



NOTICE OF VACANCY

SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERTS TO THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Post identification: (DG-DIR-UNIT)	CONNECT-B-5
Directorate-General: Directorate: Unit: Head of Unit: Telephone: Number of available posts: Category: Suggested taking up duty: Suggested initial duration: Place of secondment:	Communications Networks, Content and Technology Connectivity Investment in High Capacity Networks Franco Accordino +32 2 299 82 72 1 Administrator (AD) 3rd quarter 2023¹ 2 year(s)¹ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brussels <input type="checkbox"/> Luxembourg <input type="checkbox"/> Other:
Specificities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> With allowances <input type="checkbox"/> COST-FREE This vacancy notice is also open to <input type="checkbox"/> the following EFTA countries : <input type="checkbox"/> Iceland <input type="checkbox"/> Liechtenstein <input type="checkbox"/> Norway <input type="checkbox"/> Switzerland <input type="checkbox"/> EFTA-EEA In-Kind agreement (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway) <input type="checkbox"/> the following third countries: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the following intergovernmental organisations: World Bank, IMF, EBRD, ...

1	Nature of the tasks:
	<p>Unit B5 deals with different instruments for stimulating public and private investment in connectivity in order to underpin the Digital Decade targets. More specifically, unit B5 manages, together with the executive agency HaDEA, the digital strand of the Connecting Europe Facility Programme, for which 2 calls have already been published. In the context of CEF but also beyond, the unit develops and implements policies in the area of backbone connectivity for digital global gateways and 5G connectivity for smart communities. Furthermore, the team is responsible for the exercise of the Commission's shareholder rights in the Connecting Europe Broadband Fund, as well as for developing and implementing financial instruments for connectivity.</p> <p>The Unit leads for the deployment of Gigabit networks on the current and future use of EU-level financial resources, such as the Recovery and Resilience Facility (RRF), the Structural and Cohesion Funds and InvestEU. The unit is the centre of expertise in DG Connect about state aid control, and works closely with DG Competition for the assessment of Member States notification of aid granted to broadband projects. It also collaborates with the European Investment Bank providing it with the Commission's views on whether projects candidate for EIB finance are</p>

¹ These mentions are given on an indicative basis only (Art.4 of the SNE Decision).

consistent with the policies of the Union.

The tasks will include to:

- Contribute to the development and management of policy and funding instruments related to Gigabit and 5G Networks in line with the 2030 targets for Digital Decade, notably regarding legal and/or economic aspects of grant funding programmes, financial instruments, including in particular state-aid aspects and implementation modalities.
- Develop policy in the area of electronic communications networks financing - including through grants and financial instruments
- Contribute to reflections and produce timely and quality deliverables on future strategic orientations, horizontal and cross-cutting issues concerning electronic communications networks, notably in the context of the next CEF Work Programme and the next Multi-annual Financial Framework (MFF);
- Contribute to technical, economic or legal analysis of electronic communications networks deployment issues.
- Prepare analysis and recommendations on individual digital infrastructure projects supported by CEF, RRF, EFSI, InvestEU, as well as on programmes and national/regional plans and their potential contributions to the achievement of the Digital Decade objectives;
- Design, supervise and manage studies and IT projects procured by the Commission;
- Deliver on specific actions of the Commission policy in the area of Connectivity.
- Represent the Commission in contacts with stakeholders (including the preparation and participation in conferences and various fora) from business/user environment and from the Members States' national or regional authorities (e.g. network of Broadband Competence Offices).

2	Main qualifications:
	<p>a) Eligibility criteria</p> <p>The following eligibility criteria are to be fulfilled by the candidate in order to be seconded to the Commission. Any candidate not fulfilling any of these will be automatically eliminated from the selection process.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional experience : at least three years' experience in administrative, legal, scientific, technical, advisory or supervisory functions which can be regarded as equivalent to those of function groups AD; • Seniority : at least one year by your employer, that is having worked for an eligible employer (as described in Art. 1 of the SNE decision) on a permanent or contract basis for at least 12 months 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. An SNE from a non-member country must produce evidence of a thorough knowledge of one EU language necessary for the performance of his duties. <p>b) Selection criteria</p> <p>University degree, preferably in economics, law and/or telecommunications engineering</p> <p>Professional experience: in-depth knowledge of electronic communications sector;</p>

experience in the coordination or management of ICT and/or broadband deployment projects; experience in relevant political and administrative processes and/or programme management, as well as good knowledge of the Commission's internal procedures; Experience of CNECT policies and/or funding instruments, as well as knowledge of the EU regulatory and/or state aid framework for telecom / broadband sector would be a significant asset.

Language(s) necessary for the performance of duties: a very good command of English and ability to write clear and convincing policy and technical documents is necessary. Any other European language would be an asset.

Delivering high quality outputs under tight deadlines; Capacity to identify issues, propose solutions and deliver timely and quality outcomes; Good organisation and communication skills and ability to work within a multidisciplinary team; Team spirit, ability to work independently and take initiative. The candidate should have a capacity to quickly acquire new competences, whenever necessary; Ability to work within a multidisciplinary team of specialists, strong editorial skills.

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 the applications to the competent services of the Commission within the deadline fixed by the latter. **Not respecting this procedure or deadlines will automatically invalidate the application.**

Candidates are required not to add 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). This decision is available on http://ec.europa.eu/civil_service/job/sne/index_en.htm.

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.

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

During the secondment, SNEs 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 secondment may be cancelled.

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.B4. The data processing is subject to the SNE Decision as well as the Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2000 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Community institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data.

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

Data subjects may exercise their right of access to data concerning them and the right to rectify such data by applying to the controller, in accordance with Article 13 of the Regulation on the processing of

personal data. The candidate may send complaints to the European Data Protection Supervisor edps@edps.europa.eu.

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

More information is available on http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/personnel_administration/security_en.htm.

Information on data protection for candidates to a JRC post is available on: <http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/jrc/index.cfm?id=6270>.