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VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

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| DG – Directorate – Unit | SANTE/DDG1/D4 –Veterinary medicines |
| Post number in sysper: | 497614 |
| Contact person:  Provisional starting date:  Initial duration:  Place of secondment: | Eva Zamora Escribano  1st quarter 2026  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: 25-11-2025 |

**Entity Presentation (We are)**

DG Health and Food Safety (DG SANTE)'s mission is to improve the health and safety of European citizens and contribute to the Commission’s Agenda for Jobs, Growth, Fairness and Democratic Change. DG SANTE is responsible for several important sectors including food and pharmaceuticals, which are heavily dependent on a well-functioning and fair internal market, conditioned by the paramount principle of safety.

Within Directorate D (Medical Products and Innovation), Unit D.4 is responsible for developing policy and legislation concerning veterinary medicinal products. This includes the setting of maximum residue levels to ensure consumer safety, the EU-wide authorisation of some veterinary medicines and the development of tertiary legislation for the implementation of the Veterinary Medicinal Products Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2019/6). The Unit leads the EU policy on the prudent use of antimicrobials in animals to fight antimicrobial resistance (AMR), which is crucial to address the global threat of AMR under a “One Health” approach.

The Unit works in an excellent team spirit, with highly committed staff and a friendly and respectful atmosphere.

**Job Presentation (We propose)**

We are offering an interesting position for a Seconded National Expert in the area of veterinary medicines. The colleague will contribute to the formulation of policies and the implementation of the EU pharmaceutical legislation and follow the development of other policies and legislation that may affect the pharmaceutical sector.

Notably, the colleague will contribute to the drafting and implementation of legislation in the area of veterinary medicinal products, develop policies on antimicrobial resistance, and other related areas, liaising with Member States and the European Medicines Agency (EMA).

The position implies frequent contacts with different departments of the Commission as well as with all stakeholders (EMA, European Food Safety Authority, national agencies, industry, Member States, NGOs, etc).

**Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

We look for a seconded national expert with legal/technical/scientific background who has at least three years of experience in the areas of evaluation, or authorisation of medicinal products, or environmental aspects, toxicology, research, or in the implementation of the EU legislation on pharmaceuticals. Expertise on biotechnology-related aspects would be an asset.

Good knowledge of English (orally and in writing) is required – knowledge of other Union languages 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)