



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

DG – Directorate – Unit	DG CONNECT A4
Post number in sysper:	469249
Contact person: Provisional starting date: Initial duration: Place of secondment:	MALGORZATA NIKOWSKA 1 quarter 2026 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
<p>This vacancy notice is open to:</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> EU Member States as well as</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The following EFTA countries: <input type="checkbox"/> Iceland <input type="checkbox"/> Liechtenstein <input type="checkbox"/> Norway <input type="checkbox"/> Switzerland</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The following third countries:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The following intergovernmental organisations: ...</p> <p><input type="radio"/> EFTA-EEA In-Kind agreement (Iceland, Liechtenstein, ...)</p>	
Deadline for applications	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 2 months <input type="radio"/> 1 month Latest application date: 25-11-2025

Entity Presentation (We are)

DG CNECT develops and implements policies to make Europe fit for the digital age.

Directorate CNECT.A "Artificial Intelligence (AI) Office" is the centre of AI expertise across the EU. The European AI Office supports the development and use of trustworthy

AI, while protecting against AI risks. The AI Office forms the foundation for a single European AI governance system.

Unit A.4's mission is to coordinate the implementation of Union initiatives and policies in the field of artificial intelligence. It is responsible for the overall AI innovation policy for which it serves as the central desk office. It monitors the operation of regulatory sandboxes and real-world testing in the Member States. It manages the network of European Digital Innovation Hubs and of Testing and Experimentation Facilities. It further monitors investment, and technological trends in AI. The unit also coordinates the development of AI literacy and skills activities and is responsible for the future Apply AI Strategy. The unit is also in charge of the coordination of Foreign Direct Investment process in the DG.

Job Presentation (We propose)

We have a very interesting vacancy to support the activities of the unit in coordinating and monitoring AI policies.

The jobholder will be involved in all the key tasks of the unit and in particular in the implementation of Apply AI strategy which aims at increasing the development and uptake of AI in key industrial sectors and in the public sector. The colleague will provide expertise and advice on AI policy development and strategic implementation with links to other relevant policy fields such as data policy as well as compute and cloud policy. (S)he will be a contact point to Member States and prepare content for the AI Board meetings and its sub group on the AI innovation ecosystem.

The jobholder will also be a project officer for a few European Digital Innovation Hubs and/or Testing and Experimentation Facilities projects which are in the remit of the unit and form inherent parts of the AI innovation ecosystem.

The jobholder will support the work on the AI Observatory, building the knowledge on AI investment and monitoring technological trends.

The post offers a great opportunity to be involved in an area of high impact and significance, and integration in our very enthusiastic and welcoming team.

Jobholder Profile (We look for)

We look for an experienced and result-driven colleague who is willing to contribute to the development of a strong ecosystem of AI innovation in Europe.

The successful candidate will have:

- Good understanding of AI technology and market
- Good knowledge of digital support policies and AI in particular;

- Good knowledge on the digital regulation landscape
- Knowledge of the administrative and financial procedures of the public sector, in particular procurement and funding processes
- Good oral and written communication skills in order to be able to interact and cooperate efficiently with a variety of stakeholders;
- Ability to work in a team, cooperate and develop smooth relations with other units in the DG, other DGs (in particular DG GROW and RTD) and other stakeholders.

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)