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VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

DG – Directorate – Unit	FISMA.C3
Post number in Sysper:	9029
Contact person:	Tatyana Panova
Provisional starting date:	3rd 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
<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, Norway)</p>	
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 unit deals with all aspects of capital markets in the Union and will play a key role in the upcoming Savings and Investment Union (SIU), one of the most prominent, challenging, and exciting projects under the new mandate of the European Commission, aiming to increase the competitiveness of the Union. The Unit will contribute to the SIU by increasing the competitiveness and attractiveness of EU capital markets, including by

enhancing the efficiency and effectiveness of the market infrastructure, such as trading venues, and by fostering the participation of retail and institutional investors in capital markets. This includes the rules applicable to securities on stock exchanges. The unit is also responsible for investor protection, including when services are provided digitally, initial public offerings (IPOs) and secondary admissions of securities to public markets, including the rules on the prospectus, as well as the apprehension of market abuse and insider dealing. Furthermore, the unit is charge of regulating short selling of shares and sovereign debt instruments, including sovereign credit default swaps.

In addition, the unit deals with financial benchmarks and plays an instrumental role in designing the policy relevant to climate change, for example through the development of the framework for ESG-related indices, such as the EU Paris-aligned and Climate Transition Benchmarks ('EU climate benchmarks').

The unit designs securities markets regulation that applies throughout the Union but also plays a vital role in negotiating international agreements in the areas it covers. The team is in regular contact with market regulators around the world, including the US Securities and Exchange Commission, the US Commodity Futures Trading Commission, as well as regulators in Australia, Singapore, Japan, Hong Kong, or Canada.

In addition to the development of new policy, the unit is also currently implementing a number of the already agreed key Capital Market Union projects, such as the introduction of a consolidated tape for equities, bonds and derivatives, the reform of the trading infrastructure in the Union and a root-and-branch reform of the listing rules of the Union.

The remit of the Unit also covers the regulation of commodity derivatives market (including energy derivatives) and of the emission trading allowance. The unit is likely to take on an important role in developing any future measures on energy with implications for financial markets.

The unit provides the secretariat for the European Securities Committee (ESC) and the Experts Group of the European Securities Committee (EGESC). It also manages relations with the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) for the whole DG FISMA, including the coordination of the ESMA Board of Supervisors.

The unit is in charge of several equivalence or mutual recognition negotiations on securities issues with third countries.

Finally, it has a very wide array of contacts with the European Parliament, Member States, stakeholders' organizations, market participants, investors' representatives and academia.

The unit currently comprises a staff of 18 colleagues, one third of them seconded from regulators and finance ministries.

Job Presentation (We propose)

You will focus, among others, on the reform of the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive (MiFID II), which includes the implementation of the recently negotiated "Listing Act" and the development of the retail investment strategy. Your tasks may include participation to the ongoing interinstitutional negotiations on the review of the investor protection regime in the wider context of the review of the MiFID II and other reforms aimed at boosting the number of listed companies in the Union.

Furthermore, you will support the team dealing with other key files, including the reform of the Benchmark Regulation, possible enhancement of the rules applicable to EU climate benchmarks, as well as the reform of commodity derivatives, including derivatives relating to energy markets.

You may also be assigned to other projects and tasks, depending on new priorities of the unit under the next term of the European Commission.

In most of your tasks, you will be working as part of a small team of experts. For certain projects, we could rely on you to lead the efforts of a small team.

Job requirements

Ideally, you will have hands-on experience in the areas covered by MiFID II, including investor protection and the functioning of the commodity derivatives (including energy derivatives), as well as in the areas covered by the Benchmark Regulation. You will also be a good fit if you have experience in adjacent areas of expertise, such as sustainable finance (including EU climate benchmarks), the regulation of initial public offerings, the prospectus, market abuse or short-selling.

Personal qualities

We like the members of our team to be self-starters who work well within an environment made of small project teams. In some cases, we would like you to take responsibility for a project and will rely on you to design and test appropriate policies on your own initiative once the overall aims of the project have been defined. An excellent command of spoken and written English is a pre-requisite, as this is the language in which documents will be drafted.

Jobholder Profile (We look for)

Diploma

- university degree or
- professional training or professional experience of an equivalent level

in the field(s): law or economics (mathematics may be considered).

Professional experience

Solid experience and in-depth knowledge of financial markets regulations, in particular legislations in the remit of the Unit.

Excellent communication skills.

Excellent organisational and inter-personal skills.

Language(s) necessary for the performance of duties

The seconded national expert must have knowledge of two EU languages. The team works in English. Knowledge of French is a plus.

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)