



## VACANCY NOTICE

### SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT TO THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION

<b>Post identification:</b> (DG-DIR-UNIT)	<b>ECFIN-C-1</b>
<b>Head of Unit:</b> <b>Email address:</b> <b>Telephone:</b> <b>Number of available posts:</b> <b>Suggested taking up duty:</b> <b>Suggested initial duration:</b> <b>Place of secondment:</b>	<b>Gilles Mourre</b> <a href="mailto:Gilles.MOURRE@ec.europa.eu">Gilles.MOURRE@ec.europa.eu</a> +32 229-63225 1 1 <sup>st</sup> quarter 2021 <sup>1</sup> 2 years <sup>1</sup> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brussels <input type="checkbox"/> Luxemburg <input type="checkbox"/> Other: .....
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> With allowances <input type="checkbox"/> Cost-free
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#### 1. Nature of the tasks

The mission of the unit is to contribute to achieving and maintaining sound and sustainable public finances in the euro area and the EU as well as to contribute to the policy decision making process at the European level in the field of the Economic and Monetary Union (EMU). To achieve these objectives, the unit aims at improving the EU fiscal framework and at reinforcing the co-ordination of budgetary policies of Member States. The unit monitors the implementation of the budgetary surveillance framework, in particular the Stability and Growth Pact. In this context, it develops other analytical and policy tools to address the overall quality of fiscal policy. This implies work on budgetary developments and policy strategies, as well as methodological and analytical work on specific public finance key issues. The unit coordinates the production of the Public Finance in EMU report, which includes analyses of the budgetary developments, the implementation of the EU fiscal framework as well as thematic studies on public finance issues particularly relevant in the policy debate and the conduct of fiscal surveillance. The unit is working on the establishment of the European instrument for temporary support to mitigate unemployment risks in an emergency (SURE) and will monitor its implementation. As part of its work, the unit maintains close contact with Member States authorities, the ECB and international organisations, in particular the IMF and the OECD.

We are looking for a dynamic, highly motivated and analytically strong economist, possibly with some experience of the EU surveillance framework. The economist will provide economic analyses and policy advice on the domain of competence of the unit. The unit contributes primarily to the following areas:

- Assessing fiscal policy of the euro area as a whole and its implications for the policy mix at the aggregate and national level.
- Examining factors affecting the quality of fiscal policy, in particular the determinants of successful fiscal adjustment.

<sup>1</sup> These mentions are given on an indicative basis only (Art.4 of the SNE Decision).

- Preparing the fiscal policy guidance for the ECOFIN Council, Eurogroup and OECD, IMF, G20 meetings. In exercising its tasks, the unit works closely with other units in the Directorate and throughout the DG.
- Developing and helping to apply the necessary empirical and theoretical aspects of analytical tools that can be used in the context of the implementation and the development of the Stability and Growth Pact, ensuring a sound analytical basis.
- Contributing to the development of consistent cross-country fiscal-related recommendations in the context of the Stability and Growth Pact, the Broad Economic Policy Guidelines and the Macroeconomic Imbalances Procedure.
- Participating in the information activity of the DG through extensive contacts and participation in events with other EU institutions, the ECB, Member States, international organization and relevant stakeholders.

The position requires close collaboration with other members of the unit and with colleagues in the DG. Therefore, strong interpersonal skills and a cooperative approach to dealing with colleagues are essential. The successful candidate should have good organization skills and be able to deal efficiently with multiple requests and tight deadlines.

## 2. **Main qualifications**

### a) **Eligibility criteria**

The following eligibility criteria must be fulfilled by the candidate in order to be seconded to the Commission. Consequently, the candidate who does not fulfil all of these criteria will be automatically eliminated from the selection process.

- **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**: candidates must have at least one year seniority with their employer, that means having worked for an eligible employer as described in Art. 1 of the SNE decision on a permanent or contract basis for at least one year before the secondment;
- **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. SNE from a third country must produce evidence of a thorough knowledge of one EU language necessary for the performance of his duties.

### b) **Selection criteria**

#### Diploma

- university degree or
- professional training or professional experience of an equivalent level

in the field(s) : economics.

#### Professional experience

Excellent economic quantitative background and professional experience in the area of economic analysis or economic policymaking. While an ability to learn fast is essential, a background in fiscal policy and/or solid econometric knowledge, as proven by publications or a PhD in economics, with a quantitative specialization, would be a strong asset.

#### Language(s) necessary for the performance of duties

The successful candidate should have excellent written and oral communication skills in English with an ability to communicate efficiently on complex economic and policy issues in non-technical terms.

### **3. Submission of applications and selection procedure**

Candidates should send their application according to the **Europass CV format** (<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. **Not respecting this procedure or deadlines will automatically invalidate the application.**

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. Candidates will be informed of the follow-up of their application by the unit concerned.

### **4. Conditions of the secondment**

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).

The SNE will remain employed and remunerated by his/her employer during the secondment. He/she will equally remain covered by the national social security system.

Unless for cost-free SNE, allowances may be granted by the Commission to SNE fulfilling the conditions provided for in Art. 17 of the SNE decision.

During the secondment, SNE are subject to confidentiality, loyalty and absence of conflict of interest obligations, as provided for in Art. 6 and 7 of the SNE Decision.

If any document is inexact, incomplete or missing, the application may be cancelled.

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, OJ L 72, 17.03.2015, p. 53).

The selected candidate has the obligation to launch the vetting procedure before getting the secondment confirmation.

### **5. Processing of personal data**

The selection, secondment and termination of the secondment of a national expert requires the Commission (the competent services of DG HR, DG BUDG, PMO and the DG concerned) to process personal data concerning the person to be seconded, under the responsibility of the Head of Unit of DG HR.DDG.B4. The data processing is subject to the SNE Decision as well as the Regulation (EU) 2018/1725.

Data is kept by the competent services for 10 years after the secondment (2 years for not selected or not seconded experts).

You have specific rights as a 'data subject' under Chapter III (Articles 14-25) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725, in particular the right to access, rectify or erase your personal data and the right to restrict the processing of your personal data. Where applicable, you also have the right to object to the processing or the right to data portability.

You can exercise your rights by contacting the Data Controller, or in case of conflict the Data Protection Officer. If necessary, you can also address the European Data Protection Supervisor. Their contact information is given below.

#### **Contact information**

##### **- The Data Controller**

If you would like to exercise your rights under Regulation (EU) 2018/1725, or if you have comments, questions or concerns, or if you would like to submit a complaint regarding the collection and use of your personal data, please feel free to contact the Data Controller, HR.DDG.B.4, [HR-MAIL-B4@ec.europa.eu](mailto:HR-MAIL-B4@ec.europa.eu).

- **The Data Protection Officer (DPO) of the Commission**

You may contact the Data Protection Officer ([DATA-PROTECTION-OFFICER@ec.europa.eu](mailto:DATA-PROTECTION-OFFICER@ec.europa.eu)) with regard to issues related to the processing of your personal data under Regulation (EU) 2018/1725.

- **The European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS)**

You have the right to have recourse (i.e. you can lodge a complaint) to the European Data Protection Supervisor ([edps@edps.europa.eu](mailto:edps@edps.europa.eu)) if you consider that your rights under Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 have been infringed as a result of the processing of your personal data by the Data Controller.

To the attention of candidates from third countries: your personal data can be used for necessary checks.