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VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

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| DG – Directorate – Unit | GROW.I.3 |
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| Contact person:  Provisional starting date:  Initial duration:  Place of secondment: | Stefano Soro  2nd… 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 | Latest application date: 26-02-2024 |

**Entity Presentation (We are)**

Are you looking for a real opportunity to make Europe more green, sustainable and circular, making a true difference in areas which have a real impact on the daily life of all Europeans? If you are, keep reading.

We are the "GREEN AND CIRCULAR ECONOMY" Unit of DG GROW. We work to support the successful transition of our industrial ecosystems towards a climate-neutral, more circular economy.

The unit’s mission is to develop and implement specific policy tools supporting the business case for a low-carbon and circular economy in the European Green Deal.

The value added of the unit is also its unique position to connect the dots horizontally and vertically within the Commission, ensuring relevant information flows and delivering results that impact environmental, climate and energy policy files where DG GROW is traditionally not in the lead.

To achieve these objectives, we contribute to relevant policy areas closely linked to industrial competitiveness, climate, energy and environment policies. We also propose, coordinate and implement legislative measures in the areas of Net-Zero industries, Sustainable Products, Ecodesign, Energy labelling and Circular Economy, batteries. We are involved in the management of several industrial alliances (clean hydrogen, solar PV, batteries, circular plastics and soon small modular reactors). In these areas, we aim to support the competitiveness of the European industrial ecosystems, improve the energy and environmental performance of products and industrial processes, promote more sustainable and resource efficient business models, create market opportunities for new or secondary raw materials or equipment. In the areas of our competences, we also support activities and projects promoting investment, innovation, skills, SME as well as bilateral and multilateral international exchanges.

**Job Presentation (We propose)**

As the ideal candidate, you should combine a keen interest in the areas of work of the Unit with an appetite and knack for working with people.

You should have the ability of working across different policy areas and of joining the dots linking different policies and initiatives .

You will be called to contribute to the work of one or more of the Unit’s teams, depending on your profile and experience, working at the crossroads of industrial, environmental, climate and energy policies.

**Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

Diploma

- university degree or

- professional training or professional experience of an equivalent level

in the field(s) :Economics, engineering, environment, science, law

Professional experience

As the ideal candidate, you should have a scientific, technical or economic background (economist, engineer, environmental scientist or other related scientific background, lawyer) and a good knowledge of EU and international policies in the domains of industrial competitiveness, climate and energy. You should also have practical professional experience in these or closely related domains. You should have an aptitude to manage information and data related to the economic and competitiveness aspects of those policies and to reconnect technical files with the broader political picture. An aptitude to work constructively with colleagues both within and outside the DG is essential. Very good knowledge of English is necessary as well as proven communication skills. Knowledge of other EU languages (French in particular) would be an advantage.

**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)