



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

## VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

DG – Directorate – Unit	SG D1  Secretariat-General  Directorate SG.D – Twin Transition, Economic & Social Affairs  Unit SG.D.1 – Digital Transition, Industry & Single Market
Post number in sysper:	<a href="#">351234</a>
Contact person:  Provisional starting date: Initial duration: Place of secondment:	Stefan Fuehring  3 <sup>rd</sup> quarter 2025  <a href="#">Click or tap here to enter text.</a> quarter 2 years <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brussels <input type="checkbox"/> Luxembourg <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <a href="#">Click or tap here to enter text.</a>
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> With allowances <input type="checkbox"/> Cost-free
This vacancy notice is open to:  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EU Member States <input type="checkbox"/> EFTA-EEA In-Kind agreement (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway)	
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Deadline for applications	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 months <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 month

### Entity Presentation (We are)

ENTITY PRESENTATION (We are):

Unit D.1 is responsible for policy coordination in the area of "Digital transition, industry and single market" in the Secretariat General. The unit ensures coherence with the Commission's strategic objectives and priorities, shapes cross-cutting policies and facilitates the smooth functioning of policy-making processes. Its mandate encompasses internal market, industry, competition, research and innovation, communication networks and digital transformation, content and technology. In fulfilling these tasks, the Unit liaises particularly closely with DG CNECT, DG GROW, DG RTD, DG COMP and the JRC. The Unit follows also the work of the European Parliament committees dealing with Internal Market and Consumer Protection (IMCO) and Industry, Research and Energy (ITRE). It is coordinating the Competitiveness Council and the Telecoms part of the Telecoms, Transport and Energy Council.

We are a service-oriented, transparent and responsible Unit working to the highest standards of ethics and integrity. Our action is guided by the need to direct efforts on issues that matter for citizens and businesses. It is based on the principles of collegiality, coherence, smart regulation and evidence-based policy-making.

To fulfil its tasks, the Unit oversees the policy coordination process in relevant areas, facilitates solutions, advises the hierarchy and political level about problems and proposes possible ways forward. We participate in trilogue negotiations and relevant European Parliament and Council meetings and assist lead services in taking forward and planning the Commission's position and its priorities. We provide analysis, assessments and orientation notes. We co-ordinate the preparation of horizontal projects and policy documents where the focus is on policy areas under our responsibility. We provide regular updates and political intelligence to the hierarchy of the Secretariat General and the relevant Cabinets.

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

We propose an attractive position of a policy coordination officer in the area of digital and industrial policies in a dynamic and committed team. We offer a high-paced environment with great team spirit and high levels of job satisfaction. The successful candidate would be responsible for policy coordination in the designated areas in view of ensuring that the concrete initiatives and proposals are fully aligned with the political objectives of the Commission. She/he would be expected to contribute to all stages of the decision-making process from inception, planning, impact assessment to adoption by the College and the interinstitutional process involving the Council and Parliament.

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

We are looking for an experienced and motivated colleague, who would be expected to quickly integrate in the team and work in a proactive and autonomous way. The successful candidate is assertive and focussed on delivering the Commission's priorities, while maintaining good and constructive relations with the Commission services and other relevant stakeholders. Experience in the area of digital policies, competition, internal

market, industrial, or research and innovation policies would be an asset. Experience with preparing horizontal, cross-cutting policy strategies, legislative proposals and inter-institutional negotiations would also be an asset. The successful candidate should be able to combine detailed knowledge of relevant files with the focus on the bigger picture. She/he would be able to quickly analyse and present complex policy issues. The successful candidate is result-oriented and applies Commission rules and policies in an efficient and pragmatic way. She/ he has good knowledge of better regulation rules and the working methods of the Commission. The candidate will work as a member of a strong team working closely with other parts of the SG and other interlocutors in line DGs. She/ he will be expected to deliver high quality input in a time-sensitive environment. This includes the ability to organise her/his work in line with the needs of the service.

### **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, a national expert needs 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 the 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 the 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. The national expert from a third country 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 the secondment, the national expert remains employed and remunerated by his / her employer and covered by his / her (national) social security system.

He / she shall exercise his / her 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.

Allowances can only be granted when the national expert fulfils 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](#)). The selected candidate has the obligation to launch the vetting procedure before getting the secondment confirmation.

### **Submission of applications and selection procedure**

Candidates should send their application according to the **Europass CV format** ([Create your Europass CV | Europass](#)) in English, French or German **only to the Permanent Representation / Diplomatic Mission to the EU of their country**, which will forward it to the competent services of the Commission within the deadline fixed by the latter. The CV must mention the date of birth and the nationality of the candidate.

Candidates are asked not to 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)