



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

DG – Directorate – Unit	AGRI B1
Post number in sysper:	406135
Contact person:	Michael PIELKE
Provisional starting date:	1 st quarter 2025
Initial duration:	2 years
Place of secondment:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brussels <input type="checkbox"/> Luxemburg <input type="checkbox"/> Other: Click or tap here to enter text.
Type of secondment	<input type="radio"/> With allowances <input checked="" type="radio"/> Cost-free
This vacancy notice is open to: <input checked="" type="radio"/> EU Member States as well as <input type="checkbox"/> The following EFTA countries: <input type="checkbox"/> Iceland <input type="checkbox"/> Liechtenstein <input type="checkbox"/> Norway <input type="checkbox"/> Switzerland <input type="checkbox"/> The following third countries: <input type="checkbox"/> The following intergovernmental organisations: ... <input type="radio"/> EFTA-EEA In-Kind agreement (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway)	
Deadline for applications	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 2 months <input type="radio"/> 1 month Latest application date: 25-02-2025

Entity Presentation (We are)

Unit B.1 is a dynamic unit composed of 29 motivated colleagues in charge of the economic sustainability aspects of the Common Agricultural Policy and farming in general. It contributes in particular to the design, development and implementation of the instruments and types of intervention related to economic sustainability.

Such instruments include types of interventions in the form of direct payments (coupled and decoupled support); sectoral interventions (fruit & vegetables, apiculture products, wine, olive oil and other sectors) and interventions for rural development related to economic sustainability such as investment support and financial instruments.

Their main objectives are to support viable farm income, to improve the market orientation and competitiveness of the farming sector and to strengthen the position of the farmers in the value chain. The instruments we deal with also help farmers better managing risks, fostering cooperation in farming and improving the access to capital for the farming sector. They account for the lion's share of the current EU farm budget.

Job Presentation (We propose)

The seconded national expert (SNE) will contribute, under the supervision of an official/coordinator, to the implementation and development of policy instruments promoting economic sustainability.

It is an interesting and challenging job opportunity for a colleague who wants to contribute:

- to the correct understanding and implementation of one of the main instruments of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP);
- to the assessment of the achievements of the CAP reform for post-2020 in this particular field;
- to the development of existing or new EU rules regarding policy instruments promoting economic sustainability in coherence with other policies/instruments developed in relation to agriculture.

The colleague we are looking for will be working closely with many services in the DG.

She/he will contribute to policy development by having written and bilateral contacts with Member States, participating in working groups with experts from Member States and inside the DG.

Jobholder Profile (We look for)

The preferred candidate should have a sound knowledge of the CAP.

We are looking for a dynamic, open-minded colleague, a good team player who is motivated to proactively contribute to the different tasks under the responsibility of the Unit and able to respond rapidly to new developments and priorities.

The position also requires organisation and strong analytical skills.

Very good communication skills, both written and oral, are necessary.

Oral fluency and advanced drafting skills in English is essential, French is an asset.

Eligibility criteria

The secondment will be governed by the **Commission Decision C(2008) 6866** of 12/11/2008 laying down rules on the secondment to the Commission of national experts and national experts in professional training (SNE Decision).

Under the terms of the SNE Decision, you need to comply with the following eligibility criteria at **the starting date** of the secondment:

- **Professional experience:** at least three years of professional experience in administrative, legal, scientific, technical, advisory or supervisory functions which are equivalent to those of function group AD.
- **Seniority:** having worked for at least one full year (12 months) with your current employer on a permanent or contract basis.
- **Employer:** must be a national, regional or local administration or an intergovernmental public organisation (IGO); exceptionally and following a specific derogation, the Commission may accept applications where your employer is a public sector body (e.g., an agency or regulatory institute), university or independent research institute.
- **Linguistic skills:** thorough knowledge of one of the EU languages and a satisfactory knowledge of another EU language to the extent necessary for the performance of the duties. If you come from a third country, you must produce evidence of a thorough knowledge of the EU language necessary for the performance of his duties.

Conditions of secondment

During the full duration of your secondment, you must remain employed and remunerated by your employer and covered by your (national) social security system.

You shall exercise your duties within the Commission under the conditions as set out by aforementioned SNE Decision and be subject to the rules on confidentiality, loyalty and absence of conflict of interest as defined therein.

In case the position is published with allowances, these can only be granted when you fulfil the conditions provided for in Article 17 of the SNE decision.

Staff posted in a European Union Delegation are required to have a security clearance (up to SECRET UE/EU SECRET level according to [Commission Decision \(EU, Euratom\) 2015/444 of 13 March 2015](#)). It is up to you to launch the vetting procedure before getting the secondment confirmation.

Submission of applications and selection procedure

If you are interested, please follow the instructions given by your employer on how to apply.

The European Commission **only accepts applications which have been submitted through the Permanent Representation / Diplomatic Mission to the EU of your**

country, the EFTA Secretariat or through the channel(s) it has specifically agreed to. Applications received directly from you or your employer will not be taken into consideration.

You should draft your CV in English, French or German using the **Europass CV format** ([Create your Europass CV | Europass](#)). It must mention your nationality.

Please do not add any other documents (such as copy of passport, copy of degrees or certificate of professional experience, etc.). If necessary, these will be requested at a later stage.

Processing of personal data

The Commission will ensure that candidates' personal data are processed as required by Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽¹⁾. This applies in particular to the confidentiality and security of such data. Before applying, please read the attached privacy statement.

⁽¹⁾ Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC (OJ L 295, 21.11.2018, p. 39)