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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, the Czech Republic, Denmark, the Netherlands, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Ireland, Latvia, Luxembourg, Malta, Poland, 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.



Legal and Policy Officer – Capital movements

Directorate-General FISMA E4 of the European Commission

Selection reference: COM/2026/1778

Domain*: LAW MONITORING and IMPLEMENTATION

Where: Unit E4 – Brussels

Staff category and Function Group: Temporary agent 2b – Administrator

Grade range: AD5 – AD7

Publication deadline: 02/10/2026 - 12.00 (Brussels time)

WE ARE

The Directorate-General for Financial Stability, Financial Services and Capital Markets Union (DG FISMA) is responsible for developing stable, well-functioning and globally competitive financial markets in the interest of businesses and consumers, thereby promoting growth and job creation. Directorate E “Financial Stability, Sanctions and Enforcement” contributes to these objectives by safeguarding financial stability and market integrity, ensuring the effective enforcement of EU financial services legislation, promoting Europe’s economic security, and leading the Commission’s work on EU sanctions.

Unit FISMA.E.4 “Free Movement of Capital and Application of EU Law” monitors and enforces the free movement of capital within the EU and between the EU and third countries. It addresses unjustified barriers to cross-border capital flows, including through infringement procedures, and contributes to policy initiatives aimed at facilitating cross-border investment. The unit also participates in enlargement negotiations with candidate countries in the area of free movement of capital and monitors their progress towards alignment with the EU acquis.

In addition, the unit coordinates DG FISMA’s enforcement activities to help ensure that EU financial services legislation is correctly implemented and effectively enforced by Member States. This work supports the effective application of EU rules in practice, contributing to financial stability, market integrity, investor protection and the resilience of the EU financial system.

The unit is composed of 14 staff members and is based in Brussels.

WE PROPOSE

The Unit is recruiting a Legal and Policy Officer to contribute to actions aimed at safeguarding the free movement of capital, strengthening investment protection across the Union, and supporting policy initiatives facilitating cross-border investment. The successful candidate will contribute to legal and policy work across a broad range of activities related to the implementation and enforcement of financial services legislation, the application of EU fundamental freedoms and the removal of barriers to the Single Market. The role offers the opportunity to work on complex legal and policy issues with a direct impact on the functioning of the Single Market and the EU investment framework.



The vacancy offers a position with the following responsibilities:

- assess national measures affecting EU fundamental freedoms, in particular the free movement of capital, and their impact on the Single Market;
- prepare enforcement actions to address unjustified restrictions to EU fundamental freedoms and provide legal advice to other FISMA units on cross-cutting issues in financial services;
- contribute to initiatives aimed at strengthening investment protection in the EU, including by addressing rule of law issues affecting cross-border investments;
- provide legal and policy input on capital movements and investment issues in negotiations with third countries and in the context of free trade and investment agreements.

WE LOOK FOR

We are looking for a motivated, proactive and dynamic team player with a high sense of responsibility, excellent analytical, drafting and critical thinking skills. A solid legal background, a sound understanding of EU internal market law, including the free movement of capital, and financial services law, as well as the ability to analyse complex legal and policy issues, are essential. Experience or knowledge of investment-related aspects of EU law or international investment law, experience working on legal or policy issues involving third countries, and familiarity with the Commission's enforcement policy would be an asset.

A proven ability to communicate and coordinate effectively with other Commission services, Member States, international organisations and external stakeholders is essential. The successful candidate should demonstrate excellent drafting, communication and interpersonal skills in English.



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 FISMA-E4-RECRUITMENTS@ec.europa.eu indicating the selection reference FISMA/COM/2026/1778 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 education which corresponds to completed university studies of at least 3 years attested by a diploma.

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.

➤ What about the selection steps?

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

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).



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/French 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 AD.

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](#).

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