



VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

DG – Directorate – Unit	DG RTD, Directorate Prosperity, Industrial Transformation unit (E3)
Post number in sysper:	368012
Contact person:	Maria Cristina Russo ext.55975
Provisional starting date:	3rd quarter 2025
Initial duration:	2 years
Place of secondment:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brussels <input type="checkbox"/> Luxemburg <input type="checkbox"/> Other: Click or tap here to enter text.
Type of secondment	<input checked="" type="radio"/> With allowances <input type="radio"/> Cost-free
This vacancy notice is open to: <input checked="" type="radio"/> EU Member States as well as <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"/> The following third countries: <input type="checkbox"/> The following intergovernmental organisations: ... <input type="radio"/> EFTA-EEA In-Kind agreement (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway)	
Deadline for applications	<input type="radio"/> 2 months <input checked="" type="radio"/> 1 month Latest application date: 25-09-2025

Entity Presentation (We are)

The Industrial Transformation Unit (E3) is part of the ‘Prosperity’ Directorate. The Directorate aims to create prosperity and jobs across Europe within the means of our planet. That requires policy action for value creation from research and innovation and the

acceleration of the green and digital transformation of industry, strengthening its resilience and its base in Europe.

The unit itself works towards a sustainable, fair and prosperous transformation of industries within this decade. The emphasis is on competitiveness, decarbonisation, circularity and sustainability.

We design and implement R&I policies and programmes and set related agendas to leverage private investment along the value chain and accelerate the development of safe and sustainable chemicals, advanced materials, and innovative industrial production including for coal and steel. To this end, we mainly collaborate with Member States, associated countries, industries, research and technologies institutes and civil society organisations. The unit is also in charge of preparing relevant legislation, when it is necessary.

Our priorities are in particular:

- Preparing an Advanced Materials Act, including the impact assessment, within the framework of the implementation of the Commission Communication on Advanced Materials for Industry Leadership from February 2024, and in line with the Political guidelines set by the President for this Commission.
- Steering the technical programming of the Research Fund for Coal and Steel (RFCS) and preparing future reforms of the legislative framework on RFCS.

Job Presentation (We propose)

A dynamic and challenging position as a seconded expert contributing to the legal aspects of the work of the unit, in particular the preparation of the Advanced Materials Act and the reform of the Research Fund for Coal and Steel, within a unit offering high expertise and excellent team spirit.

The jobholder will contribute to different horizontal legal questions related to the work of the unit and to all the phases related to the preparation, adoption and interinstitutional negotiations of the proposals for the reform of the RFCS and the Advanced Materials Act.

The jobholder will also contribute to background analysis on the needs for the RFCS reform and the Advanced Materials Act, including the upcoming impact assessment for such an Act.

The jobholder will also prepare policy documents, briefings, concept notes and make contributions to future work programmes (namely for the Cluster 'Digital, Industry and Space' under Horizon Europe).

Jobholder Profile (We look for)

An enthusiastic and resilient colleague with very good communication capacities. The successful candidate should have a high sense of commitment and service towards the Commission. Specifically, we are looking for a colleague with:

- excellent legal background, knowledge in EU research and industrial policies, materials science and the steel and coal sector would be an asset;
- strong interpersonal skills to work within teams in the unit, directorate and in the Directorate-General as well as with other services of the Commission;
- good drafting and communication skills and capacity to adhere to – sometimes – tight deadlines; and
- strong analytical capacities, problem solving, and monitoring skills.

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](#)). 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](#)). 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⁾. 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)