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VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

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| DG – Directorate – Unit | **DG : Climate Action – DIR B : Carbon Markets & Clean Mobility – Unit B4 : Mobility (II): Air, Rail, Water and Intermodal Policy** |
| Post number in sysper: | 143672 |
| Contact person:  Provisional starting date:  Initial duration:  Place of secondment: | Polona Gregorin  By 2nd quarter 2025  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: 25-03-2025 |

**Entity Presentation (We are)**

The Directorate-General for Climate Action (DG CLIMA) leads the European Commission's efforts to fight climate change, the defining challenge of our times. Our mission, based on the European Green Deal and the European Climate Law, is to formulate and implement policies and strategies that will enable the EU to meet its climate targets and achieve its planned transition to a climate neutral economy.

Directorate B *Carbon Markets & Clean Mobility* is responsible for ensuring the proper functioning, integrity and implementation of the EU Emission Trading System (EU ETS) and its future developments, as well as for promoting clean mobility, including policies for the decarbonisation of all modes of transport.

The unit B.4 *Mobility (II): Air, Rail, Water and Intermodal Policy* coordinates the work on the decarbonisation of all modes of transport, develops policies for low‑carbon modal shift and works to ensure a high level of ambition of climate impacts reduction from sectors like international shipping and aviation. The unit is responsible for aviation and shipping emissions in the EU ETS, monitors climate impacts of these sectors and follows more generally low carbon mobility aspects at international level, including in the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) and International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO).

The unit also supports the mainstreaming of climate objectives into all other transport policies, encouraging appropriate pricing, and infrastructure investments contributing to the decarbonization of the transport sector. The unit contributes to ensuring the synergies among the policy developments, research initiatives and partnerships on mobility systems, on shipping and aviation, as well as on rail. The unit has support contracts with the European Maritime Safety Agency for maritime and Eurocontrol for aviation.

The unit is composed of 19 staff members of various nationalities and is organised in two main teams (maritime and aviation). We are a very friendly and open unit.

**Job Presentation (We propose)**

The seconded national expert posted in B.4 will be part of the team responsible for addressing climate impacts of the maritime sector. The focus of his/her work will be EU policy developments and implementation of the ETS Directive, which makes the EU the first jurisdiction in the world to put an explicit carbon price on emissions from the maritime sector.

The colleague may also follow the on-going climate change related negotiations in the International Maritime Organisation. He/she will be expected to contribute to other activities of the unit as required.

Since this is a policy area with numerous political sensitivities, the unit offers on-the-job training and support from colleagues to newcomers so that the jobholder can develop her/his knowledge over time.

**Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

A motivated candidate with an excellent knowledge of the maritime sector and climate policy. Familiarity with emissions trading would be a distinct advantage.

Demonstration of vision, enthusiasm, autonomy and commitment to work in a high profile and strategic EU policy area with international implications is required, as well as a experience with working with Member States. He/she should have outstanding drafting and communication skills and the ability to provide high-quality outputs, often within short deadlines.

Ability to work in a team and to establish a working network with many colleagues, within and outside the Directorate-General, as well as with a range of external stakeholders, is essential.

**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)