

Seconded National Expert (SNE) - JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title: SNE - covering Security/Counterterrorism issues

Job Location: Delegation of the European Union

Area of activity: Security/Counter-Terrorism

Category:

Duration of secondment: two years (extendable)

Job Content

Overall purpose: assist EU Delegation to monitor security developments, help establish and maintain EU relations with local counterparts on counterterrorism and preventing/countering violent extremism (P/CVE), and contribute to analysis and reporting in the fields of security, counterterrorism, rule of Law, security sector reform, under the direct supervision of the Head of Delegation. He/she will be based in the country and will be required to travel in the country and in the region where necessary.

Functions and Duties:

The expert will assist / contribute:

- To follow the security situation and related developments in the country and region and support the EU Delegation (and other Delegations as appropriate in the region) with advice on matters related to security, with a focus on counterterrorism, radicalisation, and preventing/countering violent extremism,
- To analyse and to report on developments in the area of security, with a particular focus on counterterrorism, radicalisation, violent extremism, organized crime, and corruption in the host country or countries of the region, including on a regional level;
- To provide regular and timely reporting to the Head of Delegation, the Political and Operations sections and the Security Policy Directorate (CT Division) at EEAS Headquarters, and report to Headquarters on the above mentioned topics including monthly reports, early warnings, specific requests, info flashes, "think pieces", etc.;
- To ensure close coordination with Member States' security advisers, police liaison officers and counterterrorism officers, including by participating in and/or convening relevant coordination meetings;
- To provide timely support to the Heads of Cooperation in the Delegations and the relevant Commission services (including FPI, DEVCO, HOME, NEAR) in the identification, formulation and implementation of EU counterterrorism and P/CVE activities in the country and the region;
- When requested, to serve as liaison officer for relevant Commission services, notably DG HOME, DG NEAR, FPI, and EU Agencies (e.g. EUROPOL, EUROJUST, FRONTEX, CEPOL)
- To develop and maintain a network with relevant actors in the region, such as national administrations and security sector leadership, Member States' embassies and cooperation agencies, other bilateral partners (US, Canada, Australia, Japan, Gulf states, etc.), UN agencies, private security providers, NGOs and local civil society.

- To undertake any other duties that may be required by the Security Policy Directorate (CT Division) in security and/or counterterrorism policy related matters, such as representing the EU in relevant security and/or counterterrorism related working groups in the country, contribution to briefings and the preparation of impending visits as well as providing general analytical input;
- Presentation, information and communication: Where mandated to do so by and under the EU Delegation's supervision, contribute to explain, specify, defend EU policies to domestic audiences, particularly politicians, press, business and academics; contribute to the Press and Information activities in all relevant areas;

Job Requirements

Education and Training: University diploma in law, political or social science, economy, business administration or other related issue

Knowledge and Experience:

Profile: Senior Officer from Member States Ministry of Interior/Police or, Justice;

Essential: Extensive knowledge of the above mentioned policy areas are required, including conflict sensitive analytical capacities, security/CT policies in Member States. Good working knowledge of the EU (institutional) environment and instruments in the area of external and cooperation policy. Proven reporting and analysis capacity.

Desired: Field experience in conflict and/or post-conflict countries
Experience in SSR / DDR processes and working / living in conflict prone areas

Skills

Linguistic skills: Thorough knowledge (capacity to write and speak) in English or French (depending on the country of posting) is required. Knowledge of the local language(s) would be a strong asset.

Russian fluency is required for the position in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan.

Communication skills: Capacity to work and communicate under time constraints in an international diplomatic and multilingual environment. Intercultural sensitivity skills are required.

Interpersonal skills: Teamwork, coordination and communication skills

Intellectual skills: Solid analytical capability as well as drafting and reporting skills. Rapid grasp of problems and capacity to identify issues and solutions

Personal Qualities

Dynamic. Motivated and flexible personality. To adapt quickly to new situations and deal with new challenges, including missions in conflict areas