# Eurofound Traineeship Description

## Job Area
Research – Surveys

## Job purpose
The trainee will be based in Eurofound’s Social Policies Unit and work with the Survey Management and Development team. Specifically, the trainee will assist in the preparation of the next edition of the European Quality of Life survey (EQLS) and work with the team that fields the Living and Working e-survey. The trainee will also assist with the analysis of experimental trials fielded as part of the 2024 European Working Conditions Survey (EWCS).

## Main responsibilities
The trainee will spend around half of their time assisting with the preparation of the next EQLS, working mostly on the development of the questionnaire, cognitive testing of new questions, participation in meetings with the team and with the contractor.

The trainee will also work on Eurofound’s e-survey, assisting the research team with technical and methodological issues.

Assistance with the analysis of the experimental trials EWCS data will commence in September 2024. Tasks include assisting with data manipulation and analysis, report writing and data visualisation.

If time allows, the trainee may also provide research assistance in other research projects. The trainee’s contribution may include data processing from secondary data sources or Eurofound’s surveys, drafting/preparation of literature reviews or general project assistance depending on the trainee’s abilities and preferences.

## Desired Academic background
University degree in relevant academic fields of survey methodology, quantitative social science, data science or statistics.

## Desired Skills
- Excellent numerical skills and ability to interpret statistical information;
- Experience in working with statistical software (at least some experience with R would be preferable);
- Interest in comparative social surveys, survey methodology and survey data analysis;
- Good IT skills – Word, Excel, PowerPoint;
- Good editing and drafting skills in English;
- Attention to detail;
- Interest in research topics related to living and working conditions.

## Expected learning outcomes
- To familiarise with the work of the EU Institutions and EU Agencies;
- To develop survey research skills;
- To develop research knowledge and capacities;
- To develop and enhance writing, editing and numerical/statistical skills;
- To gather experience in working in a multi-cultural team;
- To deepen understanding of EU policy making in the area of living and working conditions.