

**VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT**

DG – Directorate – Unit	Eurostat – Directorate G ‘Business and trade statistics’ – Unit G5 ‘Trade in goods’
Post number in sysper:	354310
Contact person:	Ulrich Eidmann
Provisional starting date:	3rd quarter 2025
Initial duration:	2 years
Place of secondment:	<input type="checkbox"/> Brussels <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Luxemburg <input type="checkbox"/> Other: -
Type of secondment	<input checked="" type="radio"/> With allowances <input 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)

The mission of Eurostat’s unit G5 is to be the leading provider of high quality statistical information on Europe's international trade in goods.

Job Presentation (We propose)

The integration of new data sources in international trade in goods statistics (ITGS) and the extension of the statistics on trade by enterprise characteristics (TEC) will represent two major challenges for G5 and its team of methodologists in the coming years.

On the one hand, the availability of new data sources (such as micro-data exchanged between Member States, and new information coming from VAT and EU customs) offers important opportunities for the compilers of ITGS but also comes with challenges for which solutions need to be developed.

On the other hand, pilot projects are under way which, based on the (micro-data) linking of the existing TEC data with information from social registers and the European Group Register (EGR), aim at establishing several new TEC indicators related to trade by gender and to trade by multi-national enterprises.

In this context, G5 will have to ensure the continued adjustment of existing methodological guidance and the development of new guidance for both ITGS and TEC statistics.

The expert will thus work in the methodological guidance and further development of the ITGS and TEC statistics and will be involved in the updating and development of the respective compilers' manuals. Her/his tasks will include:

- providing expertise for the integration of new data sources in ITGS and the related methodological development;
- providing expertise in relation to the extension of the current TEC statistics through micro-data linking;
- assistance to the Member States to implement correctly the methodology of statistics on international trade in goods;
- contribution to the various expert meetings on the area of work;
- contribution to the various tasks of the unit depending on the specific areas of expertise.

The job involves close co-operation with colleagues from Eurostat, EU Member States, EFTA and candidate countries as well as from international organisations.

Jobholder Profile (We look for)

The expert should have the following skills and competences:

- excellent knowledge in international trade in goods statistics;
- good capabilities and interest in undertaking a range of tasks such as enquiries, analysis;
- good drafting and communication skills;
- capacity to act upon problems and to work in a proactive and autonomous way;
- capabilities to work both independently and within a team, with a high level of responsibility, motivation and a positive team spirit;
- ability to work against tight deadlines.

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)