



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

## VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

DG – Directorate – Unit	RTD.G.1
Post number in sysper:	318021
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Type of secondment	<input checked="" type="radio"/> With allowances <input type="radio"/> Cost-free
<p>This vacancy notice is open to:</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> EU Member States as well as</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The following EFTA countries: <input type="checkbox"/> Iceland <input type="checkbox"/> Liechtenstein <input type="checkbox"/> Norway <input type="checkbox"/> Switzerland</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The following third countries: ....</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The following intergovernmental organisations: ...</p> <p><input type="radio"/> EFTA-EEA In-Kind agreement (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway)</p>	
Deadline for applications	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 2 months <input type="radio"/> 1 month  Latest application date: 25-07-2025

### Entity Presentation (We are)

Unit RTD.G.1 – Common R&I Strategy & Foresight Service – the team of the Chief Economist of DG R&I. The unit contributes to the formulation of evidence-based and transformative research and innovation (R&I) policies to increase Europe's competitiveness, prosperity and well-being. It produces evidence on the contribution of R&I to the Commission's policies, with an objective to help minimise trade-offs between economic, social and environmental objectives and the transgression of planetary

boundaries. The unit focuses on R&I investments, innovation economics and metrics, and the economic analysis of technologies and industries and their complexity and relatedness. It also leads the strategic foresight process for R&I policy and coordinates foresight studies across the 'Foresight on Demand' Framework Contract, which is managed by the team in which the SNE will be placed. It acts as the economic service of the DG R&I and the Common Policy Centre and works closely with numerous partners in a co-creation spirit.

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

Under the supervision of an AD staff member, the expert will contribute to the integration of foresight into EU R&I policy and strategy. This involves:

1. Contributing to the coordination of foresight activities throughout the Commission, to the analysis of foresight findings and to the drafting of foresight-based evidence for R&I policy;
2. Contribute to the launching of foresight studies and consultations, and analysing and disseminating their results in the context of EU policy;
3. Contributing to the development of scenarios for the future, and identification of major trends;
4. Monitoring trends and analysing developments in science, technology and innovation and in related policies at EU and national levels;
5. Contribute to internal and external communication activities, such as newsletters, blogs and conferences;
6. Provide support to the general activities of the unit and other teams, such as the Economics and Policy and Communication teams.

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

#### Diploma

- university degree
- professional training or professional experience of an equivalent level in the field(s) of: R&D and innovation, futures studies and foresight, economics

#### Professional experience

The expert will have a multidisciplinary background and a thorough understanding of policy-making. S/he will have at least 2 years of experience in policy analysis. In addition, proven experience in foresight relating to R&I policy would be a strong asset.

#### Language(s) necessary for the performance of duties

A thorough knowledge of one of the EU languages and a satisfactory knowledge of another EU language is required. Excellent command of written and spoken English is essential.

## **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)