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VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

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| DG – Directorate – Unit | REGIO-DGA2-F-4 |
| Post number in sysper: | 257991 |
| Contact person:  Provisional starting date:  Initial duration:  Place of secondment: | Pascal Boijmans, Head of Unit  January 2026  …1 year  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: 27-10-2025 |

**Entity Presentation (We are)**

Unit REGIO F4 is the geographical unit of DG REGIO responsible for the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF), Just Transition Fund (JTF) and Cohesion Fund programmes in the Czech Republic and Slovakia.

We are a team of 23 motivated colleagues to assist the national authorities in Slovakia and in the Czech Republic to gain the maximum benefit from the above mentioned EU funds made available from the European Union, monitor their proper implementation and ensure their synergies and complementarities with other EU funds, provide related public policies’ guidance within the European Semester and monitor related country specific recommendations. The Funds are implemented under shared management in close partnership with the national and regional authorities and in cooperation with the other services of the Commission.

**Job Presentation (We propose)**

Unit REGIO F4 is looking for a national expert to assist in the implementation of Czech and Slovak programmes supported by European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF) including policy development and monitoring of programme implementation for the 2021-2027 period.

This work will consist of:

* ensuring the correct and consistent application of ESIF regulations, including co-ordination with other units within the DG and the other ESIF DGs;
* monitoring the Cohesion Policy impact in the Czech Republic and/or Slovakia;
* monitoring and co-ordinating programme implementation issues;
* assisting with the closure of the previous programming and preparation for the new one.

The national expert may be called upon to assist with other tasks of the Unit as appropriate, including briefing co-ordination, co-ordination of interruption and suspension procedures, and financial process matters.

**Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

* diploma: a university degree in economics, social sciences, law or other relevant subjects.
* professional experience: at least 3 years' experience of EU cohesion policy, either with programme implementation, or at policy level.
* language(s) necessary for the performance of duties: knowledge of either Czech or Slovak. Very good knowledge of English. Knowledge of other languages (notably 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)