

**Seconded national expert
at the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union**

**DG H, Directorate 3
Schengen evaluation**

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Description of post

A. Tasks

Working in DGH 3 of the General Secretariat of the Council in Brussels. Under the authority of the head of Unit H 3 B, working with Council officials and other SNEs, the expert will have to perform the following tasks:

- Prepare, as required, the follow-up and development of the Schengen acquis in the following areas: police cooperation, border checks, visas, data protection, Schengen Information System and its communications network;
- Take part in the planning of evaluation missions for Schengen states;
- Take part in evaluation missions and provide the secretariat for them;
- Advise the members of evaluation teams and assist them in the performance of their tasks;
- Work in close collaboration with other departments of the Council General Secretariat, with the European Commission and with the Member States;
- Contribute to the development of ideas, guidelines and recommendations for improving the planning and the conduct of evaluation missions.

B. Qualifications and experience required

- University degree or equivalent in a related area;
- Professional experience of at least eight years, four of them at least in the field of internal security in the broad sense. Experience in an international or European environment will be considered an advantage;

- Detailed knowledge of EU institutions and policies in the field of justice and home affairs, in particular as regards matters of internal security in the broad sense and areas covered by the Schengen acquis.

C. Conditions/skills required

- The ability to manage a heavy workload and work effectively as a team member;
- Good management and organisational skills;
- Flexibility and team spirit;
- A sense of initiative;
- Excellent negotiating skills in a multinational environment;
- A thorough knowledge of one Community language and a satisfactory knowledge of a second, for the performance of the duties concerned; in practice, in the interests of the department, a good command of oral and written English and French and an ability to draft in both those languages;
- National security clearance at CONFIDENTIEL UE level. Such clearance needs to be obtained from the competent authorities before secondment to the General Secretariat of the Council. The clearance must be valid for the entire period of secondment. If not, the General Secretariat reserves the right to refuse the secondment as national expert.

D. General conditions

- Candidates must be nationals of one of the Member States of the European Union and enjoy their full rights as citizens.

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