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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: | 258103 |
| Contact person:  Provisional starting date:  Initial duration:  Place of secondment: | Martin SCHIEFFER  1 quarter 2025  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 | Latest application date: 27-01-2025 |

**Entity Presentation (We are)**

The Counter-Terrorism Unit contributes to the EU's objective of providing a high level of security for European citizens and thus the creation of an area of freedom, security and justice. Based on the EU Security Union Strategy of July 2020 and the Counter Terrorism Agenda for the EU of December 2020, the unit develops policies and legislation to counter terrorism and is also responsible for countering the financing of terrorism.

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. The unit is also responsible for a number of Commission Expert Groups and Law Enforcement Networks, and pursues coordination with key international partners in the fight against terrorism.

**Job Presentation (We propose)**

The selected national expert will be part of a team focusing on all issues linked to the financing of terrorism. This includes notably support to the management of the EU-US Terrorist Financing Tracking Programme (TFTP), close cooperation with Member States' CT financial investigators, work on the nexus between terrorist financing and money-laundering and analysis of non-EU countries considered at high risk as regards terrorist financing. Other aspects of work will be the EU criminal law aspects of the fight against the financing of terrorism, and notably relevant parts of the Directive 2017/541 of 15 March 2017 on combating terrorism, the key EU legal instrument in the field of counter-terrorism for which the unit is responsible. The position will involve supporting actions to facilitate law enforcement access to financial information for the purposes of counter-terrorism investigations and other public authorities involved in investigations as well as private stakeholders (use of public-private partnerships). He/she may be asked to draft policy documents for use within and outside the Commission and prepare replies to Parliamentary Questions, drafting briefings, and provide legal analysis. The post involves frequent contacts and close cooperation with Member States' experts, other Commission services and Europol. Specific tasks may include the management of a Network of counter-terrorism financial investigators, work on international aspects of terrorist financing and cooperation with third countries as well as studying the impact of counter-terrorism measures on fundamental rights and data protection. Depending on the profile of the selected expert, additional tasks may be given to the jobholder.

**Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

The selected national expert should have a good understanding of the main terrorism trends in the EU and the challenges linked to the financing of terrorism including new payment methods and technological tools. Moreover he or she should also be aware of the issues that national counter-terrorism services face and the various aspects of European counter-terrorism cooperation. The selected candidate should be able to build on his/her experience at national level to help developing EU policies, tools and practices that effectively support Member States in countering terrorist financing. He/she should be a dynamic and flexible 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)