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VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

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| DG – Directorate – Unit | FISMA.C1 |
| Post number in sysper: | 459791 |
| Contact person:  Provisional starting date:  Initial duration:  Place of secondment: | Sven Gentner  1st quarter 2025  2 years  Brussels  Luxemburg  Other: Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Type of secondment |  |
| This vacancy notice is open to:    as well as  The following EFTA countries:  Iceland  Liechtenstein  Norway  Switzerland  The following third countries: ….  The following intergovernmental organisations: … | |
| Deadline for applications | Latest application date: 17-12-2024 |

**Entity Presentation (We are)**

Unit C1’s mission is to ensure the quality, reliability and availability of public information about European companies and their securities in a wide range of fields, including in particular [financial and non-financial information in corporate reports](https://finance.ec.europa.eu/capital-markets-union-and-financial-markets/company-reporting-and-auditing/company-reporting_en). This information serves to promote efficient capital markets; to ensure the stability of financial markets; to ensure that investment decisions take into account a range of environmental, social and governance matters; and, more generally, to protect the interest of members, investors and other providers of capital of limited liability companies. In addition, the transparency of European companies promotes corporate social responsibility. The principal activities of the unit include policy-making and managing legislation in the following areas:

* environmental, social and governance information by public interest entities;
* accounting requirements for both listed and non-listed companies;
* the availability and usability of regulated information for listed companies;
* [audit](https://finance.ec.europa.eu/capital-markets-union-and-financial-markets/company-reporting-and-auditing/auditing-companies-financial-statements_en) and assurance of company reports; and
* the quality of [credit ratings](https://finance.ec.europa.eu/capital-markets-union-and-financial-markets/financial-markets/regulating-credit-rating-agencies_en).

To this end, Unit C1 engages with a broad range of European and international regulatory and standard-setting organisations. The unit also seeks to streamline and modernise the corporate disclosure framework by the use of modern, digital technologies to enhance the availability and usability of company information.

**Job Presentation (We propose)**

To participate in the conception, elaboration, negotiation and follow-up of harmonisation measures in the field of financial reporting with a particular emphasis on international accounting standards.

Draft policy proposals, background papers and legislative proposals in the field of accounting.

Maintain regular contacts and exchanges of information with public and professional bodies in the Member States as well as with the private sector.

Follow closely the work of the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) on IFRS Accounting Standards and related interpretations (IFRIC). Prepare and participate in meetings with the IASB and IFRS Interpretations Committee. The ideal candidate will have the ability to follow the technical debate on the development (of amendments) of accounting standards, while having a broader view of the issues related to the annual financial report, including innovation (digitalisation, structured data, etc.), sustainability and creation of a Capital Markets Union.

Follow the work of main European bodies active in the development of accounting standards. In particular, prepare and participate in the Accounting Regulatory Committee (ARC) meetings and the Technical Expert Group meetings of the European financial reporting advisory group EFRAG.

Be the point of contact between the unit and the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) with respect to accounting, auditing and transparency. Prepare and participate as appropriate in the [Issuers Standing Committee meetings of ESMA](https://www.esma.europa.eu/about-esma/governance-structure/standing-committees).

Preparing and / or co-ordinating replies to external requests for information relevant to the work of the unit.

**Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

- diploma:

University level education of at least 4 years. Economics, finance, banking and insurance, specialisation in accounting, in particular IFRS Accounting Standards

- professional experience: minimum 3 years

- language(s) necessary for the performance of duties: English, French

**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 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](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:32015D0444). 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 you CV in English, French or German using 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)). 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]](#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)