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| Deadline for applications | Latest application date: 27-05-2024 |

**Entity Presentation (We are)**

Unit B1 “Electronic Communications Policy, Implementation and Enforcement" is one of the five units of Directorate B "Digital Decade and Connectivity". The unit consists of 16 colleagues and is responsible for conceiving, drafting, negotiating and enforcing the EU regulatory framework for electronic communications. The unit's policy work aims at promoting the availability and take-up of very high-capacity networks and electronic communications services in the internal market, through consistent and proportionate regulatory conditions, enhanced competition, and focused obligations and incentives, in the interest of all end-users. Concretely, B1 is responsible for developing policy and legislation as well as its enforcement. The portfolio of legislation includes the European Electronic Communications Code, the Open Internet Regulation and the Gigabit Infrastructure Act (GIA). In these areas, we coordinate and participate in meetings of the Communications Committee (COCOM) with Member States and organise annual seminars for national judges on the judicial application of European rules on electronic communications. We also participate in working groups of the Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC).

Moreover, we are responsible for the development of policy in relation to the future of the connectivity sector. In 2023 B1 conducted an exploratory consultation to allow a broad reflection on the topic, which led to the adoption in 2024 of a White Paper on digital infrastructure needs including scenarios to consider in future legislative developments.

**Job Presentation (We propose)**

The SNE will contribute to policy and legislative initiatives in the area of connectivity, in particular contributing to the implementation and revision of the EU regulatory framework for telecommunication networks and services.

Enforcement activities include handling complaints, introducing infringement proceedings concerning transposition and correct application of the law in Member States, and drafting reports or implementing regulation.

New legislative initiatives potentially include the review of the European Electronic Communications Code, including following studies, preparing an impact assessment, proposal drafting and negotiations with Council and Parliament.

The SNE will explore options for improving the legal framework based on experience with it in Member States and applied by national regulators and its impact on market developments and in view of public policy objectives.

She/he will maintain an up-to-date knowledge of relevant policy priorities in Member States and at EU level by contributing and participating in Council and Parliament groups and committees, key conferences, and seminars.

As regards stakeholder cooperation in the area of connectivity she/he will be liaising with Member States, industrial actors as well as consumer associations and/or organising meetings, workshops and benchmarking activities and follow working group activities.

She/he will enhance the visibility and impact of the policies by disseminating the Commission policies and particularly current and planned activities and initiatives at workshops, seminars, conferences and other public events.

She/he will contribute to the representation of the Unit/Directorate/Directorate-General vis-à-vis other Commission services on issues of relevance to the work of the Unit/Directorate/Directorate-General in the area of connectivity policy.

**Jobholder Profile (We look for)**

We look for a candidate with a university degree or with professional training or professional experience of an equivalent level in the field Law, Economics, Political Science, Engineering, or Information and Communication Technologies. The candidate should have at least 3 years experience in policy or legislation in the field of telecoms or digital products or services. A good level of English is also required.

**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)