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VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

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| DG – Directorate – Unit | ESTAT-D-2 |
| Post number in sysper: | 214352 |
| Contact person:  Provisional starting date:  Initial duration:  Place of secondment: | Malgorzata SZCZESNA, [Malgorzata.SZCZESNA@ec.europa.eu](mailto:Malgorzata.SZCZESNA@ec.europa.eu), +352 4301 37407  1 quarter 2024  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: … | |
| Deadline for applications | Latest application date: 25-04-2024 |

**Entity Presentation (We are)**

Eurostat unit D.2 – 'Excessive Deficit Procedure (EDP) I' is responsible for high profile statistical data used for the EU’s economic and fiscal governance. It validates data on government deficit and debt for the Excessive Deficit Procedure (EDP) which is enshrined in the Treaty. The unit members – organised as desk officers with specific country responsibilities – maintain a constant dialogue with countries on the quality and completeness of their EDP data, liaising closely with their counterparts in the national statistical offices and with colleagues in Eurostat, DG ECFIN, other Commission departments and the European Central Bank. The unit is in charge of 10 EU Member States, 4 candidate countries and one EEA country and conducts regular EDP missions to those countries.

Unit D.2 shares the responsibility for the Member States’ fiscal reporting with unit D.1 (Excessive Deficit Procedure methodology) and unit D.3 (Excessive Deficit Procedure (EDP II). Therefore, we cooperate very closely within the Directorate. The main working language within the directorate, as well as the language most commonly used in correspondence with Member States, is English. Further information is available at <https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/government-finance-statistics/excessive-deficit-procedure>, including links to our latest publications.

**Job Presentation (We propose)**

We offer an interesting position as EDP desk officer for one or two Member States, and possibly a candidate country in a small and dynamic team with outputs of high visibility and importance. The main tasks of a desk officer include assessing the quality of EDP data reported by Member States, preparing and actively participating in EDP visits to the countries, monitoring developments relating to government finance statistics in the country, answering countries' questions on statistics (mainly methodological issues) and analysing relevant legislation. Each desk officer also has horizontal methodological responsibilities. The job involves a mixture of autonomous work and teamwork.

**Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

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| We are looking for a motivated colleague with a solid background in economics and/or statistics and sound analytical skills. Knowledge of national accounts and in particular government finance and EDP is one of the qualifications sought. A further strong asset is experience in compiling government finance or EDP statistics. S/he should be able to work independently as well as in a team. The level of responsibility is high as we are releasing Member States' (and candidate countries') general government deficit and debt data which play a central role in the EU's economic governance. Taking initiatives, applying sound judgement and having a results-oriented approach are important. During the bi-annual notification period, the successful candidate should be able to work under tight deadlines and at the same time pay great attention to detail. Good command of and report drafting skills in English are required. Additional language skills are further assets. |

**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)