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His /Her Excellency the Ambassador Permanent Representative of the Member States to the European Union

(by e-mail)

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Secondment of a cost-free national expert to the General Secretariat of the Council in the field of Transport – Aeronautical engineering

Ref.: SNE/01/2023 (TREE.2) - 1 post (417067)

Dear Sir or Madam,

The Directorate-General for Environment/Transport-Telecom-Energy/Education-Youth-Culture-Sport (DG TREE) of the General Secretariat of the Council (GSC) is looking to recruit a cost-free seconded national expert to work on policy development and implementation of the EU's Transport policies - Aviation. This expert should be an aeronautical engineer with a sound experience in the field of aviation in a national administration and in an EU presidency.

Directorate 2 of the Directorate-General TREE is responsible for the preparation of the TTE (Transport, Telecom and Energy) Council. The Transport unit's work is to support the Council's legislative and non-legislative work in the areas of transport (land, maritime, aviation and intermodal). The unit is expecting a significant increase of its workload as the European Commission intends to adopt more than new 10 legislative proposals in 2023, including on Air Services and on Air Traffic Slots. The unit is already dealing with the proposals on ReFuel Aviation and on the Single European Sky II, and with numerous international agreements on Aviation as well as multilateral international negotiations.

The duration of the secondment is 2 years, with the possibility of extension to a maximum of four years in total. Please note that according to Article 5 of Council Decision 2015/1027/EC, this secondment could be extended for an additional period of up to two years in exceptional cases.

The qualifications and experience required are set out in the Annex.

The conditions of the secondment are set out in the Council Decision of 23 June 2015 on the rules applicable to

national experts on secondment to the General Secretariat of the Council (2015/1027/EC, OJ L 163, 30.06.2015,

repealing Decision 2007/829/EC). According to Article 2 of this Decision, seconded national experts should be

nationals of an EU Member State. Member States are hereby invited to propose candidates qualified for this

post. According to Article 6, the expert's employer shall continue to pay the expert's salary and all social rights,

in particular those concerning social security, insurance and pension.

Furthermore, according to Article 1 of this Decision, Articles 18, 19, and 20 are not applicable to any experts on

Cost Free Secondment. In practice, Cost Free Seconded Experts are not entitled to any allowances and travel

expenses reimbursements by the General Secretariat of the Council.

Proposals should indicate the national contact point(s) responsible for each candidate's submission.

Submissions should be accompanied by a curriculum vitae detailing all posts held to date as well as

education, and by a letter stating the motivation for the application. Only applications in English or French will

be accepted.

Replies to this letter should be sent by e-mail, no later than 15 February 2023, 12:00 pm Brussels' time, to

the following address: sne.recruitment@consilium.europa.eu.

The relevant department together with the Human Resources Directorate, will examine the applications

received, decide which candidates to shortlist, and conduct the interviews. The Appointing Authority will

decide on the appointment based on the outcome of the selection procedure.

Sincerely yours,

Nathalie Pensaert

Annexes

Annex 1 - Job description

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Cost Free Seconded National Expert (SNE) at the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union

TREE, Directorate 2 – Transport

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Job description

A. Main tasks and responsibilities

Under the authority of the Director of TREE.2, contributing to the work of the General Secretariat of the Council (GSC) on the Transport-Telecom-Energy Council (TTE), the selected candidate is expected to perform the following tasks:

- Provide advice, as appropriate, to the President of the European Council and/or members
 of the Council, the Presidencies and the Secretary-General
- Maintain relations with the relevant services in the European Parliament, Commission and GSC with regard to the ordinary legislative procedure.
- Provide the Council and the Presidency with the expertise and assistance necessary for the efficient handling of files subject to the ordinary legislative procedure
- Provide advice on matters related to the regulation of air traffic in Europe, including on the file Single European Sky II +:
- Draft substantive papers with policy options in matters related to future alternative fuels for aircrafts and corresponding infrastructure.
- Contribute to EU debates and reflections on the future of aviation, including on new models of aircraft.

B. Qualifications and experience

Applicants should:

- have completed a university education, as evidenced by a diploma, in the area of Aeronautical engineering or have equivalent professional experience;
- have at least seven years of work experience in fields relevant to the tasks in point A above. That experience should have been gained in governmental or international organisations in the field of aviation;
- have sectoral expertise in the economic regulation of airports and in the management of crisis in the area of aviation
- have a clear understanding of the EU institutional set-up;
- a thorough knowledge of one EU language and a satisfactory knowledge of a second language is required for the performance of these duties. In practice, in the interests of the service, as drafting, editing and communication skills are especially needed, a thorough written and oral command of English is required, as well as a good knowledge of French.

C. Conditions and skills required

Applicants should demonstrate:

- an ability to take an analytical and critical approach to complex issues and problems;
- adaptability and autonomy;
- a sense of initiative and strong organisational skills;
- discretion;
- an ability to work under time pressure and in difficult circumstances;
- sound drafting and editing skills with the ability to conduct or assist in conducting complex briefings;
- good interpersonal skills and an ability to work with staff at all levels of the organisation;
- an ability to work effectively as a team member in a multinational environment;

D. General conditions

Applicants must:

- be nationals of one of the Member States of the European Union and enjoy full rights as a citizen;
- have fulfilled any obligations imposed by the laws concerning military service.

The General Secretariat of the Council applies a diversity and inclusion policy.

Further information about the selection procedure can be obtained from

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