

**VACANCY NOTICE**

**SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT TO THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION**

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| **Post identification:**(DG-DIR-UNIT) | **ENER-B-4** |
| **Head of Unit:****Email address:****Telephone:****Number of available posts:****Suggested taking up duty:****Suggested initial duration:****Place of secondment:** | **Stefan Moser****stefan.moser@ec.europa.eu****+32 2 296.58.80**1**4th quarter 2020 [[1]](#footnote-1)****1 year1**☒ **Brussels** □ **Luxemburg** □ **Other: ……………..** |
|  | ☒**With allowances** □  **Cost-free** |
| **This vacancy notice is also open to****□    the following EFTA countries : □ Iceland □ Liechtenstein □ Norway □ Switzerland □ EFTA-EEA In-Kind agreement (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway)□    the following third countries:□    the following intergovernmental organisations:** |

**1. Nature of the tasks**

The vacancy offers an opportunity to contribute skills and expertise for implementing and strengthening the EU policy in the field of safety of offshore oil and gas activities as well as for developing and implementing policies and legislation relating to gas supply security.

In this context, the Seconded National Expert (SNE) shall leverage practical experience gained in the national or international context related to regulation and supervision of offshore hydrocarbon prospection exploration and production.

The SNE will contribute to the tasks of the European Commission as stipulated in the Offshore Safety Directive (2013/30/EU). On a technical level, the job holder will optimise the application of EU legislation in the area of health, safety and environment protection.

Since Member States had to implement the Offshore Safety Directive (2013/30/EU) by 19 July 2015, the Commission reinforced its dialogue with Member States to ensure a high quality of implementation. Accordingly, the END shall contribute ensuring the use of best practice for safe offshore operations and a consistent implementation and application of relevant legislation in EU Member States.

The SNE shall follow policies relevant for the safety of offshore oil and gas operations and specifically deal with the offshore sector’s impact on the environment.

The SNE will also contribute to the Commission's co-operation with Member States, as for example the EU Offshore Authorities Group set up by the Commission for a structured dialogue and cooperation with national regulatory authorities in Member States and with offshore industry.

Examples from the task list are:

* Disseminating legal tools and practical advice;
* Contribution to the contents of the Commission’s Virtual Centre of Expertise and the website of the European Offshore Authorities Group;
* Monitoring of the safety and environmental impact of decommissioning and contributing to the legal and technical analysis;
* Preparation of background material for the annual report of offshore safety;
* Support to training measures for Competent Authorities;

Furthermore, the tasks of the SNE will include the policy area of gas security of supply. The SNE will hereby provide input to implementing relevant legislation (2017/1938/EU) and developing security of gas supply policy, such as the management of the relevant expert group (“Gas Coordination Group”) including handling of possible crises, preparation of presentations, analytical notes, opinions, enforcement action, briefings, responses to stakeholder questions and other policy documents for both internal Commission use and for external dissemination.

**2. Main qualifications**

**a) Eligibility criteria**

The following eligibility criteria must be fulfilled by the candidate in order to be seconded to the Commission. Consequently, the candidate who does not fulfil all of these criteria will be automatically eliminated from the selection process.

• 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: candidates must have at least one year seniority with their employer, that means having worked for an eligible employer as described in Art. 1 of the SNE decision on a permanent or contract basis for at least one year before the secondment;

• 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. SNE from a third country must produce evidence of a thorough knowledge of one EU language necessary for the performance of his duties.

**b) Selection criteria**

Diploma

- university degree or

- professional training or professional experience of an equivalent level

 in the field(s) : engineering, law, economics or equivalent.

Professional experience

Professional experience desirable in the oil/gas sector and/or a ministry or regulatory/supervisory authority responsible for offshore operations and/or gas supply security.

Language(s) necessary for the performance of duties

English.

**3. Submission of applications and selection procedure**

Candidates should send their application according to the **Europass CV format** (<http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/documents/curriculum-vitae>) in English, French or German **only to the Permanent Representation / Diplomatic Mission to the EU of their country**, which will forward it to the competent services of the Commission within the deadline fixed by the latter.The CV must mention the date of birth and the nationality of the candidate. **Not respecting this procedure or deadlines will automatically invalidate the application.**

Candidates are asked not to 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.

Candidates will be informed of the follow-up of their application by the unit concerned.

**4. Conditions of the secondment**

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).

The SNE will remain employed and remunerated by his/her employer during the secondment. He/she will equally remain covered by the national social security system.

Unless for cost-free SNE, allowances may be granted by the Commission to SNE fulfilling the conditions provided for in Art. 17 of the SNE decision.

During the secondment, SNE are subject to confidentiality, loyalty and absence of conflict of interest obligations, as provided for in Art. 6 and 7 of the SNE Decision.

If any document is inexact, incomplete or missing, the application may be cancelled.

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, OJ L 72, 17.03.2015, p. 53).

The selected candidate has the obligation to launch the vetting procedure before getting the secondment confirmation.

**5. Processing of personal data**

The selection, secondment and termination of the secondment of a national expert requires the Commission (the competent services of DG HR, DG BUDG, PMO and the DG concerned) to process personal data concerning the person to be seconded, under the responsibility of the Head of Unit of DG HR.DDG.B4. The data processing is subject to the SNE Decision as well as the Regulation (EU) 2018/1725.

Data is kept by the competent services for 10 years after the secondment (2 years for not selected or not seconded experts).

You have specific rights as a ‘data subject’ under Chapter III (Articles 14-25) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725, in particular the right to access, rectify or erase your personal data and the right to restrict the processing of your personal data. Where applicable, you also have the right to object to the processing or the right to data portability.

You can exercise your rights by contacting the Data Controller, or in case of conflict the Data Protection Officer. If necessary, you can also address the European Data Protection Supervisor. Their contact information is given below.

**Contact information**

* **The Data Controller**

If you would like to exercise your rights under Regulation (EU) 2018/1725, or if you have comments, questions or concerns, or if you would like to submit a complaint regarding the collection and use of your personal data, please feel free to contact the Data Controller, HR.DDG.B.4, HR-MAIL-B4@ec.europa.eu.

* **The Data Protection Officer (DPO) of the Commission**

You may contact the Data Protection Officer (DATA-PROTECTION-OFFICER@ec.europa.eu) with regard to issues related to the processing of your personal data under Regulation (EU) 2018/1725.

* **The European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS)**

You have the right to have recourse (i.e. you can lodge a complaint) to the European Data Protection Supervisor (edps@edps.europa.eu) if you consider that your rights under Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 have been infringed as a result of the processing of your personal data by the Data Controller.

To the attention of candidates from third countries: your personal data can be used for necessary checks.

1. These mentions are given on an indicative basis only (Art.4 of the SNE Decision). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)