



VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

DG – Directorate – Unit	DG COMPETITION-DIRECTORATE H-UNIT H1 (Infrastructure and Regional aid)
Post number in sysper:	274817
Contact person:	Hubert de Broca (Head of Unit)
Provisional starting date:	4th quarter 2024
Initial duration:	2 years
Place of secondment:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brussels <input 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

Entity Presentation (We are)

Unit COMP.H.1 is in charge of the policy and enforcement of EU State aid rules applicable in all Member States, in the areas of regional development, in particular large investment projects, investment aid to SMEs, aid in the event of natural disasters, and aid to non-sector specific infrastructure (such as motorways, exhibition centres, and congress centres). The unit is also in charge of investment aid under section 2.8 of the Temporary Crisis and Transition Framework. The unit is, therefore, responsible for applying the Union's regulatory framework for State aid in the above-mentioned areas, in line with the relevant legislation, guidelines, and case practice. It implements State aid control through the

assessment of individual State aid cases and schemes, and contributes to the development of State aid policy and initiatives in those fields. The unit also coordinates activities relating to the European Structural Funds, insofar as they concern State aid, and, in general, initiatives that have an impact on EU cohesion policy (such as the Just Transition Fund and the Green and Digital Agenda).

Job Presentation (We propose)

We offer an interesting, varied, and rewarding case-handler position. The successful candidate will be responsible for the legal and/or economic assessment of regional investment aid, infrastructure and disaster aid, irrespective of their nature (pre-notification, notification by Member States, complaint, etc.). A case-handler (individually or as a member of a team) is responsible for a certain number of State aid cases and deals with every stage in the procedure, from the initial examination to the adoption of a formal Commission decision.

The successful candidate will also deal with policy work, for projects where the Unit is in charge or associated. This position requires frequent contacts with Member State representatives, legal and economic advisers of aid beneficiaries, as well as colleagues from other Directorates-General of the Commission. The successful candidate will participate, in particular, in regular cooperation with DG REGIO, for example, in preparing DG COMP's contribution to projects related to the EU Structural Funds. We offer the opportunity to join a dynamic team of professionals working in a stimulating, friendly, and team-oriented atmosphere.

Jobholder Profile (We look for)

We look for a dynamic and experienced professional with a solid legal and/or economic background. The position requires good analytical and organisational skills, and an excellent command of English. Knowledge of an additional Community language at B1 level is necessary. Good drafting skills are indispensable. The candidate should also combine team spirit with a strong sense of initiative for working independently.

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 you 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)