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VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

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| DG – Directorate – Unit | TRADE.G.5.003 |
| Post number in sysper: | 252800 |
| Contact person:  Provisional starting date:  Initial duration:  Place of secondment: | Jon Nyman (Head of Unit)  3rd quarter 2025  1 year with possible extension up to 4 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: 25-03-2025 |

**Entity Presentation (We are)**

DG TRADE is in charge of leading the EU’s common commercial policy, one of the exclusive competences of the EU. Trade policy plays a critical role in enhancing the EU’s economic competitiveness, shaping globalisation, and defending the EU from unfair trade practices and threats to its economic security.

As an important part of its trade policy, the EU makes use of available autonomous tools such as the EU Trade Defence Instruments (TDIs) (anti-dumping, anti-subsidy and safeguards). These tools protect our citizens and industries against unfair trade practices at international level – their increased use in recent years, in a changing global context, is a testimony of a more assertive European Union, necessary to put globalisation to good account and to ensure a level playing field in international trade.

The EU policy of TDIs and their implementation and execution are centralized in Directorate G of DG TRADE, under the supervision of the Chief Trade Enforcement Officer. Unit DG TRADE.G.5 is composed of 28 officials working in three different Sections. Two Sections are responsible for carrying out trade defence investigations against unfairly priced imports into the EU; a third Section is in charge of monitoring third countries’ trade defence actions against the EU and implementing the EU safeguard policy.

**Job Presentation (We propose)**

We offer a highly interesting and rewarding position as Case Handler in a Section conducting investigations against unfairly priced imports. As part of a team, the selected candidate will deal with all aspects of a trade defence investigation from its initiation up to the adoption of appropriate remedies under the rules established in the anti-dumping and anti-subsidy regulations. Typical tasks include: the collection and verification of relevant data from different stakeholders (producers, traders, users, industry associations, law firms), both within and outside the EU; the calculation of dumping/subsidy/injury margins and the related anti-dumping and countervailing duties; the analysis of micro- and macro-economic injury indicators; the drafting of proposals for remedies and their relevant implementing acts; the disclosure of the investigation findings to interested parties, together with their defence before the Member States’ representatives.

Extensive contacts with EU producers, exporters in third countries and their legal representatives, regular teamwork as well as travelling in the EU and to third countries are the main features of this job.

In this position, the jobholder will see the results of his/her work in a very tangible manner, such as ensuring through concrete border measures a level playing field for EU industries and protecting EU jobs against unfair competition. The position also offers a unique window into the details of how key industries operate in the global economy, and an excellent opportunity for professional and personal growth.

**Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

We are looking for a dynamic colleague with accounting, audit, legal and/or economic background. The candidate should be very motivated to build up the knowledge and skills needed to carry out trade defence investigations and be willing to travel in missions that may occasionally exceed two weeks. The candidate should be an excellent team player, as trade defence investigations are always done in teams of at least two case-handlers supervised by a head of section. Investigating teams also make use of the extensive knowledge and expertise available in Directorate G, where the working atmosphere and interaction are excellent and truly cooperative.

The candidate should combine excellent analytical skills with a strong sense of initiative and the ability to work under pressure to meet strict legal deadlines on several investigations at the same time. He or she should be proficient with Excel and willing to master and use in-house developed tailor-made software. A very good command and drafting skills in English are required, with other EU languages being an asset.

In view of the specific requirements needed for the job, DG Trade provides a mandatory two-week introduction course on TDIs for new officials in Directorate G, and several other internal courses, including for the use of specific software, tailored to the needs of TDI staff.

**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)