



VACANCY NOTICE

SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT TO THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Post identification: (DG-DIR-UNIT)	RTD-B-2
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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> With allowances <input type="checkbox"/> Cost-free
This vacancy notice is also open to <input type="checkbox"/> the following EFTA countries : <input type="checkbox"/> Iceland <input type="checkbox"/> Liechtenstein <input type="checkbox"/> Norway <input type="checkbox"/> Switzerland <input type="checkbox"/> EFTA-EEA In-Kind agreement (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway) <input type="checkbox"/> the following third countries: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the following intergovernmental organisations: FAO	

1. Nature of the tasks

Directorate-General for Research and Innovation's mission is to develop and implement the European research and innovation policy with a view to achieving European policy priorities, and in particular, the European Green Deal. The DG supports research and innovation through European Framework Programmes, coordinates and supports national and regional research and innovation programmes, contributes to the creation of the European Research Area and supports European organisations and researchers in their cooperation at international level.

Unit RTD B.2, "Bioeconomy and Food systems", supports the transition to the Healthy Planet, which is climate neutral by 2050, and operates within safe planetary boundaries. The unit supports this objective by accelerating the deployment of a circular and sustainable Bioeconomy across Europe and by future-proofing our food systems by engaging communities and delivering climate-neutral, circular, sustainable and innovative solutions that provide nutritious and healthy food and diets for all.

The tasks of the national expert will include support on the following dossiers:

- Follow up Bioeconomy policy developments at national, regional or local level in Member States, including cooperation at international level;
- Providing support to the Bioeconomy team in DG R&I in planning and organising bioeconomy events;
- Draft comprehensive analysis reports, briefings and/or updates to existing ones on the implementation of the Bioeconomy Strategy;
- Draft Horizon Europe topics on Bioeconomy governance.
- Implementation of the EU's Bioeconomy Strategy (support to BIOEAST Member States; work on finance issues related to the implementation of the Bioeconomy strategy; up-scaling skills related to the bioeconomy, etc.);

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

- Coordinate the cooperation with Joint Research Centre of the Commission on bioeconomy related policies (Monitoring Systems, Modelling, Knowledge synthesis, etc.);
- Support the implementation of the European Bioeconomy Policy Forum and manage the High-level and Expert-level meetings of this group.

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) : environmental, social or political sciences, biotechnology, life cycle assessment, primary production (agriculture, fishery, forestry), or other fields relevant for the bioeconomy.

Professional experience

Practical experience in national administrations working on bioeconomy policies

Knowledge of the EU's Bioeconomy strategy and other related policies (e.g. CAP, environment, climate) would be an advantage.

Language(s) necessary for the performance of duties

Good written and oral skills in English.

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.B.1. 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 7 years after the secondment (2 years for not selected 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, Unit HR.B.1, HR-B1-DPR@ec.europa.eu.

- The Data Protection Officer (DPO) of the Commission

You may contact the Data Protection Officer (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) 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 security checks.