



European Committee
of the Regions

Human Resources and Finance

CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Press/Media communication officer

Reference number: COR/CA/FGIV/14/2025

Directorate	Directorate for Communication
Unit	Press office, relations with media
Type of position	Contract staff FGIV
Period	2 years, starting from 01/10/2025
Application	Online application form
Date of publication	10/07/2025
Deadline	31/07/2025 at noon (Brussels time)

Please note: the successful completion of [EPSO CAST FGIV](#) is required

1. Your job and responsibilities

Interested in increasing the visibility of the EU and its >1 million politicians elected at local and regional level? Like to help your colleagues by making their work more visible in the media?

As a Press/media communication officer in the press sector, you are responsible for reaching out to the media to promote the work of the CoR and its members.

You organise press conferences and media interviews.

You are also responsible for measuring the quantitative output and promoting the qualitative successes of your media work as well as contributing to the overall effectiveness of the press sector.

You are part of the dynamic team of currently 11 press officers including the head of sector.

2. Who are we? What are the challenges for us ahead?

Our Unit D.1 - Press office, relations with media has a staff of 17 and is part of the Directorate for communication. This role is in the press sector of 11 colleagues.

Our field? Relations with the media – increasing the visibility and outreach of the CoR and its Members

Our main achievements have been recording media coverage both in terms of quantity and quality. This includes coverage in the Brussels bubble/EU media, major national tv and press as well as in regional and local media. The CoR press team is able to work directly with journalists (unlike in many EU communication units) as well as with CoR Members, who are elected regional and local politicians. In our niche and despite our small size, the CoR has even been able to lead the agenda, for example in campaigning against the centralisation of EU structural funds.

Our challenges ahead In May 2025, the CoR set 3 priorities for the 2025-2030 mandate. On **cohesion**, we embark on a 2-year campaign to ensure proper recognition of the role of regions and cities in the next EU Multi-annual Financial Framework from 2027. On **resilience**, in addition to promoting the CoR's work on climate change, there will be a strong emphasis on water resilience as well as the ongoing work to support Ukraine. Finally, in relation to **proximity**, the challenges of gender equality, demographic change and the fundamentals of local democracy provide content for our media work, including working with networks of EU Councillors and Young Elected Politicians.

3. Are you the talent we are looking for?

3.1 GENERAL ABILITIES AND CAPACITIES REQUIRED

- Think with a critical spirit, analyse and solve problems pragmatically.
- Assess critically credibility and reliability of sources, data and information and use relevant digital tools to carry out the duties.
- Organise own work, demonstrate responsibility, identify priorities, take appropriate decisions and deliver results.
- Adapt to an evolving working environment, demonstrate commitment and adopt constructive attitude at all times. Remain effective and flexible even during period of heavy activity.
- Take initiative to achieve individual and shared objectives, demonstrate ownership and work autonomously.
- Learn and professionally develop to continuously enhance job performance and knowledge of the organisation and working environment.
- Work together with others in a constructive way by contributing to diverse and inclusive working environment. Demonstrate respect and courtesy at all times.
- Convey information and relevant opinions clearly and concisely both orally and in writing, facilitate interaction and engage effectively with others. Treat confidential or sensitive information accordingly.

3.2 JOB-SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

- You have passed [EPSO CAST FGIV](#)¹
- You have sound experience in press and media relations, briefing journalists, preparing politicians for interviews and securing coverage on tv, on the radio and in the press
- You have strong communication skills, both written and oral.

¹ For more information please consult the [website EU Careers](#).

- You have a thorough knowledge of one of the official languages of the European Union and a satisfactory knowledge of another of the EU official languages. Our current team includes French, German, Italian, Spanish, Polish, Portuguese and Finnish speakers. For functional reasons, a high level of English is required and a good level of at least one other new language for the sector is desirable.
- You have a good command of IT applications and tools, such as Outlook, Excel, Word and Sharepoint, including AI tools in a secure environment.
- You are keen on working in a high-performing team, delivering communication materials to deadline, experimenting with new outlets, showing success and learning lessons where appropriate.
- You have excellent inter-personal skills, able to work directly with politicians and their support staff as well as policy colleagues and logistic staff.

Please note that candidates must meet the eligibility criteria specified in [art. 82\(3\) of the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants](#).

4. What we offer

- A European institution on a human scale at the heart of the European quarter and easily accessible.
- Flexible working hours and teleworking opportunities subject to the needs of the service.
- An active talent management policy focusing on continuous development and training and a policy to encourage internal mobility.
- A friendly and dynamic working environment in which self-motivation, initiative and team spirit are valued.
- An institution that promotes equal opportunities, diversity and non-discrimination to help nurture a respectful and inclusive working environment and that is actively engaged in the consultation process prior to the adoption of EU legislation. Our dedication to inclusivity is also reflected in our efforts to enhance the accessibility of our vacancy notices, including the layout of the current vacancy and its annex (left alignment, increased spacing and font size etc.). By improving their readability, we strive to make these documents accessible to all, including individuals with disabilities.
- An EMAS-certified institution that is continuously looking to improve its environmental performance.

5. Are you interested in this challenge?

If you have the skills we are looking for and think you fit the profile above, please apply using the [online application form](#) before 31/07/2025 at noon.

Please note:

- the successful completion of [EPSO CAST FGIV](#) is required to be eligible for this selection procedure.
- only candidates selected by the selection panel for an interview will be contacted. If you have not been contacted within six weeks following the application deadline of the vacancy notice, please consider your application unsuccessful.

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