



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

DG – Directorate – Unit	TRADE F.1
Post number in sysper:	490002
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Provisional starting date:	1st quarter 2026
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 type="radio"/> With allowances <input type="radio"/> Cost-free
This vacancy notice is open to: <input 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 type="radio"/> 2 months <input type="radio"/> 1 month Latest application date: 27-10-2025

Entity Presentation (We are)

The Directorate General for Trade and Economic Security (DG TRADE) develops the EU's trade policy and coordinates economic security across the Commission. Within the DG, the newly created unit for economic security policy development and coordination is

the centre of the Commission's economic security work. In its role, the unit: (1) coordinates all economic security activities across the Commission including preparing the Commissioners' Project Group on Economic Security (CPGES); (2) develops the Commission's economic security approach, including new political initiatives such as the 'economic security doctrine' and 'economic security standards for resilient supply chains'; (3) oversees the development of all risk assessments done by Commission services; (4) coordinates the development and monitoring of mitigation measures; (5) drives the Commission's partnership agenda, including economic security dialogues with third countries.

Job Presentation (We propose)

The expert will assist in the formulation and implementation of EU policy on economic security and in coordinating specific aspects of economic security across the Commission. He/she will support the Commission in analysing and preparing policy recommendations linked to the changing geopolitical and geoeconomic environment, establishing closer cooperation on economic security with Member State authorities, the assessment of economic security risks, the identification of suitable policy responses through appropriate partner, promote and protect measures.

The expert will work under the supervision of an administrator. Without prejudice to the principle of loyal cooperation between the national/regional and European administrations, the expert will not work on individual cases with implications with files he/she would have had to deal with in his/her national administration in the two years preceding its entry into the Commission, or directly adjacent cases. In no case he/she shall represent the Commission in order to make commitments, financial or otherwise, or to negotiate on behalf of the Commission.

Jobholder Profile (We look for)

We are looking for a proactive, open-minded team player with excellent inter-personal skills, a sense of initiative, judgement, discretion and willingness to learn.

The ideal candidate will have knowledge and experience in one or more aspects of economic security, such as trade policy, security, foreign policy, intelligence, industrial policy, risk assessment.

The successful candidate should have excellent drafting skills and an ability to absorb a large amount of information, both political and technical in content, and present it in a way suitable for senior-level discussions. They need to have the capacity, drive and interest to develop good and cooperative contacts with other Commission services, Member State authorities and industry in sensitive policy areas.

The successful candidate must be ready to integrate into a highly competent, dedicated and dynamic multicultural team, to contribute towards the achievement of the unit's objectives and the implementation of the Commission's strategy. They should already be in possession of a security clearance or ready to launch the vetting procedure rapidly (up to SECRET UE/EU SECRET level according to [Commission Decision \(EU, Euratom\) 2015/444 of 13 March 2015](#)).

A key asset will be a wide range of knowledge and experience in international economic affairs, including relevant analytical skills. We are looking for a colleague with a sense of responsibility, with a focus on results-oriented work.

The unit's main working language is English. Fluency in French and/or German, including an ability to prepare briefings, will be seen 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 ⁽¹⁾. This applies in particular to the confidentiality and security of such data. Before applying, please read the attached privacy statement.

¹ (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