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VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

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| DG – Directorate – Unit | BUDG. A2.001 |
| Post number in sysper: | **421917** |
| Contact person:  Provisional starting date:  Initial duration:  Place of secondment: | LOPEZ LLEDO Juan José / FILIPIUK Bogna  3 quarter 2023  2 years  Brussels  Luxemburg  Other: Click or tap here to enter text. |
|  | With allowances  Cost-free |
| This vacancy notice is open to:  EU Member States  EFTA-EEA In-Kind agreement (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway) | |
| This vacancy notice is also open to:  The following EFTA countries:  Iceland  Liechtenstein  Norway  Switzerland  The following third countries:  The following intergovernmental organisations: | |
| Deadline for applications | 2 months  1 month |

**Entity Presentation (We are)**

DG Budget consists of 550 staff coming from all EU Member States and is made up of six departments based in Brussels and Luxembourg.

Unit A2 acts as a proactive and strategic business partner for other Commission services on cohesion policy and natural resources policies covering more than 60% of the EU Budget and instrumental for key EU policy priorities.

The MFF funds and programmes under our responsibility include: all Cohesion Policy funds, the two pillars of the Common Agricultural Policy, the European Maritime, Aquaculture and Fisheries Fund, the LIFE programme, the Just Transition Fund and the Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism. Under our remit also fall some special instruments, such as the European Union Solidarity Fund, the Brexit Adjustment Reserve and the Innovation Fund.

We accompany the policy DGs, throughout the annual budgetary cycle, to ensure that the budgetary resources put at their disposal underpin the delivery of EU political priorities and are implemented in line with the financial and sectoral rules. Notably, we prepare and defend vis-à-vis the budgetary authority the Commission draft budget proposal and ensure that adjustments are made in the budget to address emerging needs.

Our expertise allows us to have an active role in the assessment of new legislative proposals taking into consideration sound financial management principles. We will also co-shape the next MFF that will provide financial allocations to funds and programmes, in accordance with the policy priorities and taking into account the outcomes of the mid-term review of the current MFF that will be published in June.

**Job Presentation (We propose)**

We offer a challenging and interesting position working with friendly and dedicated colleagues, supported by a Head of unit with a modern management style and respect for work-life-balance.

The successful candidate will play an active role in the shaping of Commission’s proposals for the post-2027 MFF for both cohesion and agricultural policies, by taking into account the lessons learned from the current generation of programmes.

Depending on your profile, you will be involved in the unit’s work related to the funds contributing to the Commission’s important political priorities, such as the European Green Deal and an Economy that works for people.

You will be involved in the preparation of briefings for the Commissioner and the hierarchy, answering to MEP’s questions or examination of inter-service consultations.

We offer a comprehensive coaching programme with more experienced colleagues to help you developing the necessary knowledge and understanding how the unit works. We will also support you in developing your skills, performance and career.

**Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

Are you self-motivated and do you enjoy taking the lead? Do you take a forward-looking and dynamic approach to new challenges? Do you thrive in a stimulating environment where you are encouraged to take initiatives and where you are supported in taking responsibility? Then you could be the person we are looking for.

You will also need:

- Good analytical skills and sound judgement to assess the potential impact of a proposal and to identify the most sensitive issues.

- Good oral and written communication skills to effectively negotiate with partner DGs and to brief the hierarchy in a succinct manner, using a non-technical terminology.

- To be able to react fast when needed.

- To have affinity in working with figures.

- To be a team-player, open to dialogue with colleagues and ready to provide assistance when needed.

If you have experience/knowledge in the EU budget (budget and/or financial management) it would be an advantage for this post.

You should have a very good command of English or French. Other languages are welcome but not indispensable.

The use of the usual IT tools, in particular an excellent command of Excel, is required.

**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](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:32015D0444). 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](https://europa.eu/europass/en/create-europass-cv)](http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/documents/curriculum-vitae)) 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]](#footnote-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 [↑](#footnote-ref-1)