



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

DG – Directorate – Unit	REGIO.DDG.02
Post number in sysper:	139011
Contact person:	Iulia Mirela Serban
Provisional starting date:	4th quarter 202
Initial duration:	1 years
Place of secondment:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brussels <input type="checkbox"/> Luxemburg <input type="checkbox"/> Other: Click or tap here to enter text.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> With allowances <input type="checkbox"/> Cost-free
This vacancy notice is open to:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EU Member States	
<input type="checkbox"/> EFTA-EEA In-Kind agreement (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway)	
This vacancy notice is also open to:	
<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:	
Deadline for applications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 months <input type="checkbox"/> 1 month

Entity Presentation (We are)

REGIO.DDG.02 is a horizontal unit attached to the Deputy Director-General for Programme Implementation. We are a dynamic, diverse and motivated group of ca 27 people, enjoying our work individually and as a team. We are located in Brussels.

The unit works on a wide range of exciting, horizontal issues:

We are responsible for coordinating the implementation of the 2021-2027 programmes financed by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF), the Cohesion Fund (CF) and the Just Transition Fund (JTF). The unit animates the implementation network and reports to REGIO Board on progress with implementation. We also coordinate the Stock Taking Group amongst Common Provisions Regulation (CPR) Directorate General. We chair and provide the secretariat for the CPR Expert Group and the CPR Committee.

The unit hosts the Business Process Team tasked with ensuring that business processes are user-friendly and effective. The Data Governance Team is improving REGIOs data management and use of modern tools such as AI. We oversee the partnership principle in cohesion policy and the Community of Practice on Partnership and also coordinate the mainstreaming of the New European Bauhaus in 2021-2027 cohesion policy programmes.

An important support function for programme implementation is the interpretation of cohesion policy legislation. We ensure timely delivery of good quality answers and make them accessible to the Member State authorities. Furthermore, we coordinate REGIO's work on simplification and contribute to analyses, proposals, reports to reduce administrative burden and address implementation challenges.

Job Presentation (We propose)

A post for a policy officer who will bring energy, strong organisational skills, and contribute to the work of the unit by carrying out the following main tasks:

- Work on REGIO's processes implementing the 2021-2027 programming period
- Contribute to the unit's work on interpretation of the legislation
- Support the unit's work in monitoring of implementation, preparation of data analyses and overviews
- Work with data on implementation of cohesion policy
- Apply the rules for document management and archives

Jobholder Profile (We look for)

The successful candidate should have:

- Solid knowledge of the implementation of cohesion policy, ideally across programming periods
- Strong culture of service and ability to work with other entities across the organisation
- Clear problem-solving, service-oriented approach
- Good knowledge of the systems used for data transmission between Member States and the Commission (in shared management)
- Specialist skills and experience, notably the ability to work with M365 collaborative applications to collect and organise financial and analytical input, as well as to organise online meetings
- Ability to prioritise and maintain a high-quality standard even under pressure
- Very good oral and written communication skills in English

Knowledge of the implementation of the Recovery and Resilience Facility is an advantage.

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, a national expert needs 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 the 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 the 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. The national expert from a third country 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 the secondment, the national expert remains employed and remunerated by his / her employer and covered by his / her (national) social security system.

He / she shall exercise his / her 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.

Allowances can only be granted when the national expert fulfils 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](#)). The selected candidate has the obligation to launch the vetting procedure before getting the secondment confirmation.

Submission of applications and selection procedure

Candidates should send their application according to the **Europass CV format** ([Create your Europass CV | Europass](#)) in English, French or German **only to the Permanent Representation / Diplomatic Mission to the EU of their country**, which will forward it

to the competent services of the Commission within the deadline fixed by the latter. The CV must mention the date of birth and the nationality of the candidate.

Candidates are asked not to 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)