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VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

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| DG – Directorate – Unit | DG JUST DIRECTORATE A UNIT A1 |
| Post number in sysper: | 416837 |
| Contact person:  Provisional starting date:  Initial duration:  Place of secondment: | Dirk STAUDENMAYER  1 March quarter 2024  2 years  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 JUST A1 contributes to the Von der Leyen Commission’s digital transition priority. The Unit ensures the overall coordination of all DG JUST initiatives and other work with a digital dimension. The Unit will develop the DG JUST strategy for work under the next College related to the digital transition. The Unit handles also its own legislative and policy files in the field of private law and justice.

We are developing policy in the area of civil law framing the transition to the digital economy. This concerns for example civil law liability in the area of artificial intelligence (AI), where we are negotiating in Council and EP the legislative proposal for a Directive on AI liability. We are also in charge of the private law follow-up to the Data Act Regulation and working with an Expert Group to deliver recommendations for model contractual terms for data sharing and standard contractual clauses for cloud computing. We are also working on private law aspects of emerging technologies shaping the digital economy, like autonomous contracting between AI systems, data in contracts, smart contracts in the block-chain and cloud-computing contracts with a view of developing future policy.

The Unit is also in charge of legislative proposals and other policy projects concerning the digitalisation of justice and e-justice, including the preparation of implementing acts following the adoption of the recently adopted legislation on the digitalisation of justice. The Unit is also in charge of implementing the e-Justice Strategy and is managing the e-justice Portal.

The Unit also coordinates all DG JUST policy initiatives on the digital transition.

Finally, the Unit is also in charge of implementing the European judicial training strategy, including policy development, reporting, relations with external judicial and legal stakeholders as well as providing financial support and management of the respective projects financed.

We are an enthusiastic and highly motivated team. We have an open, communicative and collegial work atmosphere. We aim to understand and address the evolving needs of stakeholders of the digital economy and keep up with technological development.

**Job Presentation (We propose)**

An assignment in our team would allow the candidate to engage in the development of initiatives on EU law in the transition to the digital economy and society. The candidate could be involved in the coordination and further development of digital files and get an overview of important policies across DG JUST and the Commission.

Depending on the candidate’s experience, expertise and development interest, he/she could work on policy papers, external studies or stakeholder consultations, economic analysis for Commission impact assessments or the drafting of legislative proposals. As our Unit covers different projects at various stages of the policy cycle, the candidate could be involved in coordination work, economic analysis on digital policy, build up a new policy project, do preparatory work for a new initiative, build up policy momentum with stakeholders, draft legislation, work with experts and Member States’ authorities or contribute to the negotiation in the Council and European Parliament.

The candidate will participate in the design of policy projects and contribute to the decision making process. Therefore, he/she will have regular contacts with stakeholders, representatives of Member States and of the European Parliament, while ensuring close coordination with colleagues in the DG and other Commission services.

**Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

We are looking for a new colleague who is a team player and has a keen interest to work on digital issues. The candidate should have the ability to recognise trends of new technologies and businesses practices in the digital economy, to assess their implications in terms of policy and legal challenges and to develop new initiatives meeting the challenges.

An economic or legal background or experience would be an asset for the candidate as we would like you to understand the business, market and overall economic consequences of policy and/or to be able to delve into economic or legal analysis/development of emerging technologies. Experience in digital and technological policy, work with statistics/data collection and analysis of economic impacts of digital market developments or policy measures, including in preparing an impact assessment, would also be a plus but willingness to develop your skills and assume responsibility in these areas is also something we will consider.

The candidate should have strong analytical and drafting skills and a result-oriented approach to work. We are also looking for someone with good communication skills and the capacity to present to stakeholders Commission policy in a clear and convincing manner.

The candidate should be fully fluent in English (oral and writing); good working knowledge of French would be an asset.

**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)