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VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

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| DG – Directorate – Unit | CNECT.F3 |
| Post number in sysper: | 447106 |
| Contact person:  Provisional starting date:  Initial duration:  Place of secondment: | Filomena Chirico  Filomena.chirico@ec.europa.eu  +32.29.95265  3rd 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: 25-07-2024 |

**Entity Presentation (We are)**

DG CONNECT supports the digital transformation of our economy and society and conceives and implements the policies required to foster the internal market, make Europe fit for the Digital age and technological autonomy. The DG's policy on middle managers respects diversity, supports career development and encourages mobility.

Directorate F is the directorate responsible for platform policy and supervision under the Digital Services and Digital Markets Acts. Its primary mission is to ensure the effective application and enforcement of the Digital Services Act (DSA), and the Digital Markets Act (DMA). Directorate F is also responsible for the monitoring of the wider platform ecosystem, including emerging trends and in the lead on policy developments (including international cooperation) linked to online platforms.

Unit F3 is entrusted, in close cooperation with DG COMP, with the concrete implementation of the DMA, entailing new globally significant regulatory powers to supervise the largest online platforms having the status of Gatekeepers. The supervision of gatekeepers’ compliance with a number of very specific obligations aims to preserve contestability and fairness in the European Internal Market. The task requires frequent contacts with the supervised companies, technical and legal discussions, possible investigations into non-compliance, close coordination with other competent authorities in other member states and globally.

**Job Presentation (We propose)**

We propose an exciting and challenging opportunity for a talented and motivated colleague who will join the Unit in charge of the enforcement of the Digital Markets Act as case handler for enforcement of the DMA. We are looking for a national expert with experience in regulated industries (telecoms, transport, financial sector, energy, etc.), data analysis, data protection, or competition law to join the team.

The seconded national expert will mainly be involved in the enforcement and application of the Digital Markets Act, the new regulatory framework for digital gatekeepers. This includes working in close cooperation with DG competition to supervise the compliance with obligations such as interoperability, data silos, access to data, profiling audits, sideloading, data portability and others. The post may require conducting market investigations and instructing non-compliance cases.

S/he will be part of a dedicated, multidisciplinary team of policy analysts, lawyers, economists and engineers and will be called to take direct responsibility within case-teams on formal investigations under the DMA. S/he will have the opportunity to liaise with and build cooperation with a broad range of public and private stakeholders as well as with colleagues in other Commission’s departments and other institutions.

All in all, the post represents a unique opportunity to be part of a new regulatory challenge, where the Commission acts as the world’s first regulator with direct oversight over digital gatekeepers.

**Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

We look for an experienced, highly motivated, pro-active colleague able to contribute to the success of the Unit’s mission. The ideal candidate has a university or professional background in the field(s) of law enforcement, economic analysis, data protection, software engineering, or other relevant fields to the post.

Relevant professional experience include

* Experience in digital regulation and/or digital policy
* Good understanding of key aspects of the Digital Markets Act
* Knowledge and interest of the regulated areas
* Relevant experience in one of the areas of relevance for the enforcement of the DMA: data protection, regulated sectors, payment systems, data and economic analysis for law enforcement, market intelligence

Technical expertise in the areas relevant for the Digital Markets Act, in particular security of equipment, software development is an asset

In addition, we look for a mix of different skills:

* A very good understanding of, and the ability to further develop an expert knowledge of the business and technical aspects of digital services in general and online platforms in particular;
* Excellent oral and written communication skills in order to be able to interact and cooperate efficiently and communicate convincingly with a variety of actors (other units and DGs, institutional actors, Member States representatives or various stakeholders communities) for various types of requests, including briefing requests;
* Very good negotiating skills and ability to represent the Commission internally and externally;
* Ability to cooperate and develop smooth coordination with other Units in the DG as well as other DGs;
* Very good analytical skills;
* The willingness and ability to learn quickly, both in terms of depth and width of the issues at stake

**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)