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VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

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| DG – Directorate – Unit | DG Climate Action Directorate A - Strategy, Analysis & Planning Unit A2 - Foresight, economic analysis and modelling |
| Post number in sysper: | 345724 |
| Contact person:  Provisional starting date:  Initial duration:  Place of secondment: | Vicky POLLARD vicky.pollard@ec.europa.eu  +32.2.29. 99758  2nd quarter 2025  As of 1 June 2025  2 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: 25-11-2024 |

**Entity Presentation (We are)**

DG CLIMA Unit A2- Foresight, Economic Analysis and Modelling- provides strategic foresight into climate policies, by developing and contributing to strategic options for the EU's international and domestic climate action, underpinned by in depth economic and technical analysis and robust data and reporting on progress

We are a highly motivated team of close to 20 colleagues, including economists, natural scientists and engineers working in the political spotlight on climate change.

The unit coordinates the implementation of the transparency or monitoring, reporting and verification systems of greenhouse gas emissions in the EU and globally and the relations with the European Environment Agency (EEA), Eurostat, and the Environmental Knowledge Community.

The unit is also closely involved in analysis for the development of EU climate targets and policies under the European Green Deal and the European Climate Law. It also participates in the international negotiations and outreach activities on climate policy, notably for the Global Stocktake and by assessing global progress to achieve the climate goals of the Paris Agreement and the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

The unit also works with countries outside the EU to build capacity for modelling of climate targets, NDCs and policies and for transparency under the Paris Agreement.

Finally, the unit is the DG CLIMA focal point for the Commission’s strategic foresight work and for the science of climate change.

**Job Presentation (We propose)**

We propose a position for a highly motivated Seconded National Expert as part of our team. The post will offer a stimulating experience in one of the core policy areas for DG CLIMA.

The new colleague will focus on international outreach related to modelling, data and analysis for the implementation of domestic climate action and the Paris Agreement and will assist, under the supervision of a Commission official, the international negotiating team on climate change involved in the follow up of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), relating to topics concerning the Global Stocktake and climate mitigation.   
  
The SNE will also contribute to the assessment in quantitative terms of global progress to achieve the climate goals of the Paris Agreement. In particular, the SNE will be involved in outreach towards European and international economic research institutes, policy think tanks and modelling teams, in order to engage counterparts on how analysis and modelling tools can be used to underpin climate policy preparation. The policy officer may also be attributed a specific country or region to follow in this context or follow the work of organizations such as the International Energy Agency or the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) with a focus on climate mitigation.

Without prejudice to the principle of loyal cooperation between the national/regional and European administrations, the SNE will not work on individual cases with implications with files he/she would have had to deal with in his/her national administration in the two years preceding its entry into the Commission, or directly adjacent cases. In no case he/she shall represent the Commission in order to make commitments, financial or otherwise, or to negotiate on behalf of the Commission.

**Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

Diploma

- university degree or

- professional training or professional experience of an equivalent level in the field(s) :climate change, economics, energy policies or similar

Professional experience

Preferably at least 3 year's experience in climate change and energy issues, at domestic and/ or international level.  Knowledge of EU climate policies.

Experience of quantitative work, data analysis, modelling or assessment of policies is an advantage

Language(s) necessary for the performance of duties

A very good command of English is essential, as it is the main working language for the post. The ability to work in other official EU languages 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, 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)