



## VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

DG – Directorate – Unit	ECFIN.DDG1.C.1
Post number in sysper:	350075
Contact person:	Gilles Mourre
Provisional starting date:	1 February 2025
Initial duration:	2 years
Place of secondment:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brussels <input type="checkbox"/> Luxemburg <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <a href="#">Click or tap here to enter text.</a>
Type of secondment	<input checked="" type="radio"/> With allowances <input type="radio"/> Cost-free
This vacancy notice is open to: <input checked="" type="radio"/> <b>EU Member States</b> 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"/> <b>EFTA-EEA In-Kind agreement (Iceland, Liechtenstein,</b>	
Deadline for applications	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 2 months <input type="radio"/> 1 month Latest application date: 25-11-2024

### Entity Presentation (We are)

The mission of the unit is to contribute to achieving and maintaining sound and sustainable public finances in the euro area and the EU as well as to contribute to the policy decision making process at the European level in the field of the Economic and Monetary Union (EMU). To achieve these objectives, the unit aims at improving the EU fiscal framework and at reinforcing the co-ordination of budgetary policies of Member States. The unit monitors the implementation of the budgetary surveillance framework, in particular the

Stability and Growth Pact, as reformed in April 2024. In this context, it develops other analytical and policy tools to address the overall quality of fiscal policy. This implies work on budgetary developments and policy strategies, as well as methodological and analytical work on specific public finance key issues. The unit coordinates the production of the Public Finance in EMU report, which includes analyses of the budgetary developments, the implementation of the EU fiscal framework as well as thematic studies on public finance issues particularly relevant in the policy debate and the conduct of fiscal surveillance. The unit is also charge of the evaluation and analysis of the European instrument for temporary support to mitigate unemployment risks in an emergency (SURE), put in place during le Covid19 pandemic and discontinued since then.

As part of its work, the unit maintains close contact with Member States authorities, the ECB and international organisations, in particular the IMF and the OECD.

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

The jobholder will contribute to the work of the unit, particularly in 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, G20 meetings. In exercising its tasks, the unit works closely with other units in the Directorate and throughout the DG.
- 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 the development of consistent cross-country fiscal-related recommendations in the context of the Stability and Growth Pact, the Broad Economic Policy Guidelines and the Macroeconomic Imbalances Procedure.
- Evaluating and analysing the European instrument for temporary support to mitigate unemployment risks in an emergency (SURE).
- Participating in 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. The economist will provide economic analyses and policy advice on the domain of competence of the unit.

The position requires close collaboration with other members of the unit and with colleagues in the DG. Therefore, strong interpersonal skills and a cooperative approach to

dealing with colleagues are essential. The successful candidate should have good organisation 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 <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)