



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

DG – Directorate – Unit	TAXUD – C– 4
Post number in sysper:	443705
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Provisional starting date:	3rd quarter 2024
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.
	<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)	
This vacancy notice is also open to:	
<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:	
Deadline for applications	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 months <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 month

Entity Presentation (We are)

The Directorate General for Taxation & Customs Union's (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.

Within DG TAXUD, Directorate C is developing an overall policy in the area of indirect taxation, including financial sector taxation as well as environmental, transport and energy taxation, VAT, excise duties and tax administration. It is also responsible for developing and implementing the Carbon border adjustment mechanism and tax initiatives included in the European Green Deal.

Unit TAXUD.C.4 "VAT Administrative Cooperation and Legal Issues" is responsible for the necessary legislative framework and environment at EU level to foster VAT administrative cooperation and mutual assistance between Member States in the interest of the smooth functioning of the internal market and the fight against fiscal fraud in particular. To provide support to tax administrations of Member States to enable them to fulfil their role within the internal market by facilitating assistance and sharing of best practices. This involves, in the field described above, the management of infringement procedures and legal disputes before the Court of Justice including references for a preliminary ruling, the management of complaints as well as of petitions submitted to the European Parliament including the preparation of replies to parliamentary questions and to the letters of European citizens and operators and opinions on state aid cases.

Job Presentation (We propose)

Develop EU legislation and policy in the area of administrative cooperation, mutual assistance and anti-fraud in the field of Value Added Tax (VAT) and support the work of all sectors of the Unit TAXUD C4 "VAT administrative Cooperaton and Legal Issues".

Prepare draft working papers, briefings, speeches and other material, inter alia for working groups, committees etc. Analyse relevant policy options, follow up on the implementation and application of EU legislation. Reply to questions from operators, national administrations, and Commission services on the interpretation of existing EU legislation.

The job entails continuous contacts with other Commission services, other EU institutions and Member States as well as with business groups, academics and other interested parties.

Jobholder Profile (We look for)

At least 5 years of professional experience, including 3 years' work experience in the Value Added Tax (VAT) and solid legal or public administration background. Experience with international cooperation and anti-fraud policies would be an asset. Understanding of VAT mutual assistance with third countries or recovery of tax debts will be an advantage. A knowledge of customs procedures or international cooperation in the filed of criminal matters would also be an advantage.

Previous experience in drafting legislation, consultation or policy documents, studies and reports.

Experience in the evaluation of policies and impact assessments. Experience in managing external contractors is an asset.

Good analytical and drafting skills are required.

Ability to manage complex information, present it in a synthetic manner and propose solutions is an asset.

Professional knowledge of English, satisfactory knowledge of another EU language.

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 ⁽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)