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Do you want to help shape the future of the European Union? Make the planet greener, promote a fairer society, or support businesses and innovation across the EU? Then come and work for the European Commission where you can really make a difference!

Commission staff are a diverse group of people, who are motivated to help make Europe – and the world – a better place. They come from the 27 Member States of the European Union. Different nationalities, backgrounds, languages and cultures make the Commission a vibrant and inclusive place to work.

WE OFFER GREAT JOBS AND GREAT WORKING CONDITIONS:

- Interesting and challenging jobs with plenty of opportunities for training and acquiring new skills and competencies throughout your whole career
- Opportunities to move between different policy areas throughout your career
- A package of flexible working conditions including the possibility of teleworking – we care about your work-life balance
- A competitive financial package, including comprehensive healthcare, accident and pension schemes
- A multilingual, multicultural workplace where personal and career development are strongly promoted
- Multilingual schools for your children

We recruit from a wide range of backgrounds and actively promote diversity and inclusion:

We do not only recruit political scientists and lawyers but are also looking for all kinds of profiles, including scientists, linguists, IT experts, data analysts and economists, as well as drivers and engineers.

We are committed to equal opportunities and to fostering a rich, diverse and inclusive working environment. We aim for our workforce to be representative of European society and strongly welcome applications from all qualified candidates. We actively seek to create a workplace where each staff member feels valued and respected, can give their best and can develop to their full potential.



To promote diversity and establish a geographically balanced pool of candidates, we strongly encourage applicants from Member States which are currently underrepresented in the European Commission workforce to apply. These Member States are currently Austria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, the Netherlands, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Ireland, Luxembourg, Malta, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia and Sweden¹. Recruitment will however remain strictly based on the merits of all applicants and no positions will be reserved for nationals of any specific Member State.

For more information ec.europa.eu/work-with-us

STAFF RECRUITED ON CONTRACTS

In addition to permanent officials, the European Commission offers non-permanent positions. There are two categories of non-permanent staff:

- [temporary agents](#) are recruited to fill vacant positions for a set amount of time or to perform highly specialised tasks.
- [contract agents](#) may provide additional capacity in specialised fields where an insufficient number of officials is available or carry out a number of administrative or manual tasks. They are generally recruited for fixed-term contracts (maximum 6 years in any EU Institution), but in some cases they can be offered contracts for an indefinite duration (in offices, agencies, delegations or representations).

For more information on different [staff categories](#)

¹ Please note that the list of underrepresented Member States may be subject to future amendment based on potential data changes over time.



Secretary - to the Director of Directorate B

Directorate-General for Interpretation (DG SCIC)

of the European Commission

Selection reference: **SCIC/COM/2026/329**

Domain*: **Interpretation**

Where: **Directorate-General for Interpretation - SCIC.B, Brussels**

Staff category and Function Group: **Temporary agent 2(b) – Administrative agent**

Grade range: **AST/SC 1-2**

Publication deadline: **26.03.2026 - 12.00 (Brussels time)**

WE ARE

The Directorate-General for Interpretation (DG SCIC) is the European Commission's interpreting service and domain leader for meeting room management and conference organisation. Every day, our talented and dedicated teams bring their diverse skills, knowledge, and experience to our shared mission of facilitating the EU's democratic multilingual decision-making process and supporting the well-functioning of meetings and conferences in the Commission.

Directorate B, responsible for the Interpretation Services Management and Professional Support, manages the provision of high-quality interpretation services in meetings organised by the Commission, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee, the Committee of the Regions and other customers by:

- supporting the professional development of DG SCIC interpreters, and training of future conference interpreters up to the standards required by the EU institutions;
- programming meetings, recruiting, and assigning the necessary interpreting resources and, within the context of resource constraints, providing an efficient service to satisfy customers' needs, whilst respecting the principles of sound financial management and cost efficiency;
- ensuring customer interface for meetings with interpretation, focusing on DG SCIC-wide guidance and coordination of activities for meetings with new delivery modes, as well as on provision of meeting documentation and relevant terminology to interpreters;
- providing efficient management of interinstitutional freelance interpretation resources (Conference Interpreting Agents), including the organisation of interinstitutional accreditation tests and language-adding tests for accredited ACIs.



WE PROPOSE

SCIC.B is seeking to hire a Secretary to the Director.

The successful candidate will provide secretarial and logistical support to the Director and his Policy Assistant and be responsible for the organisational aspects and the coordination of the administrative work of the Directorate, thereby helping to ensure an efficient management and delivery of outputs.

In particular, the position involves:

- Daily assisting the Director by taking care of his front office: managing his schedule, his calls and mailbox, as well as arranging appointments and organising meetings, preparing electronic documents files for those meetings and receiving visitors;
- Preparing e-mails and routine correspondence and keeping track of deadlines;
- Coordinating the document management for the Directorate, in close cooperation with the units' secretariats, assuring formal quality of documents presented for signature and archiving using the Commission IT-tools;
- In cooperation with the policy assistant, following up on ongoing tasks and projects of the Directorate and units;
- Preparing, editing and compiling minutes, speeches, notes and presentations;
- Ensuring frequent contacts with the units, other directorates and DGs secretariat for the smooth running of the Directorate;
- Providing guidance to the secretariats of the four units and finding ways to streamline their work;
- Providing staff and management with support and information on administrative rules and procedures;
- Carrying out administrative tasks such as planning and recording absences of the Director and his staff;
- Organising and following up on the Director's missions.

