

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

DG – Directorate – Unit	Directorate General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries (DG MARE) Directorate A -Maritime Policy and Blue Economy Unit A1 – Maritime Innovation, Marine knowledge, and Investments
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Provisional starting date: Initial duration: Place of secondment:	2025 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: 27-01-2025

Entity Presentation (We are)

Unit A1 promotes the research, innovation and skills for blue economy. It aims to create a better understanding of the ocean resources and advocate their sustainable use. The Unit leads on promoting innovative and emerging technologies and ensuring broad dissemination of marine knowledge and research. The Unit fosters innovation and provides policy input to Horizon Europe and to smart specialisation strategies. It is also in the lead for providing policy input to the investment strategies for blue economy and InvestEU programme, promoting the use of sustainable investments, innovation, and job creation in Europe.

Job Presentation (We propose)

Under the supervision of the Head of Unit, contribute to:

- DG's position on relevant dossiers, notably marine litter and ocean literacy
- Development and implementation of initiatives and actions on marine environment and marine litter
- Development and implementation of ocean literacy activities and relevant initiatives
- Maritime policies for the upgrading of skills, training, and competences in various sectors of the blue economy
- Development and steering of policy initiatives and actions in the area of marine data for maritime policy and the blue economy.

Jobholder Profile (We look for)

- Proven experience in policy making in the fields related to marine science, ideally linked to marine pollution and/or ocean literacy
- Use of marine data for policy development, involvement in the development of citizen science initiatives linked to ocean literacy, marine pollution, marine ecosystem knowledge and protection
- Experience in maritime policies for the upgrading of skills, training and competences in various sectors of the blue economy
- Experience in running ocean literacy activities and relevant initiatives at regional, national scale
- Relevant experience in engaging with public and private stakeholders on issues of marine conservation, sustainability and protection
- Very good oral and written knowledge of English; a second Commission working language (French or German) is also required.

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)