



VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

DG – Directorate – Unit	SANTE.A.5
Post number in sysper:	271609
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Provisional starting date:	1 st quarter 2025
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: 17-12-2024

Entity Presentation (We are)

DG Health and Food Safety (DG SANTE) aims to deliver to Europeans the peace of mind that comes with access to healthcare, safe food to eat and protection against epidemics and diseases. Its goal is to build and maintain Europe’s high standards on food and feed safety, animal and plant health, as well as the most affordable, accessible, and high-quality health systems. DG SANTE has a holistic approach -One Health- to health, acknowledging the interdependency between humans, animals and their environment to emerging health

problems through effective and sustainable policies that address possible trade-offs across disciplines.

The “Bilateral International Relations” Unit in the Directorate One Health comprises of 16 staff and is based in Brussels. We offer an interesting post in one of the Commission's current priority files in the international field in the Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) and public health policy field under a ‘One-Health’ approach.

Job Presentation (We propose)

Under the supervision of an AD official, the expert will work on the following tasks, with the overall purpose to contribute to the definition of political objectives and priorities, and to the provision of guidance and support, primarily in the context of DG SANTE activities regarding enlargement:

- To analyse political needs and contribute to the definition of political objectives and priorities in the fields of public health and food safety/SPS.
- To collect, assess and use data and other relevant information necessary for developing policy activities.
- To contribute to the internal planning and programming in the area of the enlargement process regarding food safety/SPS and the public health policies and ensure its development and implementation.
- To provide guidance and support to DG SANTE line units, EU agencies and enlargement countries.
- To work actively towards better internal co-ordination and co-operation within the team, the DG and between Commission departments.
- To organise, participate and/or assist the Commission in meetings with stakeholders, including Member States and enlargement countries, and prepare minutes.
- To draft briefing notes for the hierarchy, answers to letters and examine relevant interservice consultations and advise on the position to be taken. To draft answers to oral and written questions and petitions of MEPs.

Jobholder Profile (We look for)

University degree or professional training or professional experience of an equivalent level in the field(s): public health or human medicine /veterinary medicines or natural sciences, or alternatively in law/economic/political sciences, with some knowledge or experience in the fields of food safety/SPS and/or public health.

An international background (e.g. negotiations in bilateral or multilateral fora) and with a particular interest in enlargement policy.

Very good command of written and oral English is essential. Knowledge of French and/or German would be an asset.

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)