

SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT- JOB PROFILE

Research Officer (Research and Innovation Unit in Capacity Building Division)

Tasks and responsibilities:

Reporting to the Head of Sector Border Security Observatory, the Research Officer's responsibilities are as follows:

- To monitor research and developments of technologies relevant for border security;
- To assess research and technology against user needs;
- To manage and assist in the definition of research studies and technology pilot projects;
- To cooperate with national experts and other external stakeholders in the area of duties;
- To manage assigned activities and projects: prepare and maintain schedules of activities and events of projects/contracts. Deliver assigned tasks in line with planning, report on milestones, risks and response actions;
- To coordinate and support the preparation of reports, terms of reference, workshops, meetings and other networking activities in the field of research and innovation;
- To provide the Head of Unit and the Head of Sector with practical advice and expertise;
- To perform other tasks and activities assigned by the Head of Sector.

Selection criteria:

Professional qualifications, competencies and experience required:

Essential:

- Professional experience of at least two years in the management of research activities/projects/studies, preferably in a multinational or multicultural organization
- Experience in working groups or projects related to new technologies and the assessment of technologies in border surveillance, border checks, defence or security applications
- Educational background in the field of engineering, science, business administration or other technical study/degree
- Knowledge of the EU regulatory framework related to EBCG

Assets:

- Experience in capability planning and project management in the field of border security, law enforcement, or defence
- Working experience in the logistics or research or innovation department of EU Member States authorities

Personal skills & competencies required:

- Ability to organise and manage work, including the ability to cope with stress in relation to demanding and multiple tasks, heavy workload, time pressure and tight deadlines
- Strong sense of initiative, responsibility and commitment and customer service
- Very good presentation, interpersonal and communication skills in both orally and in writing.