



THE EUROPEAN CENTRE FOR DISEASE PREVENTION AND CONTROL
Call for application for Fellows in the
European Programme for Intervention Epidemiology Training (EPIET), EU-track
(ECDC/cohort2013/2013-2015)

Applicants are invited to apply for a fellow position in the *European Programme for Intervention Epidemiology Training* (EPIET), EU-track, which is managed by the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC). ECDC plans to recruit twelve applicants for this cohort.

The Centre is located in Stockholm, Sweden. The legal base for the Centre is Regulation (EC) No 851/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 April 2004 establishing a European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control¹.

See also the Centre home page at <http://ecdc.europa.eu>

Description of the Training Programme

The European Programme for Intervention Epidemiology Training (EPIET) is a two-year fellowship programme, which provides training and practical experience in intervention epidemiology at the national and regional centres for surveillance and control of communicable diseases in the EU/EEA². The programme is aimed at EU/EEA³ medical practitioners, public-health nurses, microbiologists, veterinarians and other health professionals with previous experience in public health and a keen interest in epidemiology. The programme trains EU fellows in the core skills required for the investigation and control of communicable disease threats in and beyond Europe. The programme consists of two tracks, the EU- and the MS-track (Member State-track). In the EU-track, EU nationals are trained in other Member State (MS) than their country/countries of origin.

Aim of the training

¹ Official Journal No. L 142 of 30 April 2004, page 1

² Applicants from accession countries which will be accepted as an EU Member State the same year as the call for applications expires will be eligible to apply to the fellowship.

³ Same footnote as 2

Under the professional supervision of the training supervisor in the hosting institute, the fellows will carry out activities related to the surveillance, investigation and control of communicable disease threats.

During the two year training programme, the fellows will work to meet the following training objectives:

- Conduct outbreak investigations
- Analyse, design, or implement a surveillance system
- Plan, develop and/or conduct a research project on a relevant public health issue
- Gain acquaintance with laboratory techniques
- Support public health decision making
- Present and publish the results of their work to the scientific community
- Teach epidemiology or public health microbiology

The fellows are placed in one of the acknowledged training sites participating in the EPIET programme outside of the country of their nationality/nationalities. An updated list of training sites available for 2013 will be provided online to the applicants before the selection interviews take place.

The fellowship programme will start 16 September 2013.

For further information on EPIET programme: www.epiet.org

Qualifications and experience required

Eligibility criteria

In order to be an eligible candidate you need to have a set of formal requirements, as follows:

- A level of post-secondary education attested by a diploma in public health or a related subject, preferably at the level of a Master degree or equivalent
- At least one year practice in public health or epidemiology
- To have a thorough knowledge of at least two official languages of the EU/EEA4, one of which is English
- Be a national of a Member State of the EU/EEA⁵
- To be entitled to his or her full rights as citizen
- To meet the character requirements for the duties involved

Selection criteria

Professional skills and experiences

⁴ Same footnote as 2

⁵ Same footnote as 2

- Proven experience in public health and/or epidemiology
- Good scientific skills and a basic knowledge of epidemiology
- Good computer skills

Personal characteristics/interpersonal skills

- Strong commitment to continue field epidemiology in the EU after the two-year EPIET fellowship
- Good organisational skills
- Ability to work under pressure and manage responsibilities
- Good command of English; oral and written

Advantageous criteria

- Sense of independence and inventiveness which would enable a personal input into the programme;
- Sufficient international exposure to interact cautiously with the different cultures, laws and requirements in the Member States

Appointment of EPIET/EU-track fellows

The EU-track fellows will be appointed by the Director of the Centre on the basis of a shortlist proposed by the EPIET selection committee. This call for application is the basis for the establishment of the selection committee's proposal. Applicants should note that the proposal may be made public and that inclusion in the shortlist does not guarantee appointment. The shortlist of applicants will be established following an open selection process. Further details will be sent to the applicants with the interview invitation.

The fellow will be placed at one of the acknowledged training sites participating in the EPIET programme outside of the country of their nationality/nationalities. A list of available host sites will be available later this spring.

The fellow will be employed by a training site. The fellow will be reimbursed for moving and removal, both for taking up post and at the termination of the fellowship.

The successful applicants will be required to take up their post on 16 September 2013 when the programme starts. No later starting date is foreseen.

Information about the conditions for EPIET/EU-track fellows recruited by ECDC can be found under: <http://ecdc.europa.eu/en/aboutus/jobs/Pages/fellowships.aspx>

Waiting list:

A waiting list will be drawn up by ECDC. It will be valid until 30 August 2013 and may be extended.

Equal opportunities

ECDC apply equal opportunities and accepts applications without distinction on the grounds of age, race political, philosophical or religious conviction, sex or sexual orientation and regardless of disabilities, marital status or family situation.

Application procedure

For applications to be valid, you must submit all the following documents by e-mail:

- A detailed Curriculum Vitae in European format (available on <http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu>)
- A letter of motivation
- The eligibility and selection criteria grid completed (see below)

You may be requested at a later stage to supply documentary evidence in original in support of the statements that you make for this application.

Applications in the working language of the Centre, which is English, should be sent by e-mail in Word or PDF format to ecdc.epietfellow@ecdc.europa.eu clearly indicating the application reference (**ECDC/cohort2013/2013-2015**) and your family name in the Subject line.

The application will be rejected if the dossier is incomplete.

Closing date for the submission of applications is **3 February 2013, at 24.00 CET.**

Due to the large volume of applications only applicants selected for interviews will be notified.

Privacy statement

Please note that the personal information ECDC requests from applicants will be processed in line with Regulation (EC) N° 45/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2000 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Community institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data. The purpose of processing of your personal data is to support the selection procedures at ECDC. This processing may involve distribution of this data to other Community institutions. For further information or exercise of your rights (such as the right to access or the right to correct my data), contact can be taken with the Human Resources section.

**Fellows in the European Programme for Intervention Epidemiology Training
(EPIET), EU-track
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Last name (in capitals):

First name:

Gender: Male

 Female

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1.	I have at post-secondary education attested by a diploma in public health or a related subject:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
2.	I have at least one year practice in public health or epidemiology:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
3.	Thorough knowledge of at least two official languages of the EU/EEA ⁶ , one of which is English: Specify languages:..... and	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.	I am a national of a Member State of EU/EEA ⁷ :	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
5.	I am entitled to my full rights as citizen:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
6.	I meet the character requirements for the duties involved:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

⁶ Applicants from accession countries which will be accepted as an EU Member State the same year as the call for applications expires will be eligible to apply to the fellowship.

⁷ Same footnote as 6

SELECTION CRITERIA

(1 = slight; 2 = good; 3 = very good; 4 = excellent)

Professional skills and experiences

7.	I have proven experience in public health and/or epidemiology:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
8.	I have good scientific skills and a basic knowledge of epidemiology:	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/>	
9.	My knowledge of Microsoft Office is:		
	Word	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Excel	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Power Point	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Outlook	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/>	

Personal characteristics/interpersonal skills

10.	I have a strong commitment to continue field epidemiology in the EU after the two-year EPIET fellowship:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
11.	My organisational skills are:	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/>	
12.	My ability to work under pressure and manage responsibilities is:	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/>	
13.	My command of English, both oral and written, is:	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/>	

ADVANTAGEOUS CRITERIA

14.	My sense of independence and inventiveness which would enable a personal input into the programme is:	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/>	
15.	My international exposure to interact cautiously with the different cultures, laws and requirements in the Member States is:	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/>	