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VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

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| DG – Directorate – Unit | HOME-D-2 |
| Post number in sysper: | **393814** |
| Contact person:Provisional starting date:Initial duration:Place of secondment: | Martin SCHIEFFER4th quarter 20232 years[x]  Brussels [ ]  Luxemburg [ ]  Other: …. |
| Type of secondment |  |
| This vacancy notice is open to:as well as[x]  The following EFTA countries: [x]  Iceland [x]  Liechtenstein [x]  Norway [x]  Switzerland[ ]  The following third countries: …. [ ]  The following intergovernmental organisations: …   |
| Deadline for applications | Latest application date: Click or tap to enter a date. |

**Entity Presentation (We are)**

The Counter-Terrorism Unit in the European Commission’s Directorate-General for Migration and Home Affairs (HOME.D2) contributes to the development of the Security Union by formulating, monitoring, implementing and coordinating EU policies and legislation to prevent and combat terrorism, track and counter terrorism financing, protect citizens, enhance the resilience of critical infrastructure/critical entities and promote resilience against all forms of terrorism, including chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear threats. In addition, the unit is also responsible for the illicit trafficking of firearms (security and internal market aspects).

The unit coordinates the Commission’s overall approach to counter-terrorism, including in the relevant Council working parties, and is the Commission’s contact point for the European Counter Terrorism Centre (ECTC) in Europol, working also closely with the unit in charge of the prevention of radicalisation to ensure a fully joined-up approach. The unit pursues coordination with key international

**Job Presentation (We propose)**

Based on the Counter-Terrorism Agenda for the EU of 9 December 2020 and its 4 main work strands (anticipate, prevent, protect, and respond), the selected national expert will contribute to a range of policy files across the counter-terrorism spectre, with a focus on the resilience of critical infrastructures/critical entities. His or her tasks may include: (a) the preparation of briefings and policy documents; (b) the preparation of the Commission’s contribution to Council working groups; (c) the coordination of the input from various relevant Commission services; (d) the cooperation with the ECTC in Europol; and (e) the preparation and coordination of cooperation activities (workshops, conferences, etc) with Member State experts, partner third countries and international organisations.

**Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

The selected national expert should have a good understanding of the main trends in terrorism across the EU, the challenges that national counter-terrorism services face and the various aspects of European counter-terrorism cooperation. The selected national expert should have experience in the resilience of critical infrastructure/critical entities from a policy and/or practical point of view. Experience with risk assessments, exercises and guidance material related to critical infrastructure would be an asset. He/she should be able to build on his/her experience at national level to help formulate European policies that effectively support Member States, notably as regards the implementation of the Directive (EU) 2022/2557 on the resilience of critical entities. He/she should be a dynamic team player with good written and oral communication skills who enjoys working with a range of stakeholders in a rapidly developing policy field.

**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)