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VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

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| DG – Directorate – Unit | COMP/C/C1 |
| Post number in sysper: | Job no. 17354 |
| Contact person:  Provisional starting date:  Initial duration:  Place of secondment: | Annemarie ter Heegde  2nd quarter 2025  1 year  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: 25-04-2025 |

**Entity Presentation (We are)**

Unit C.1 is responsible for the application of EU competition rules (Articles 101, 102 and 106 of the Treaty) in the area of electronic communications. This is a fast-moving sector of the digital economy that is key to Europe's future prosperity and growth. We enforce competition rules in telecoms markets as well as in upstream and neighbouring industries, such as high tech markets for computer chips, software and electronic communication equipment. The Unit furthermore focusses on ex officio investigations, pro-actively following leads in other matters related to digital markets. Unit C.1 has a rich portfolio of recent cases and pipeline investigations. We are also the responsible unit in COMP for dealing with matters related to standard essential patents and contribute to different Commission policy projects and regulatory work in the electronic communications and standard essential patent fields.

**Job Presentation (We propose)**

Unit C.1 is offering a post as a case handler officer. Case handler officers (individually or a as a member of a team) hold the key responsibility for a number of cases and deal with every stage of the procedure, from the initial investigation until the adoption of a formal Commission decision. The position involves frequent contacts with companies, their legal and economic advisers as well as with other Commission departments and national competition and regulatory authorities. Case handler officers contribute to general discussions within the unit concerning the development of competition policy in electronic communications and neighbouring markets. They can also be involved in cases of other Units within the Directorate on a project-basis and in projects for the development of antitrust policy for DG COMP as a whole.

**Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

A dynamic, motivated and experienced colleague with a background in competition law and/or competition economics. The candidate should have good investigative skills and experience in the application of competition law and/or economic analysis, in particular in the application of Article 102 TFEU. The ideal candidate has good analytical skills, a sense of initiative, a results-oriented approach and well-developed teamwork abilities. Thorough knowledge of English and good drafting skills are 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)