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VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

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| DG – Directorate – Unit | RTD.G.1 |
| Post number in sysper: | 318021 |
| Contact person:  Provisional starting date:  Initial duration:  Place of secondment: | Paolo PASIMENI  [RTD-CHIEF-ECONOMIST@ec.europa.eu](mailto:RTD-CHIEF-ECONOMIST@ec.europa.eu)  4th quarter 2025  2 years  Brussels  Luxemburg  Other: Click or tap here to enter text. |
| 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: IMF, ECB, OECD, UN. WB. | |
| Deadline for applications | Latest application date: 25-11-2025 |

**Entity Presentation (We are)**

Unit RTD.G.1 – Common R&I Strategy & Foresight Service – the Team of the Chief Economist of DG R&I is a group of 18 enthusiastic and motivated colleagues, who enjoy working together. We contribute to the formulation of evidence-based and transformative research and innovation (R&I) policies to increase Europe’s prosperity and well-being. We produce targeted analyses and evidence on the contribution of R&I to the Commission’s policies, to help minimise trade-offs between economic, social and environmental objectives. We focus on R&I investment as well as reforms and regulation in the field. We also lead the foresight process for R&I policy and coordinate foresight across the Framework Programme. We act as the economic service of the DG R&I and the Common Policy Centre. As such, we work closely with various partners, from Member States, to research centres, to businesses, and other International Organisations.

**Job Presentation (We propose)**

We look for a motivated team player with a positive attitude, organisational as well as interpersonal skills.

Under the supervision of an AD staff member, the seconded national expert will contribute to the overall activities of the Unit. This involves:

* 1. Contributing to the assessment of emerging technologies through quantitative and qualitative analyses;
  2. Contributing to the analysis of public investment in research and innovation in the EU (with a focus on the coherence between investment at national and EU level) and the study of spending trajectories for the Member States;
  3. Contributing to the development of scenarios for the future, and identification of major trends;
  4. Monitoring trends and analysing developments in science, technology and innovation and in related policies at EU and national levels;
  5. Managing studies and contributing to internal and external communication activities, such as newsletters, blogs and conferences;
  6. Preparing analytical input for other DGs, the Cabinet, and interacting with external stakeholders (research centres, think tanks, other international organisations).

**Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

Diploma

* + Advanced university degree in economics, statistics, sciences, engineering, technology.
  + Professional training or professional experience of an equivalent level in the field(s) of: R&D and innovation, science and technology policies, applied economics, statistics.

Professional experience

The expert will have a specific background either in economics or in technology assessment and a thorough understanding of policy-making. S/he will have at least 2 years of experience in applied economics, statistics or science and technology policy analysis. In addition, proven specific experience in technology assessment, public finances, or R&I policies would be a strong asset.

The expert will work on various projects of the team, the ideal candidate should be:

* + Either an economist specialized in public finances, to study the vertical coherence of R&I investment in the EU (between national and EU level) and analyse spending trajectories for the Member States;
  + Or a technical profile specialized in technology assessment, to study and monitor emerging technologies.

Strong quantitative skills, with the capacity to apply them to meaningful and policy relevant research questions are a clear advantage, as well as familiarity with key topics of our portfolio: investment in R&D, technology assessment and monitoring, the structure of the research and innovation systems in the EU.

Language(s) necessary for the performance of duties

Excellent command of written and spoken English is essential.

**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)