

COMMISSION

NOTICE OF VACANCIES

for posts of

co-financed SECONDED NATIONAL EXPERTS

in **EUROPEAN UNION DELEGATIONS outside the EU**

**Vacant posts for job profile « Economic & trade issues » (see in annex)
Postes vacants pour le profil « Affaires économiques et commerciales » (annexe)**

Delegation	N° post SYSPER2	Delegation Section	Comments
¹ IVORY COAST, Abidjan	169598	Political, Trade, Press and Information	Libre à partir de / vacant as of 16.12.2018

Indicative list which may be completed by additional posts with equivalent profiles for Delegations in the same region or for another region

Listes indicatives susceptibles d'être complétées dans des profils équivalents par des postes additionnels pour des Délégations dans les mêmes régions ou pour d'autres régions.

END/SNE – JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Framework

<u>Job Title:</u>	END/SNE – (ECO)
<u>Job Location:</u>	Delegation of the European Union to [Ivory Coast] [Abidjan]
<u>Job Number:</u>	169598
<u>Area of activity:</u>	Section [TRADE]
<u>Category:</u>	AD
<u>Duration of secondment:</u>	2 years (extension possible up to 4 years)

Job Content

Overall purpose: Contribute, under the supervision of the trade officer, to the Delegation's work on trade matters

The SNE will work under the supervision of a Commission official .Without prejudice to the principle of loyal cooperation between the national/regional and European administrations, the SNE will not work on individual cases with implications with files he/she would have had to deal with in his/her national administration in the two years preceding its entry into the Commission, or directly adjacent cases. In no case he/she shall represent the Commission in order to make commitments, financial or otherwise, or to negotiate on behalf of the Commission.

Functions and Duties:

POLICY MONITORING - Sector Reporting and Information to Head of Delegation and Headquarters

- Monitor and report - or contribute to the Delegation's various reports - regularly and in a timely fashion to Headquarters on all trade and regional integration issues, as well as in response to any specific requests.
- Liaise with the other Delegation's sections or experts dealing with Economic and Financial issues, private sector etc.
- Provide on briefing requests, draft speeches, statements, press releases and articles concerning the area assigned. Provide expert policy advice and provide input, where required, into the work of project management section on the elaboration or implementation of trade-related cooperation projects.
- Provide early warnings on potential problems and disputes with particular emphasis on market access issues.
- Contribute to the Delegation's Press and Information activities and products with respect to trade and regional integration issues.
- Liaise with the EU delegations in the region on regional trade issues or in connection to EPA negotiations and contribute to regional reporting on trade and trade related issues. Assist the Head of Section in programming and organising activities by the Delegation in connection with trade.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (generic) - Information, communication and participation in the host country/region

- Provide the necessary working relations with the relevant national authorities (Ministry of Trade and other ministries involved in trade activities, Customs service, Statistical and Standards Office, etc.), private sector representatives and professional organizations and other local operators in the field.
- Develop close working contacts with the local Member state representatives (i.e. economic and trade counsellors) and EU business community and representatives. Liaise with other regional and international organizations dealing with trade issues and/or regional integration.

- Participate in donor cooperation efforts as regards trade and regional integration analysis and policies.
- State, explain and defend the EU trade policies and EU position in all trade and WTO matters to domestic audiences particularly local and regional authorities, press, civil society, business and academics.
- Under the supervision of a Commission official prepare and participate in Economic Partnership Agreements (EPAs) or joint Economic Partnership Agreements (EPAs) committee meetings, prepare and assist in missions from Headquarters and particularly provide assistance to participants as required.
- Under the supervision of a Commission official participate in conferences, meetings and other public events on trade matters.

POLICY COORDINATION - Monitoring, Analysis and Implementation of Trade Policy

- Follow all issues regarding Economic Partnership Agreements (EPAs) implementation and impact monitoring of Economic Partnership Agreements (EPAs) at national level and where appropriate at regional level. Elaborate analysis and synthesis reports on trade and trade related issues.
- Follow other agreements pertaining to trade. Monitor the situation and track the evolution of policies in the economic and trade fields of the host country/region. Particular attention will be paid to trade flows, forecasts, legislations, fiscal policy, tax system, financial services, land ownership regime, intellectual property rights, competition, foreign investment, etc.
- Monitor the host country/region's position in on-going or planned multilateral, regional, or bilateral trade meetings(WTO/DDA, FTA, APE, etc.).
- Monitor regional integration matters in connection with trade.
- Follow up of trade relation with the host country/region and particularly issues related to access by EU exporters and investors to its market. Follow all national and regional trade policy developments and their possible impact on the trade relations with Europe.
- Promote the mainstreaming of trade and economic integration into the poverty reduction strategies of the host country/region.

Job Requirements

Education and Training: University diploma law, political science, economy, business administration or any other related issue

Knowledge and Experience: 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, JLS, EU external action and related EU external policies (geographic and thematic); of geographic area in question and relevant regional integration processes

Skills

Linguistic skills: Thorough knowledge (capacity to write and speak) in English, French and/or Spanish (depending on the duty station) is required. EN and FR are necessary to work with Commission HQ. Knowledge of the (official/working) language of the host country (or of the region) is an advantage.

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

Interpersonal skills:

Teamwork. Coordination and communication skills.

Intellectual skills:

Solid analytical capability as well as drafting and reporting skills. Rapid grasp of problems and capacity to identify issues and solutions.

Management skills:

Personal Qualities

Dynamic. Motivated and flexible personality. To adapt quickly to new situations and deal with new challenges.