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VACANCY NOTICE FOR A POST OF SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERT

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| DG – Directorate – Unit | Agriculture and Rural Development |
| Post number in sysper: | 461140 |
| Contact person:  Provisional starting date:  Initial duration:  Place of secondment: | Carlos MARTÍN ÓVILO  2nd quarter 2025  2+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: 27-01-2025 |

**Entity Presentation (We are)**

Unit AGRI E.3 is in charge of monitoring and analysing the market situation for animal products (dairy, meat, eggs, honey) within DG Agriculture and Rural Development. As part of the overall mission of the Directorate “Markets” (to promote the competitiveness, resilience and diversity of the agricultural sector for ensuring the long-term food security as part of a sustainable food system), the Unit provides regular market analysis to hierarchy, Member States and stakeholders. The Unit is in charge of the management of two Market Observatories (milk and meats).

The Unit ensures appropriate management of markets with the instruments foreseen in the Common Market Organisation, which entails responsibility for drafting and negotiating relevant legislation.

The specificities of animal products require a close link with food safety, animal welfare, environmental aspects and international trade. It also involves frequent contact with stakeholders along the supply chain (producers, processing industry, traders and retail).

**Job Presentation (We propose)**

We propose a position for a policy and market officer for animal products who shall primarily collaborate in the economic analysis and follow-up of market developments including the formulation of appropriate policy options. This includes in particular the following tasks:

* Monitoring the implementation of marketing standards for animal products, in particular the provisions set out in the reviewed Honey Directive.
* Monitoring market developments in the EU and beyond and drafting adequate briefings and market reports;
* Follow-up of the implementation of various market instruments (carcass classification, private storage aid, exceptional market support measures; labelling; external trade questions; etc.);
* Active participation in committees, expert groups and other relevant meetings with representatives of Member States or third countries as well as various stakeholders;
* Provide Common Agriculture Policy advice for relevant dossiers.

As a secondary task, the new colleague might be requested to provide practical expertise in the area of carcass classification and meat price reporting. Under the supervision of the "Meat Sector" team leader, the job holder would contribute to the organisation of the visits of the Union Inspection Committee.

**Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

We look for a well-qualified, highly motivated and open-minded colleague with experience in the agricultural field. He/she should have a good knowledge of the CAP, in particular in the areas related to the job. Particular experience regarding the animal product sectors is not a pre-requisite but would be highly appreciated. The successful candidate should have a high commitment to assure quality and accuracy and the capacity to perform duties independently and in a flexible way.

**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)