WE LOOK FOR

We are looking for a motivated colleague with good communication skills, sense of initiative, flexibility and enthusiasm who will fit well into the team. S/he must also be able to easily analyse and solve problems, have outstanding organisational skills, ability to set priorities and meet deadlines. S/he should show both team spirit and the necessary discretion to deal with confidential matters. The candidate should have a good knowledge of basic IT tools (Outlook, Word, Excel, and PowerPoint), as well as the ability to rapidly learn the Commission's administrative procedures and internal tools. These include electronic systems related to the official document registration and management (ARES), internal human resources (SYSPER), Mission Information Processing (MIPS), and the management and issuance of passes or permits for various purposes (e-Pass). S/he should be fluent in English (written and spoken).



HOW TO EXPRESS YOUR INTEREST?

You should send your documents in a single pdf in the following order:

1. your CV
2. completed application form.

Please send these documents by the publication deadline to Argyro.PACHAKI@ec.europa.eu indicating the selection reference SCIC/COM/2026/329 in the subject.

No applications will be accepted after the publication deadline.



ANNEX

1. Selection

➤ Am I eligible to apply?

You must meet the following eligibility criteria when you validate your application:

Our rules provide that you can only be recruited as a temporary agent at the European Commission if you:

General criteria:

- Are a citizen of a Member State of the EU and enjoy full rights as a citizen
- Have fulfilled any obligations imposed by applicable laws concerning military service
- Are physically fit to perform the duties linked to the post
- Produce the appropriate character references as to suitability for the performance of the duties.

Qualifications:

In order to be recruited for this position, you must have at least

- a level of post-secondary education attested by a diploma, or
- a level of secondary education attested by a diploma giving access to post-secondary education, and appropriate professional experience of at least three years.

Only qualifications issued or recognised as equivalent by EU Member State authorities (e.g. by the Ministry of Education) will be accepted. Furthermore, before recruitment, you will be required to provide the documents that corroborate the eligibility criteria (diplomas, certificates and other supporting documents).

Languages:

- have a thorough knowledge (minimum level C1) of one of the 24 official languages of the EU²
- AND a satisfactory knowledge (minimum level B2) of a second official language of the EU, to the extent necessary for the performance of the duties.

² The official languages of the European Union are: BG (Bulgarian), CS (Czech), DA (Danish), DE (German), EL (Greek), EN (English), ES (Spanish), ET (Estonian), FI (Finnish), FR (French), GA (Irish), HR (Croatian), HU (Hungarian), IT (Italian), LT (Lithuanian), LV (Latvian), MT (Maltese), NL (Dutch), PL (Polish), PT (Portuguese), RO (Romanian), SK (Slovak), SL (Slovenian), SV (Swedish).



➤ **What about the selection steps?**

The post was published internally within the Commission, inter-institutionally, and brought to the attention of competition laureates.

In accordance with Article 29 of the Staff Regulations, applications from Commission officials, officials from other Institutions, and laureates of competitions have priority³. If these candidates do not best fit the requirements for the position, the Commission can recruit a temporary agent.

For temporary agents under Article 2(a) of the [Conditions of Employment of Other Servants](#), the post is published directly on the EPSO website, without mandatory prior internal publication.

A selection panel will choose a limited number of candidates for interview, based on the CV and application form that they submitted. Due to the large volume of applications, we may receive, **only candidates selected for the next step of the selection phase will be notified.**

For operational reasons and in order to complete the selection procedure as quickly as possible in the interest of the candidates and of the institution, the selection procedure will be carried out in English and possibly in another language.

2. Recruitment

The candidate selected for recruitment will be requested to supply documentary evidence in support of the statements made in their application.

The successful candidate will be required to undergo a mandatory pre-recruitment medical check-up, carried out by the Commission.

➤ **Type of contract and working conditions**

The place of employment will be **Brussels**.

In case the successful candidate is not an official or a competition laureate, they will be recruited as a **temporary agent under Article 2(b) of the [Conditions of Employment of Other Servants](#), in function group AST/SC.**

³ Officials from the Commission or other Institutions are invited to use the standard channels (Sysper or inter-institutional vacancy portal).



➤ **Grade**

The recruitment grade, as well as the step in that grade, will be determined in accordance with [Commission Decision C\(2025\)4716](#) on policies for the engagement and use of temporary agents and with [Commission Decision C\(2013\)8970](#) laying down the criteria applicable to classification in step on engagement.

The recruitment grade will be calculated based on the qualifications and the number of years of professional experience, according to Art. 13 of the Commission Decision C(2025)4716. Higher grades may be granted exceptionally.

The duration of the **1st contract will be up to 4 years**. The contract might then be extended only once for a maximum of 2 years and in the interest of service, in accordance with [Commission Decision C\(2025\)4716](#) on policies for the engagement and use of temporary agents.

All new staff have to successfully complete a 9-month probationary period.

The pay of staff members consists of a basic salary supplemented with specific allowances, including, where applicable, expatriation and family allowances. The provisions guiding the calculation of these allowances can be consulted in the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants. As a member of staff of the European institutions, your pay is subject to a tax raised by those institutions.

The European Commission applies a policy of equal opportunities and non-discrimination in accordance with Article 1d of the Staff Regulations.

Should you need further information on working conditions, please refer to [Working conditions and benefits of EU Careers](#).

For information related to Data Protection, please see the [Specific Privacy Statement](#) under “7. Information to data subjects on their rights”, to find your rights and how to exercise them in addition to the privacy statement, which summarises the processing of your data.