 decommitments and closures so as to assist the EU Delegation in the establishment of
 action plans where necessary.
- Assist the EU Delegation(s) in the work related to the progress of complex projects, litigations, OLAF and audit cases.
- Participate in support missions to EU Delegations

+ INFORMATION and DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT

- Participate in support missions to EU Delegations
- Manage the correspondence on financial issues with external and internal actors in the realm of the tasks and topics assigned.
- Oversee all original contracts and corresponding databases.
- Check and ensure the correctness and authencity of the originals of signed contracts and other original financial documents
- Ensure the quality and coherence of financial data in the different databases and systems.

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- Prepare and update the financial results tracking tables used by staff and hierarchy as decision-making tools.
- Prepare responses to requests for financial data and information from the hierarchy and other services of the Commission.

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+ AUDIT, CONTROL and INSPECTION

- Participate in the risk assessment of contracts with the aim to identify cases that require an ex-post control
- Collaborate with the operational and audit actors so as to provide additional information needed in the scope of the performed audits
- Provide comments on draft audit and expenditure verification reports
- Participate in verification missions to EU Delegations as well as on-the-spot checks of projects, directly managed by the Commission.

+ POLICY COORDINATION

- Contribute to work through co-creation, acting together and drawing on the expertise of colleagues, to identify, build & develop common actions & policies under the DGs strategic objectives
- Contribute to the rollout and implementation of Global Gateway in the relevant areas of the Unit

Job requirements

Experience"

+ BUDGET and FINANCE

Job-Related experience:at least 3 years Qualifier:an advantage

Languages

	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	Writing
Spanish	B2	B2	B2	B2	B2
English	C1	C1	C1	C1	C1
French	B1	B1	B1	B1	B1

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Knowledge

BUDGET, FINANCE, CONTRACTS and ACCOUNTING

BUDGET and FINANCE

Financial and budgetary terminology

Financial regulation and procedures

Budget monitoring and reporting

Rules and procedures relating to grants

EU/INSTITUTION-SPECIFIC FUNDING and RULES

Implementing rules

PROCUREMENT and CONTRACT MANAGEMENT

Subventions and procurement

Contract monitoring

ACCOUNTING

Analysis of invoices and cost statements

Rules and procedures relating to recovery activities

INFORMATION and DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT

DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT

Rules and procedures relating to document management within the Institution

LIBRARIES and ARCHIVES

ARCHIVING

• IT TOOLS for SPECIFIC APPLICATION AREAS

IT tools for FINANCE, BUDGET and CONTRACTS and ACCOUNTING

ABAC Accounting

CRIS (Common Relex Information System)

IT tools and systems for ARCHIVES, MAIL and DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT

Competences

Analysing and Problem Solving

Ability to conceptualise problems, identify and implement solutions

Capacity to analyse and structure information

Communicating

Capacity to communicate technical or specialised information

Drafting skills

• Delivering Quality and Results

Ability to identify user's needs

Ability to work in a proactive and autonomous way

Prioritising and Organising

Capacity to deliver in a structured way

Working with Others

Ability to work in a team

Knowledge sharing

Sociability skills

Job Environment

Organisational entity

Presentation of the entity:

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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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