

**VACANCY NOTICE**

**SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT TO THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION**

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| **Post identification:**  (DG-DIR-UNIT) | **HERA.02** |
| **Head of Unit:**  **Email address: Telephone:**  **Number of available posts: Suggested taking up duty: Suggested initial duration: Place of secondment:** | Wolfgang PHILIPP [Wolfgang.Philipp@ec.europa.eu](mailto:Wolfgang.Philipp@ec.europa.eu)  +32-2-2968608  2  **2nd half 2023 1**  **2 year(s)** 1  X **Brussels**  **Luxemburg**  **Other: ……………..** |
| **X With allowances**  **Cost-free** |
| **This vacancy notice is also open to**   * **the following EFTA countries :**   + **Iceland,**  **Liechtenstein,**  **Norway,**  **Switzerland**   + **EFTA-EEA In-Kind agreement (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway)** * **the following third countries:** * **the following intergovernmental organisation** | |

1. **Nature of the tasks**

The Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Authority (HERA) was set up to strengthen Europe’s ability to prevent, detect, and rapidly respond to serious cross-border health emergencies by ensuring the development, manufacturing, procurement, and distribution of crisis relevant medical countermeasures (MCM) such as masks, diagnostic tests or medicinal products.

To do so, HERA is responsible for the assessment of health threats and intelligence gathering of crisis relevant MCM. This function is intended to pick up pertinent signals on possible health threats requiring MCM response, provide an early/anticipatory assessment of the health threat identified and track MCM supply chains, addressing MCM shortages, vulnerabilities and strategic dependencies. The unit ’Intelligence Gathering, Analysis and Innovation’ is in charge of this function which will facilitated by an IT system called ATHINA (Advanced Technology for Health INtelligence and Action IT system).

Due to its complexity, ATHINA will be developed gradually. ATHINA will consist in five different modules allowing to collect information on health threats and MCM, to assess and prioritise the threats, to map and simulate potential scenarios and to allow for an adequate response in case of emergency. ATHINA will also have a “backbone” with several horizontal features such as administration, collaboration, searching and visualisation and reporting. HERA has launched a call for tender for the development of the backbone and two modules as well as for further analysis on the remaining modules that are not ready yet for the development phase. The contracts will be awarded by the end of 2023.

The unit ‘Intelligence Gathering, Analysis and Innovation’ is looking for two IT experts that will work with the selected tenderer on the implementation of the contract, including monitoring of the project and

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

review and evaluation of deliverables to ensure adequacy of the work carried out and timely development and analysis of ATHINA to comply with the necessary business requirements. In addition, the IT experts will be involved in the preparation of future procurement activities for the development of the outstanding modules.

The national experts will provide assistance with the hardware and software deployment and configuration of the system . Ideally, they would provide expert advice and assistance in specific technologies such as Big data analysis and application of artificial intelligence methods.

1. **Main qualifications**

# 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.

# Selection criteria

Diploma

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

in the field(s) :

Communication Information System Engineer and/or Information System and/or Information Technology.

Professional experience

Interconnection of Information System, design, development and testing of Information Systems.

Language(s) necessary for the performance of duties

A good capacity to communicate orally and in writing in a comprehensible and structured way in English is essential.

1. **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.

1. **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). This decision is available on [http://ec.europa.eu/civil\_service/job/sne/index\_en.htm.](http://ec.europa.eu/civil_service/job/sne/index_en.htm)

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.

1. **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-](mailto:HR-MAIL-B4@ec.europa.eu) [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.