



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

## VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

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| DG – Directorate – Unit  | ENV E.2  |
| Post number in sysper:   | <a href="#">398435</a>   |
| Contact person:  | Nicola NOTARO, Cyril RITTER  |
| Provisional starting date:   | 4 quarter 2025   |
| Initial duration:  | 2 years  |
| Place of secondment:   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brussels <input type="checkbox"/> Luxemburg <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <a href="#">Click or tap here to enter text.</a> |
| Type of secondment   | <input type="radio"/> With allowances <input checked="" type="radio"/> Cost-free   |
| This vacancy notice is open to:<br><br><input checked="" type="radio"/> EU Member States<br>as well as<br><input type="checkbox"/> The following EFTA countries:<br><input type="checkbox"/> Iceland <input type="checkbox"/> Liechtenstein <input type="checkbox"/> Norway <input type="checkbox"/> Switzerland<br><input type="checkbox"/> The following third countries: ....<br><input type="checkbox"/> The following intergovernmental organisations: ...<br><br><input type="radio"/> EFTA-EEA In-Kind agreement (Iceland, Liechtenstein, ... |  |
| Deadline for applications  | <input checked="" type="radio"/> 2 months <input type="radio"/> 1 month  |

### Entity Presentation (We are)

ENV E.2 is a friendly team of around 26 people, responsible for 13 Member States: BE, DK, ES, FI, FR, HU, IT, LU, MT, NL, PL, PT, SE. One of our key roles is the monitoring and enforcement of the timely and correct transposition and implementation of EU environmental law in those Member States (another unit handles the other 14 Member States), including through the Environmental Implementation Review (EIR). We also provide legal advice on the interpretation and implementation of EU environmental law.

The other key role of the team is mainstreaming environmental priorities across the EU Semester process and EU funds/investments. In addition, ENV E.2 coordinates the EIR within the DG and several intra-DG task forces dealing with horizontal legal issues.

### **Job Presentation (We propose)**

The Seconded National Expert (SNE) will work under the supervision of his/her hierarchy. S/he will verify whether Member States' legislation transposing EU environmental directives is complete and in conformity with European Union law. S/he will also control the correct application of EU environmental law in one or more Member States. Under the supervision of an EU official, s/he will initiate, where appropriate, infringement procedures following complaints from third parties and/or on the initiative of the Commission. S/he will provide legal advice to colleagues as needed, follow the work of internal legal task forces and draft replies to correspondence, European Parliament's written questions and petitions, while handling complaints filed by the public about alleged breaches of EU environmental law.

### **Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

We are looking for a colleague with legal background in national and EU law, excellent drafting skills in English and French and strong motivation. Knowledge of EU environmental law and/or EU complaint/infringement procedures 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 <sup>(1)</sup>. This applies in particular to the confidentiality and security of such data. Before applying, please read the attached privacy statement.

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<sup>(1)</sup> 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)