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VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

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| DG – Directorate – Unit | DG SANTE – Public Health, Cancer and Health Security Direktorate – Health Security Unit |
| Post number in sysper: | 374282 |
| Contact person:  Provisional starting date:  Initial duration:  Place of secondment: | Ingrid Keller – Head of Unit – Health SEcurity  4 quarter 2023  2 years  Brussels  Luxemburg  Other: Click or tap here to enter text. |
|  | 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)**

The "Health Security" Unit in the Directorate of Public Health, Cancer and Health Security comprises about 20 staff and is based in Luxembourg. We offer an interesting post in one of the Commission's current priority files in health policy.

**Job Presentation (We propose)**

Under the supervision of an AD official the expert will work on the following tasks:

* Support the implementation of the new regulation 2022/2371 on serious cross-border threats to health and related decisions in the European Health Union legislative package[[1]](#footnote-1), in particular as regards surveillance and national as well as EU-level preparedness.
* Contribute to the coordination of work in this area within DG SANTE, with other Commission services, EU agencies, in particular the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC), Member States, and external stakeholders.
* Follow-up of initiatives on preparedness and crisis management implemented through the EU Health Programme with the Health, Agriculture and Digital Executive Agency (HADEA);
* Support the co-ordination of public health measures through the Health Security Committee and with international health security groups.
* Contribute to implementation of actions to support preparedness for serious cross-border health threats and the implementation of the International Health Regulations in the EU – considering lesson learnt from the COVID-19 pandemic.
* Carry out routine activities as contributions to briefings, parliamentary questions, and the organisation of meetings and other events related to the COVID-19 pandemic or other infectious disease outbreaks.

**Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

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| a) **Eligibility criteria** |
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| The following eligibility criteria must be fulfilled by the candidate in order to be seconded to the Commission. Consequently, the candidate who does not fulfil all of these criteria will be automatically eliminated from the selection process.  • 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: candidates must have at least one year seniority with their employer, that means having worked for an eligible employer as described in Art. 1 of the SNE decision on a permanent or contract basis for at least one year before the secondment;  • 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. SNE from a third country must produce evidence of a thorough knowledge of one EU language necessary for the performance of his duties. |
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| b) **Selection criteria** |
| Diploma:  - university degree or  - professional training or professional experience of an equivalent level  in the field of public health or medicine /natural sciences or law |
| Professional experience:  At least one year experience in policy development and/or policy implementation in the area of public health crisis prevention, preparedness and response . |
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| Language(s) necessary for the performance of duties:  Very good command of written and oral English is essential. Knowledge of French and/or German would be an asset. |

**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 ([[2]](#footnote-2)). This applies in particular to the confidentiality and security of such data. Before applying, please read the attached privacy statement.

1. https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=OJ:L:2022:314:FULL&from=EN [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. () 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-2)