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## Vacancy Notice

### Interim Agent in Physical Sciences and Engineering

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Since the creation of the Agency, more than 10,000 top researchers at various stages of their careers have been supported. Under Horizon Europe, the ERCEA has a total budget of some €16 billion.

**An Interim Agent post is available in Unit ERCEA.B.4 'Physical Sciences and Engineering,'** which implements the peer review process for the selection of ERC grants and the processes for scientific monitoring of grants. The Interim Agent would be covering the absence of scientific officers **in one of the following areas of Physical Sciences and Engineering:**

- **Engineering**
- **Physics**
- **Chemistry and Materials**
- **Computer Sciences**

The work will involve:

- Assisting the coordination of the evaluation process of research proposals.
- Carrying out the scientific monitoring of the progress of funded research projects in the area(s) mentioned above.

Candidates need to have a strong research background (PhD or equivalent research experience) in a relevant area of Physical Sciences and Engineering and a good understanding of the research funding system in Europe.

**Candidates need to have a valid permit to work in Belgium at the time of application.**

The position is to be filled as soon as possible and with a contract for six months.

If you are interested to apply, please send your CV to [ERC-HR-INTERIM@ec.europa.eu](mailto:ERC-HR-INTERIM@ec.europa.eu) by **Friday 30 August 2024 (EOB) Brussels time.**