

## SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT- JOB PROFILE

### Operational Officer

(Coast Guard and Law Enforcement Unit in Operational Response Division)

#### Tasks and responsibilities:

Reporting to the Head of Unit and under the supervision of the respective Head of Sector the main duties related to these positions are:

- To support Sector's activities, in the terms of the development and implementation of the operational tasks, in particular the contribution to the prevention, detection and fight against cross-border crime.
- To develop and manage operational cooperation with key EU and international stakeholders in the remits of cross border crime counteraction, especially illegal goods smuggling associated with crossing of borders by persons, internally and in coordination with Frontex partners.
- To coordinate, manage and implement operational activities related to border control from the perspective of cross-border crime counteraction coordinated or participated by Frontex;
- To provide with expertise on all aspects of border control and Integrated Border Management based on his/her professional competencies, promoting best practices and knowledge-sharing within the Sector;
- To support the Frontex' input into the EMPACT related activities in the field of Excise Fraud, IPR/Counterfeit goods smuggling, Environmental Crime including Joint Action Days;
- To coordinate and organize meetings, workshops, seminars and to establish network for cooperation in the field of Sector's activities;
- To improve visibility, advocacy and resource mobilization for the Agency's efforts to enhance the cooperation with customs and other authorities involved in combating the financial fraud, excise fraud and counterfeit goods smuggling as well as environmental crime;
- To share the expertise with the Sector's management and other team members in acquisition and appliance of tailored technical equipment and tools effective in the prevention, detection and counteraction of CBC under the scope of responsibility;
- To manage and coordinate operational activities, including identification of operational needs, planning, implementation, and evaluation of operational activities, reporting on operational results according to instructions provided by the Sector's management. These activities encompass, inter alia, the preparation of operational plans, reports, written communications, briefing notes, operational meetings and responding to enquiries related to the activities and/or coordination of implementation measures in the operational areas.

**Selection criteria:**

**Professional qualifications, competencies and experience required:**

**Essential:**

- At least 7 years of experience in management and/or implementation of operational activities in the area of cross border crime prevention, detection, fight.
- Experience in the field of the counteraction the cross-border crime, best if related to excise goods smuggling, financial crime, IPR/counterfeit goods smuggling, environmental crime.
- Working for customs authorities or close cooperation with customs authorities in the field work
- Knowledge of Schengen Border Code, The European IBM, Frontex Regulation, standards and practices of fundamental rights in the EU.

**Assets:**

- Experience in field operations and/or experience in supporting the operational cases related to cross-border crime such as excise goods smuggling and/or financial crime
- Appropriate professional knowledge related to the above-mentioned areas, including relevant EU and international law,
- International expertise in the field of cross-border crime counteraction

**Personal skills & competencies required:**

- Proficiency in English
- Proficient user of standard office software (MS Office or similar)
- Ability to develop and maintain professional networks
- Knowledge on how to work effectively with officials of diverse cultural backgrounds
- Ability to review and analyse written material and make recommendations for action
- Ability to perform at the highest level, in a fast paced, deadline-driven environment
- Knowledge of the Russian and/or Ukrainian language would be an additional advantage but not essential one