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VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

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| DG – Directorate – Unit | SG.RECOVER |
| Post number in sysper: | 451318 |
| Contact person:  Provisional starting date:  Initial duration:  Place of secondment: | Céline Gauer - celine.gauer@ec.europa.eu  4th quarter 2024  2 years  Brussels  Luxemburg  Other: |
|  | 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)**

The Recovery and Resilience Task Force (RECOVER) was created in August 2020 for the implementation of the Recovery and Resilience Facility, the centre piece of “Next Generation EU” an unprecedented EU recovery instrument worth more than EUR 700 billion and one of the main political priorities of the Commission.

In close cooperation with the Commission’s Directorate-General for Economic and Financial Affairs and with the close involvement of all relevant services, we are negotiating and implementing national plans to recover from the pandemic and make our economies and societies more sustainable, more digital and more resilient.

We are also contributing to implementing the REPowerEU Commission initiative aiming to make Europe independent from Russian fossil fuels.

We are also responsible for the coordination of the European Semester.

RECOVER reports to Commission President Ursula von der Leyen. It comprises three Directorates with a workforce of some 180 staff. It is based in Brussels, with European Semester Officers in the Commission’s representations.

**Job Presentation (We propose)**

We propose a position as policy officer in a dynamic and stimulating environment. As part of one or two country teams, you will support the relevant Member States in designing and implementing their Recovery and Resilience Plans. To this purpose, you will closely engage with the Member States’ authorities and with a variety of national and European stakeholders. You will be part of the negotiations with Member States on possible amendments to their Recovery and Resilience Plans. You will contribute to the design and implementation of the REPowerEU initiative in relation to the Member States.

You will also contribute to the coordination of the economic policies of the Member States, in the context of a renewed European Semester. You will make use of the field knowledge developed in the exchange with Member States to contribute to the preparation of thematic analyses on how the RRF supports the achievement of the Commission’s policy priorities.

You will enjoy considerable autonomy in the development of fulfilling tasks, while having access to close management support and guidance. You will be part of different teams in a small and flat structure. You will closely liaise with different services of the Commission, develop specific country knowledge and be in a unique position in the Commission to understand the concrete application and implications of EU policies in the different Member States.

**Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

**We look for a motivated team-player with:**

**• good conceptual and analytical skills;**

**• communication and negotiation skills;**

**• the ability to represent the Commission at technical level;**

**• interest in a broad range of Commission policies.**

**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)