

**NOTICE OF VACANCY**

**SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERTS TO THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION**

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|  | **Post identification:**  **(DG-DIR-UNIT)** | **JUST.B.2 DG ‘Justice and Consumers’ Directorate ‘Consumers’ Unit ‘Consumer Law’** |
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|  | **Number of available posts:** | **1** |
|  | **Suggested taking up duty:**  **Suggested initial duration:** | **2nd quarter 2023[[1]](#footnote-1)**  **2 years1** |
|  | **Place of secondment:** | **⌧ Brussels □ Luxembourg □ Other: ………..** |
|  |  | **⌧ With allowances □ COST-FREE** |
| **This vacancy notice is also open to**  **⌧    the following EFTA countries :  ⌧ Iceland ⌧Liechtenstein ⌧ Norway □ Switzerland** □ **EFTA-EEA In-Kind agreement  (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway) □    the following third countries: □    the following intergovernmental organisations:** |
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| **1** | **Nature of the tasks:** | |
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|  | The unit is responsible for developing and implementing the EU consumer law framework and contributes to the Commission’s priorities on the digital and green transitions.  We offer a job for an expert with knowledge in EU consumer law and interest in consumer digital markets and sustainable consumption.  The job includes the following tasks:  ***Legislative and enforcement work*:**   * contribute to the correct implementation and application as well as further development of EU consumer protection legislation within the Unit's field of responsibility (e.g. Directives on unfair commercial practices, unfair contract terms, consumer rights, price indication, package travel, sale of goods and digital content/services), including compliance checks of national transposition measures, infringement and complaint handling, contribution to preliminary ruling procedures pending before the CJEU, evaluations, impact assessments and legislative negotiations; * support a better enforcement of the EU acquis by the Member States' authorities, also by facilitating its common interpretation through guidance and training.   ***Legal analysis and policy development*:**   * ensure timely and accurate replies to consultations from other Commission services and to parliamentary questions and petitions; * co-operation with other Commission services and participation in inter-services groups; * contribute to the screening of consumer and marketing law of third countries in the framework of the European neighbourhood and enlargement policies.   ***Internal Communication*:**   * ensure efficient and transparent flow of information within the Unit, the Directorate-General and/or Cabinet, as appropriate, in order to facilitate the smooth handling of files.   ***External Communication*:**   * efficiently and effectively contribute to preparing briefings, speeches, press-materials for the Commissioner, Cabinet and the DG’s senior management; * present the internally agreed views to external stakeholders and gather information from them. | |
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| **2** | **Main qualifications:** | |
|  | 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: **Law** | |
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|  | Professional experience: Previous professional experience in and/or knowledge of European or national policy/legislation in the area of consumer law is desired. Both public administration and private sector experiences can be considered as relevant.  Good communication skills as well as strong analytical and drafting capacities are important.  Languages necessary for the performance of duties: Excellent command of English is essential, a good command of French will be an asset. | |
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| **3** | **Submission of applications and selection procedure** | |
|  | Candidates should send their application according to the **Europass CV format** (<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. **Not respecting this procedure or deadlines will automatically invalidate the application.** | |
|  | 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.  Candidates will be informed of the follow-up of their application by the unit concerned. | |
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| **4** | **Conditions of the secondment** | |
|  | 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). This decision is available on http://ec.europa.eu/civil\_service/job/sne/index\_en.htm.  The SNE will remain employed and remunerated by his/her employer during the secondment. He/she will equally remain covered by the national social security system.  Unless for cost-free SNE, allowances may be granted by the Commission to SNE fulfilling the conditions provided for in Art. 17 of the SNE decision.  During the secondment, SNE are subject to confidentiality, loyalty and absence of conflict of interest obligations, as provided for in Art. 6 and 7 of the SNE Decision.  If any document is inexact, incomplete or missing, the application may be cancelled.  Staff posted in a European Union Delegation are required to have a security clearance (up to SECRET UE level according to Commission Decision 2001/844/EC, ECSC, Euratom – O.J. E.U n° L 317 of 03.12.2001).  The selected candidate has the obligation to launch the vetting procedure before getting the secondment confirmation. | |
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| **5** | **Processing of personal data** | |
|  | The selection, secondment and termination of the secondment of a national expert requires the Commission (the competent services of DG HR, DG BUDG, PMO and the DG concerned) to process personal data concerning the person to be seconded, under the responsibility of the Head of Unit of DG HR.DDG.B4. The data processing is subject to the SNE Decision as well as the Regulation (EU) 2018/1725.  Data is kept by the competent services for 10 years after the secondment (2 years for not selected or not seconded experts).  You have specific rights as a ‘data subject’ under Chapter III (Articles 14-25) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725, in particular the right to access, rectify or erase your personal data and the right to restrict the processing of your personal data. Where applicable, you also have the right to object to the processing or the right to data portability.  You can exercise your rights by contacting the Data Controller, or in case of conflict the Data Protection Officer. If necessary, you can also address the European Data Protection Supervisor. Their contact information is given below.  **Contact information**   * **The Data Controller**   If you would like to exercise your rights under Regulation (EU) 2018/1725, or if you have comments, questions or concerns, or if you would like to submit a complaint regarding the collection and use of your personal data, please feel free to contact the Data Controller, HR.DDG.B.4, [HR-MAIL-B4@ec.europa.eu](mailto:HR-MAIL-B4@ec.europa.eu).   * **The Data Protection Officer (DPO) of the Commission**   You may contact the Data Protection Officer ([DATA-PROTECTION-OFFICER@ec.europa.eu](mailto:DATA-PROTECTION-OFFICER@ec.europa.eu)) with regard to issues related to the processing of your personal data under Regulation (EU) 2018/1725.   * **The European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS)**   You have the right to have recourse (i.e. you can lodge a complaint) to the European Data Protection Supervisor ([edps@edps.europa.eu](mailto:edps@edps.europa.eu)) if you consider that your rights under Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 have been infringed as a result of the processing of your personal data by the Data Controller.  To the attention of candidates from third countries: your personal data can be used for necessary checks. | |

1. These mentions are given on an indicative basis only (Art.4 of the SNE Decision). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)