

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

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| DG – Directorate – Unit | DG Economic and Financial Affairs – Directorate for Macroeconomic policies – Unit Fiscal policy and surveillance (EFCIN C.1) |
| Post number in sysper: | 271379 |
| Contact person: Provisional starting date: Initial duration: Place of secondment: | Gilles Mourre Position available as of 1 November 2024, but starting on 1 January 2025 could be discussed. 2 years <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, Norway) | |
| Deadline for applications | <input checked="" type="radio"/> 2 months <input type="radio"/> 1 month Latest application date: 25-09-2024 |

Entity Presentation (We are)

Our unit contributes to the policy decision-making process at the European level in the field of the Economic and Monetary Union (EMU) to achieve and maintain sound and sustainable public finances in the euro area and the EU. The unit's work focuses on

improving the EU fiscal framework and reinforcing the coordination of Member States' budgetary policies. We monitor the implementation of the EU fiscal surveillance framework (the Stability and Growth Pact). In this context, we develop analytical and policy tools to address the soundness and overall quality of fiscal policy. This implies work on budgetary developments, policy strategies, and methodological and analytical work on key public finance issues. The unit coordinates the production of the Report on Public Finances in EMU, which includes analysis of the budgetary developments and the implementation of the EU fiscal framework as well as thematic studies particularly relevant in the policy debate on public finances and the conduct of fiscal surveillance. As part of its work, the unit maintains close contact with Member States' authorities, the European Central Bank (ECB) and international organisations, in particular the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).

Job Presentation (We propose)

We propose a job covering the following areas:

- Assessing fiscal policy of the euro area as a whole and its implications for the policy mix at the aggregate and national level.
- Examining factors affecting the quality of fiscal policy, in particular the determinants of successful fiscal adjustment.
- Preparing the fiscal policy guidance for the ECOFIN Council, Eurogroup and OECD, IMF, G7 and G20 meetings. In exercising its tasks, the unit works closely with other units in the Directorate and throughout the Directorate General for Economic and Financial Affairs.
- Developing and helping to apply the necessary empirical and theoretical aspects of analytical tools that can be used in the context of the implementation and the development of the Stability and Growth Pact, ensuring a sound analytical basis.
- Contributing to development of consistent assessments and recommendations in the context of the Stability and Growth Pact.
- Participating to the information activity of the DG through extensive contacts and participation in events with other EU institutions, the ECB, Member States, international organization and relevant stakeholders.

Jobholder Profile (We look for)

We are looking for a dynamic, highly motivated and analytically strong economist, possibly with some experience of the EU surveillance framework, to join our team with a view to providing economic analysis and policy advice on the domain of competence of the unit listed above.

The position requires close collaboration with other members of the unit and with colleagues. Therefore, strong interpersonal skills and a cooperative approach to dealing with colleagues are essential. The successful candidate should have good organisational skills and be able to deal efficiently with multiple requests and 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)