



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

DG – Directorate – Unit	TRADE
Post number in sysper:	job n° 56691
Contact person:	Marco Chirullo
Provisional starting date:	4rth 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 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, ...	
Deadline for applications	<input type="radio"/> 2 months <input checked="" type="radio"/> 1 month Latest application date: 25-09-2025

Entity Presentation (We are)

Within the European Commission, DG Trade and Economic Security defines, leads and implements the Union's trade and economic security policy. EU trade policy is an EU exclusive competence.

Unit TRADE B.1 comprises of 13 colleagues, who closely work with 11 colleagues in Trade sections in Seoul, Hong Kong, Taipei, Beijing and Tokyo, coordinating all trade and

investment issues with the Far East (China, Japan, Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Macao, Mongolia).

The unit is responsible for the management of all bilateral trade and investment issues between the EU and the trade partners in the Far East, and the coordination of high-level contacts. In particular, our trade and economic relations with China and Korea have an important strategic dimension, and require close relations with Member States, the European Parliament and European stakeholders.

Job Presentation (We propose)

Policy Officer - China and South Korea

We propose an exciting coordinating role in the greater China team (China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Macao, Mongolia), as well as in the Korea team. The successful candidate will develop an overview of the substantive and practical issues affecting EU-China and EU-South Korea trade and investment relations.

The job involves:

- the contribution to the preparation of high-level meetings, briefings and analytical notes and being associated to the development of our trade and investment policy on China and South Korea.
- the coordination with other Commission services, the European External Action Service, and the EU Delegations in China and South Korea.
- the participation in meetings with the EU Commissioner for Trade and Economic Security as well as with middle/senior management on a regular basis,

The position also implies regular contacts with Member States, the European Parliament, European stakeholders as well as experts on EU-China and EU-South Korea relations

Jobholder Profile (We look for)

We are looking for a dynamic, flexible and motivated candidate who will:

- Monitor and analyse trade and investment developments in China/South Korea and draft policy notes at short notice.
- Contribute to the elaboration and coordination of DG Trade and Economic Security's position on policy matters concerning EU-China and EU-South Korea trade and investment relations;
- maintain frequent contacts with Member States, EU Delegations, third countries' officials, stakeholders and other Commission departments.

The successful candidate will have a good sense of initiative enabling him/her to develop and implement policies and projects.

He/she will have a good understanding of EU's trade policy and instruments as well as of the main drivers in trade and investment relations with Far East Asia.

The position requires excellent analytical, drafting and organisational skills. A close co-operation and co-ordination within DG Trade and Economic Security and with other DGs in charge of related files, as well as with the EU Delegations, will be essential.

The successful candidate will also show multipurpose abilities, intellectual curiosity and excellent interpersonal skills.

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)