

**SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT- JOB PROFILE****Research Officer  
(Research and Innovation Unit in Capacity Building Division)****Tasks and responsibilities:**

Reporting to the Head of Technology Innovation Sector, the main duties related to this position are:

- To provide technical and operational expertise related to border security for the development and implementation of research and innovation activities;
- To assess research and technology against user needs;
- To take part and assist in the development and implementation of studies (research) and pilot technology innovation projects;
- To take part in the development and maintenance of technical standards for equipment and technological solutions, as required;
- To cooperate with national experts and other external stakeholders in the area of duties;
- To deliver assigned activities in line with planning, report on milestones achieved or risks encountered and response actions;
- To prepare or assist in preparation of reports, planning documents, terms of reference documents, situation assessments, seminars, workshops, meetings and other networking activities in the field of research and innovation activities.

**Selection criteria:****Professional qualifications, competencies and experience required:****Essential:**

- At least two years of professional experience and knowledge in one or more of the areas:
  - Research and/or deployment of technological solutions relevant for border security
  - Development of standards relevant for equipment for border surveillance/ border checks or technology solutions applicable to border security
  - Management of or participation in research activities/projects/studies
- Participation in research groups or project structures related to new technologies and/or assessment of technologies in defence and/or security applications
- Educational background in the field of engineering, logistics or business administration or other similar technical study/degree

**Assets:**

- Experience in the development of technical and/or operational requirements/specifications for acquisition of naval, aerial and terrestrial equipment and/or technological solutions

- Knowledge of the EU regulatory framework related to Frontex activities and the research and innovation relevant in the EU
- Work experience in a logistics or research or innovation entity of EU Member States relevant for border control/border security

**Personal skills & competencies required:**

- Strong analytical and quality management skills
- Ability to take initiatives and present ideas, with responsibility, commitment and customer service orientation
- Excellent presentation, interpersonal and communication skills in English (ability to communicate clearly and precisely to different audiences both orally and in writing)