

**VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT**

DG – Directorate – Unit	RTD.03
Post number in sysper:	364935
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Provisional starting date:	3rd quarter 2023
Initial duration:	1 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)

Unit RTD.03 provides support to the European Group on Ethics in Science and New Technologies (EGE) and to the Group of Chief Scientific Advisors (GCSA) that, together with the Unit itself, is part of the Scientific Advice Mechanism (SAM).

The GCSA delivers transparent, high quality, timely and independent scientific advice for policy and/or legislation to the College of European Commissioners. The EGE is an independent, multi-disciplinary body appointed by the President of the European Commission, which advises on all aspects of Commission policies and legislation where ethical, societal and fundamental rights dimensions intersect with the development of science and new technologies.

The Unit operates with a network of Commission Services concerned by science-to-policy advice and the research ethics ecosystem, particularly with: Joint Research Centre; European executive agencies; European science academies; main scientific and research stakeholders and partner entities in the EU

Member States and internationally. It also liaises with the international organisations tasked with ethics and fundamental rights in the governance of new technologies.

The Unit operates along the Commission's priorities, contributing to the Better Regulation Agenda and the implementation of the European Research Area policies, including the design and oversight of the Horizon Europe Ethics Appraisal Process

Job Presentation (We propose)

The successful candidate will provide support to the European Commission's Group of Chief Scientific Advisors, tasked with delivering high-quality, timely and independent scientific advice to the College of European Commissioners.

The Seconded National Expert (SNE) will contribute to the co-ordination and effective implementation of projects of the Scientific Advice Mechanism of the European Commission. The work, at the interface between science and EU policymaking, supports the development of scientific advice to policy on diverse topics such as the energy transition, cancer screening and one-health.

Contribution to the conception and preparation of reports. To search, verify and elaborate data, carry out analyses, prepare briefings and speeches, talk in public, report from meetings and other activities instrumental for policy shaping and defining options at EU level.

The SNE will work under the supervision of an administrator. Without prejudice to the principle of loyal cooperation between the national/regional and European administrations, the SNE will not work on individual cases with implications for files he/she had to deal with in his/her national administration in the two years preceding its entry into the Commission, or directly adjacent cases.

Jobholder Profile (We look for)

The successful candidate must be an experienced person able to demonstrate very good analytical skills to make sound judgements on the current state of play on relevant policy and programmes. Excellent drafting skills; excellent organisational and inter-personal skills and teamwork .

Good command of English is essential; any other language would be an asset.

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

⁽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)

in particular to the confidentiality and security of such data. Before applying, please read the attached privacy statement.