

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

DG – Directorate – Unit	DG REFORM – Directorate B - Unit B.3
Post number in sysper:	447545
Contact person:	Kaspar RICHTER
Provisional starting date:	4 th quarter 2024
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, Norway)	
Deadline for applications	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 2 months <input type="radio"/> 1 month Latest application date: 25-07-2024

Entity Presentation (We are)

Directorate General for Structural Reform Support (DG REFORM) is under the coordination of Commissioner Ferreira. The mission of DG REFORM is to provide and coordinate technical support to Member States for the preparation and implementation of structural reforms - in particular in the context of economic governance process - as well as for the efficient and effective use of the European Union funds. The support is open to all Member States, upon request.

DG REFORM currently provides support to 27 Member States. It has approximately 200 members of staff based in Brussels, Athens, Nicosia, Zagreb and Bucharest. It is composed of a management team, a horizontal policies unit and two Directorates. Directorate A is composed of 4 units responsible for budget and finance; planning, evaluation and coordination of support; Cyprus settlement support and Communication and Performance Management. Directorate B is composed of 5 units responsible for revenue administration and public financial management; governance and public administration; sustainable growth and business environment; labour market, education, health and social services; and financial sector and access to finance.

DG REFORM manages the Technical Support Instrument (TSI). The TSI is the European Commission's key tool for supporting Member States in designing and implementing growth-enhancing and inclusive reforms, which can also offer support to Member States for the preparation and implementation of their Recovery and Resilience Plan. The TSI has a dedicated budget and a legal framework for the provision of technical support to Member States. DG REFORM also manages the Aid Programme for the Turkish Cypriot community.

Unit B3 'Sustainable Growth and Business Environment' provides and coordinates technical support in the areas of competitiveness (industry, SMEs, competition, digital economy, innovation, foreign investments, trade, better regulation, state assets, transport and mobility) and sustainability (climate, environment, sustainable development and energy).

Job Presentation (We propose)

An SNE post in charge of the design, implementation and monitoring of technical support programmes and projects for EU Member States in the area of energy.

In particular:

(S)he will provide general analysis on developments in the policy area of energy, in selected Member States.

(S)he will contribute to the development and deployment of technical support projects, in coordination with other EC services and technical support providers.

(S)he will prepare, monitor and ensure effective implementation of technical support projects, in liaison with technical support providers.

(S)he will participate in discussions with the Member States that benefit from technical support and with technical support providers, and (s)he will carry-out internal coordination tasks with other Commission services, as required by the work of DG REFORM.

(S)he will prepare and coordinate briefings, working papers and other material in the field of activity.

Jobholder Profile (We look for)

We are looking for a candidate with a strong background and proven experience in the area of energy.

Experience and knowledge in any of the areas below would be an advantage: energy efficiency, renewable energy, energy markets, climate mitigation, energy and climate planning.

The successful candidate should also possess robust analytical skills, good communication skills, excellent drafting skills in English and good policy judgment.

The ideal candidate is a committed and enthusiastic colleague with a good sense of responsibility and initiative, service-minded, able to prioritise work and ready to work in a challenging environment.

The candidate should be able to work independently as well as a part of a team together with the rest of the unit.

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)