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VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

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| DG – Directorate – Unit | DG COMPETITION  DIRECTORATE H - General Scrutiny and Enforcement  **UNIT H.6 – State Aid - Agriculture and Fisheries** |
| Post number in sysper: | 443469 |
| Contact person:  Provisional starting date:  Initial duration:  Place of secondment: | María MUÑOZ DE JUAN  3rd quarter 2024  2 years  Brussels  Luxemburg  Other: |
| 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 |  |

**Entity Presentation (We are)**

Unit H.6 ‘Agriculture and Fisheries’ belongs to Directorate H ‘State aid: General Scrutiny and Enforcement’ in DG Competition. The unit is in charge of the development and the application of the State aid rules for the agriculture, forestry and fishery sectors. The instruments concerned are specific Guidelines as well as block exemption and ‘de minimis’ Regulations for these sectors. The Unit also liaises closely with the Directorates General for Agriculture and Rural Development as well as Maritime Affairs and Fisheries in respect of the link between the State aid rules on the one hand and the Common Agricultural and Common Fisheries Policies on the other.

The unit works in close interaction with other units of Directorate H and is part of the wider ‘State aid Network’ within DG COMP.

We are a very nice and dynamic team consisting of 20-25 colleagues. Our team is committed to achieve high-quality output. At the same time, we give special attention to maintain a working environment that is pleasant and productive.

**Job Presentation (We propose)**

We offer an interesting, challenging and responsible job of a State aid case handler/policy officer assessing public support measures within the areas of competency of the unit. The job also includes close co-operation with other DGs on cases and projects.

The work is usually carried out in small teams. S/he will be responsible for the treatment of all stages of cases, from the initial assessment of case files, discussions with Member State authorities and/or complainants to the drafting and adoption of Commission Decisions.

S/he will be part of the Directorate and State aid Network and contribute to the development of State Aid policy and guidelines in the areas of relevance to the Unit.

We offer to join a dynamic team of professionals working in a stimulating, friendly and team-oriented environment. We encourage discussions and exchanges of opinions and experiences. Colleagues are given a high degree of autonomy in carrying out their tasks.

Colleagues joining DG COMP are offered a dedicated training to become familiar with the organization and the working procedures of the Directorate-General. In addition, an on-job coaching/mentoring is offered by an experienced colleague from the unit. DG COMP applies a policy of equal opportunities. It operates a flexitime system as well as teleworking possibilities.

**Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

The successful candidate should hold a university degree or professional training or professional experience of an equivalent level in the field(s) of economics and/or law and/or finance and should have good analytical, drafting and communication skills.

Professional experience related to the agriculture and/or fisheries sectors as well as in State aid control would be an asset.

English is the main working language, so very good communication and drafting skills in English are essential. Good working knowledge of other Union languages is an advantage

**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)