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VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

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| DG – Directorate – Unit | DG GROW – G – G2 Single Market Implementation Tools |
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| Contact person:  Provisional starting date:  Initial duration:  Place of secondment: | HoU Stefka DZHUMALIEVA, Stefka.DZHUMALIEVA@ec.europa.eu  4th quarter 202  2 years  Brussels  Luxemburg  Other: |
|  | With allowances  Cost-free |
| This vacancy notice is open to:  EU Member States  EFTA-EEA In-Kind agreement (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway) | |
| This vacancy notice is also open to:  The following EFTA countries:  Iceland  Liechtenstein  Norway  Switzerland  The following third countries:  The following intergovernmental organisations: | |
| Deadline for applications | 2 months  1 month |

**Entity Presentation (We are)**

We are the brand-new DG GROW G2 unit responsible for designing and implementation of the Single Market Tools. Our goal is to enhance the Single Market for businesses and citizens by driving its digitalisation through various tools and projects, and by integrating and streamlining these efforts with other EU digital initiatives.

Introduced by the Ecodesign for Sustainable Products Regulation (ESPR), the Digital Product Passport (DPP) is a digital container for all product-related data, including sustainability and regulatory compliance. It provides trustworthy information to consumers, helps businesses digitalise their supply chains, and enables customs and market surveillance authorities to focus on keeping the Single Market safe and resilient.

**Job Presentation (We propose)**

We are looking for a colleague to join the Digital Product Passport (DPP) team as a legal and policy officer. In your new position you will be expected to support and contribute directly to policy and regulatory initiatives, in particular in shaping the operational framework of the DPP.

You will follow up political aspects, trends and developments relevant to the DPP, and analyse and assess relevant data and information in order to support their integration into policy-making and development of the tool.

You will engage with stakeholders to present the DPP and communicate on the implementation process, including in industry organized events focused on digitalisaiton of product data or automation of public authorities process related to reporting, customs or market surveillance.

You will reach out to internal and external partners to coordinate activities, create synergies, promote the use of the DPP and develop new methods in support of activities in the field of data, information and knowledge for products. At the same time you will facilitate the communication and contribute to the sharing of knowledge within the unit, within the Directorate General and with other DGs.

The DPP is an ambitious cross sectoral tool covering over time most physical products placed on the EU market. Your future role requires the ability to think and work across policy and organisational boundaries and to cooperate closely with a broad range of Commission services.

**Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

As the ideal candidate, you should combine a legal background with a strong focus on digital matters. You should have the ability of working across different policy areas and of connecting the dots linking different policies and initiatives. Familiarity with the processes of adopting EU legislation is an asset.

Policy acumen, out of the box thinking and a sense of strategy and tactics, previous experience in designing policy and/or legislation, with impact assessments, and with negotiating legislation will also be important assets.

Given the wide reach of the project you should have the ability to build networks of professional relations and to communicate clearly both orally and in writing. You should have excellent command of English, the main working language of the team and in the unit. Ability to work in French and/or German is an asset. Other languages would be a plus.

**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, a national expert needs 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 the 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 the 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. The national expert from a third country 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 the secondment, the national expert remains employed and remunerated by his / her employer and covered by his / her (national) social security system.

He / she shall exercise his / her 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.

Allowances can only be granted when the national expert fulfils 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). The selected candidate has the obligation to launch the vetting procedure before getting the secondment confirmation.

**Submission of applications and selection procedure**

Candidates should send their application according to 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)) in English, French or German **only to the Permanent Representation / Diplomatic Mission to the EU of their country**, which will forward it to the competent services of the Commission within the deadline fixed by the latter.The CV must mention the date of birth and the nationality of the candidate.

Candidates are asked not to 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)