

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

DG – Directorate – Unit	TAXUD-A3.002 - Risk Management and Security
Post number in sysper:	296231
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Provisional starting date:	2nd quarter 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"/> 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: 25-02-2025

**Entity Presentation (We are)**

The Directorate General Customs and Taxation (DG TAXUD) mission is to promote fair and sustainable policies that generate revenue for the EU and its Member States and ensure that EU citizens and businesses benefit from global trade and a safe and secure Single Market protected at its borders.

Directorate A is responsible for the EU Customs policy in all its facets, including general customs policy vis-à-vis the Member States; customs legislation (including the Commission proposal to reform the Customs Union); the Common risk management framework, the customs implications of fiscal and non-fiscal risks; the Joint Analytical Capability for Customs Risk Detection; international coordination and enlargement; and rules of origin and customs valuation. Directorate A is also in the lead for the customs input and implications of EU sanctions policy and the Security Union and is coordinating the implementation of the EU Customs Control Equipment Instrument (CCEI). The Directorate is a dynamic and welcoming team, composed of 6 units and around 160 staff members.

Within Directorate A, Unit A.3 "Risk Management and security" (+/- 50 colleagues including external staff) is responsible for customs risk management and security of the supply chain, through the EU customs risk management framework, the coordination of priority controls, the Authorised Economic Operators programme, and analytics of risk management.

Unit A.3 contributes to customs union policy and monitors its implementation in the EU. It also contributes to other interrelated policies and to international cooperation and ensures the coordination of the contribution of the Directorate General to the Security Union Agenda. It is also involved in the application of the EU sanctions vis-à-vis Russia and the assessment of risks posed by e-commerce imports.

Customs legislation gives significant means to achieve the objectives of an increased security and safety of the citizens and a higher protection for the financial interest of the EU and the Member States. The work of the Unit shapes the future handling of customs risks relating to any issue in customs supply chain including dangerous artifacts and unsafe, counterfeit or non-compliant products, cigarettes smuggling, radioactive substances and the implementation of sanctions.

The Directorate is also engaged in the negotiation of the Customs Reform proposal with the co-legislators. If approved by the Council, the creation of the European Customs Agency as of 2028 will have important implications for the work of Directorate A who will have to interact with the Agency on a regular basis. Unit A3 is in charge of developing the policies on data analysis and risk management that the future Agency would be implementing.

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

An interesting and challenging job on the definition, functioning and implementation of the common risk management framework for financial risks.

Since the adoption of the financial risk criteria decision in 2023 and the finalisation of the Financial Risks Criteria (FRC) guidance, the priorities will be the implementation of the risk framework and its smooth transition to prepare for the EU customs authority (EUCA) in liaison with the data analytics team.

This work will be carried out together with a group of experts of the Member States and will include the development of a FRC Network connecting all actors having a role to play or able to feed in the financial risk management framework. It will also need to ensure that relevant data and information are collected or made available to support a robust risk

management system able to address the relevant financial risks for the EU and the Member States. One of the objectives is developing an EU data analytics system a way that addresses risks at EU level.

Particular attention will be given to e-commerce, that presents a major challenge in the forthcoming years.

The main part of the work will be to ensure that legal and practical arrangements are in place before the EUCA starts to work and to accompany the deployment of all necessary tools to prepare and facilitate this transition in an efficient way.

### **Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

We look for a motivated national expert who will enjoy working closely with colleagues from different cultural and linguistic backgrounds, and to contribute to developing a solid common risk management framework for financial risks.

The successful candidate will be in particular responsible for the definition, functioning and implementation of the framework. He/she will also contribute to the smooth transition towards the future EU customs authority that will take over the implementation of financial risks, in close liaison with the data analytics team. Special attention will be given to e-commerce and innovative approaches to cover financial risks related to e-commerce traffic.

We are looking for a motivated national expert who has knowledge and experience with customs risk management and customs controls. The ideal candidate would be familiar with financial risks like for instance antidumping and undervaluation.

Knowledge of financial risk criteria (FRC Decision), CBAM, data analytics and/or antifraud matters would be a strong advantage.

The candidate should have good analytical, drafting, communication and organizational skills (working documents, preparation of working groups).

The unit offers a motivated and mutually supportive team comprised by colleagues from different cultural and linguistic backgrounds and a very pleasant working environment with a flexible work organization and family-friendly working hours.

The successful candidate will be required to undergo security vetting if she or he does not already hold security clearance at an appropriate level (EU Restricted), in accordance with the relevant security provisions.

The working language is (mostly) English. Knowledge of other languages would be considered as an advantage

## **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)