

EEAS Vacancy Notice

Cost-free Seconded National Expert

EU Delegation to the United Nations in New York

AD level post

Job No 390536

We are:

The European External Action Service (EEAS) supports the High Representative in the exercise of his mandate to conduct and implement an effective and coherent EU Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP), of representing the EU and of chairing the Foreign Affairs Council. It also supports the High Representative in his capacity as Vice-President of the Commission with regard to his responsibilities within the Commission in the external relations field including the coordination of other aspects of the EU's external action. The EEAS works in close cooperation with the General Secretariat of the Council, the services of the Commission and the Secretariat General of the European Parliament.

We propose:

The position of Seconded National Expert (Political Officer) at the EU Delegation in **New York (UN)**, a "cost-free" secondment, i.e. salary, insurances, schooling and other costs to be paid by the EU MS as appropriate.

We are looking for:

The European External Action Service (EEAS) is seeking a highly motivated colleague to occupy the post of Seconded National Expert (SNE) at the EU Delegation of **New York (UN)**, in the Political and UNSC Affairs Section.

Overall purpose:

- Analysis and reporting on political developments at the United Nations, including relations with the EU and Member States
- EU coordination, including participating in EU coordination meetings.
- Promote closer EU-UN co-operation by facilitating contacts and exchange of information between the UN and the EU.

Functions and Duties:

- Participate actively in the work of the Political Section. As a member of the political section of the EU delegation, the political officer will be responsible of geographical or thematic area in particular in the context of the Security Council - Europe, Americas, as well as UNGA 4s Committee (non-Middle East issues).
- The tasks include drafting of EU statements, maintaining contacts with UN secretariat and producing reports to Headquarters.

Legal basis:

This vacancy is to be filled in accordance with EEAS Decision of the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy HR DEC (2014)01 of 04/02/2014 establishing the rules applicable to National Experts seconded to the European External Action Service.

Eligibility criteria:

Candidates must:

- a) Be drawn from public administrations in Member States, from international organisations or, only in exceptional cases and with prior authorisation from other sources;

- b) Have at least three years' full-time experience of administrative, scientific, technical, advisory or supervisory functions equivalent to those of function groups AD or AST as defined in the Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union and the Conditions of Employment of other servants of the Union¹ or, where justified in the interests of the service, professional training of an equivalent level.²
- c) Have a thorough knowledge of one Union language and a satisfactory knowledge of a second language for the performance of his/her duties.
- d) Remain in the service of the employer throughout the period of secondment and shall be paid by that employer.
- e) Remain subject to the social security legislation applicable to the public administration, international administration or entity which employs the SNE and which will assume responsibility for expenses incurred abroad. In case of posting to an EU Delegation, the employer certifies that the SNE is covered for medical expenses incurred at the place of secondment, as well as costs of repatriation on health grounds throughout the full period of secondment
- f) Ensure that there is no conflict of interest and that they will, at all times, safeguard the independence and coherence of EU foreign policy as well as the integrity and confidentiality of EU documentation, information and procedures.

Selection criteria:

Candidates should:

A. Professional knowledge

Experience of at least 3 years in the above mentioned areas at institutional level, analysis and reporting; in third countries (Embassy, International organization, NGO, etc.); Knowledge of EU institutions, related decisional processes, CFSP-CFSD, EU external action and related EU external policies (geographic and thematic); of geographic area in question and relevant regional integration processes

B. Skills

Capacity to work and communicate under time constraints in an international diplomatic and multilingual environment.

Teamwork. Coordination and communication skills. The heavy workload at the EU Delegation to the UN (in particular in the Political Section) means that good collegiality and team work skills are of particular importance.

Solid analytical capability as well as drafting and reporting skills. Rapid grasp of problems and capacity to identify issues and solutions. Ability to work in a politically and culturally sensitive environment.

C. Languages

Thorough knowledge (capacity to write and speak) in English, French and/or Spanish is required

D. Personal Qualities

Be dynamic and stress resilient. Motivated and flexible personality. Able to adapt quickly to new situations and deal with new challenges.

¹ Staff Regulations of Officials (SR) and the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union (CEOS). For reference, see: <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?qid=1570023902133&uri=CELEX:01962R0031-20190101>

Equal opportunities

The EEAS is committed to an equal opportunities policy for all its employees and applicants for employment. As an employer, the EEAS is committed to promoting gender equality and to preventing discrimination on any grounds. It actively welcomes applications from all qualified candidates from diverse backgrounds and from the broadest

possible geographical basis amongst the EU Member States. We aim at a service that is truly representative of society, where each staff member feels respected, is able to give their best and can develop their full potential.

Candidates with disabilities are invited to contact (**SNE-Delegations@eeas.europa.eu**) in order to accommodate any special needs and provide assistance to ensure the possibility to pass the selection procedure in equality of opportunities with other candidates. If a candidate with a disability is selected for a vacant post, the EEAS is committed to providing reasonable accommodation in accordance with Art 1d.4 of the Staff Regulations

Conditions of secondment

SNEs shall remain in the service of their employer throughout the period of secondment and shall continue to be paid by that employer.

Duration of the secondment: Initial period up to two years, renewable up to 4 years.

The EEAS will cover for certain security costs and missions' costs incurred by the SNE posted in the EU Delegation. Other costs such as removal costs, salary, insurance, schooling, etc. **shall not be covered by the EEAS.**

Vacant available from: 16 August 2023

For further information, please contact:

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