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| DG – Directorate – Unit | DG TRADE-Directorate A-Unit A1 |
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| Contact person:Provisional starting date:Initial duration:Place of secondment: | Antonio FERNÁNDEZ-MARTOS3rd quarter 2025 quarter 20242 years[x]  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 |  |

**Entity Presentation (We are)**

DG Trade has the task of conducting EU trade policy, one of the EU’s exclusive competences. Trade is one of the EU’s most powerful tools. It is at the centre of Europe’s economic prosperity and competitiveness, supporting a vibrant internal market and assertive external action.

Our unit is responsible for a number of key aspects of DG Trade’s work. We work on the coordination of the EU's positions in the World Trade Organization and on industrial subsidies, and are responsible for the EU’s policy and strategy on export credits. The export credit work is driven by the objectives of securing a level playing field, competitiveness and sustainability. The environment is fast-paced and challenging as well as collegial and cooperative.

**Job Presentation (We propose)**

A challenging position for a dynamic, experienced professional, with opportunities to help shape EU policy on export credits at a crucial time. Tasks will include:

Preparing EU positions within the Council Export Credits Working Group and negotiation of disciplines and rules on export credits in the OECD;

Monitoring and researching export credit issues both from EU and international perspective in support of the formulation and implementation of policy;

Advancing work on the EU strategy on export credits, including with regard to any new instruments at EU level and the interaction between EU regulatory measures and export credits; and

Interacting with civil society, including business representatives as well as non-governmental organizations with an interest in export finance.

**Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

We are seeking a colleague with strong communication, analysis and problem solving skills, a commitment to deliver quality and results alongside a capacity to prioritise and organize their workload, and a proven ability to work well within a team. Resilience and an openness to learn new skills and ways of working are also essential qualities.

Relevant professional experience could include:

Work in the field of export credits, including the development of government policies on export credits;

Experience within the context of the Arrangement on Officially Supported Export Credits, and/or the Expert Credits Group of the OECD, or other relevant international fora;

Experience of the development of European policies on export credits or other related fields; and

Experience of negotiations; external representation of an organization; and general presentation skills.

**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 his 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)