

Call for Expression of Interest for Seconded National Experts

Legal expert in prosecution of financial crimes

EPPO/2025/SNE/001

Position (business title):	Legal Expert in prosecution of financial crimes
Status:	Seconded National Expert (SNE)
Location:	Luxembourg, LUXEMBOURG
Closing date for applications:	31 March 2025 – 23:59 (CET) <u>12 May 2025 – 23:59 (CET)¹</u>

The EPPO

Under the leadership of the European Chief Prosecutor (ECP), the European Public **Prosecutor's Office (the EPPO) is the first independent** prosecution office of the European Union. The EPPO is responsible for carrying out investigations and prosecutions of crimes affecting the Union budget in 24 EU Member States as one of the European Union **Institutions and Bodies delivering the European Union's Justice System**. It became operational on 1 June 2021.

The working language of the EPPO is English.

National Officials' secondment to the EPPO

To build on competences of national administrations and contribute to a smooth cooperation between the central and decentralised components of its organisational model, the EPPO is seeking skilled individuals, employed in the EU **Member States' judicial** and investigative national, regional or local public administration, available to be seconded to the EPPO for fixed-term secondments under the status of Seconded National Experts (SNE).²

Applicants should be legal experts in the prosecution of financial crimes.

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² College Decision No 102/2021 of 20 October 2021 laying down rules on the secondment to the European Public Prosecutor's Office ('EPPO') of National Experts.

The most competent candidates will be placed on a reserve list, which the EPPO draws from as specific needs for expertise and knowledge arise.

SNEs functionally report to the European Chief Prosecutor and are assigned specific tasks during their period of secondment under the supervision of the Head of the respective functional area.

Duties and Accountabilities

The selected candidate, under the authority of the European Chief Prosecutor in accordance with Article 98 of the EPPO Regulation, would be tasked with:

- giving legal and operational support to prosecutorial activities of the EPPO, specifically providing legal advice and opinions to the Permanent Chambers in their directing and monitoring role, to the European Prosecutors in their supervising role, and to the European Delegated Prosecutors responsible for the investigations and prosecutions assigned to them;
- supporting the European Prosecutors and the European Delegated Prosecutors in their operational and investigative activity, liaising with the prosecutorial and judicial functions of the Member States in the process of consultation, exchange of information, possible coordination and other interactions in accordance with the EPPO Regulation and the legislation of the Member States;
- identifying and assessing possible issues at legal and operational level and drafting legal opinions, best practices, procedures, rules, decisions and other legal instruments in support of the activity of the Permanent Chambers, of the European Prosecutors and of the European Delegated Prosecutors;
- undertaking other tasks assigned by European Chief Prosecutor or by the supervising person delegated by him/her.

Eligibility and selection requirements

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants will be considered eligible for the selection based on the following formal criteria to be fulfilled by the deadline for applications:

- to be a national of one of the EU Member States and enjoy the full rights as a citizen;
- to have a satisfactory knowledge of the working language of the EPPO and thorough knowledge of the EU Member States of origin' **language** to the extent necessary for the performance of the duties;

- to be employed by a public administration of a Member State in accordance with Article 2(1) of the EPPO Regulation – all public services of the Member States of the European Union at central, federal and regional level, including government, prosecution, parliamentary and judicial services, the national courts, central banks, as well as the decentralised administrative services of the State and of such authorities;
- to have at least 3 (three) years full-time experience of administrative, judicial, legal, scientific, technical, advisory or supervisory functions;
- to have worked for his/her employer on a permanent or contractual basis for at least 12 (twelve) months before the secondment and to remain in service of the employer throughout the period of secondment.

Applicants who meet the eligibility criteria will be assessed against the following selection criteria:

All essential criteria are mandatory, meaning that no application will be assessed further if a candidate does not fulfil at least one of the essential criteria.

You must provide specific examples of how you meet both the essential and advantageous requirements in the application form.

Essential criteria

- experience in handling complex financial crime cases in the Member State of origin, including, but not limited to organised crime, corruption related offences, fraud against public institutions, cross-border VAT fraud, smuggling of goods;
- knowledge of the national criminal legal framework of the Member State of origin;
- knowledge of the EPPO Regulation and of the PIF Directive;
- knowledge of the EU legal framework in criminal matters;
- ability to establish and maintain effective and constructive working relationships with people of different national and/or cultural backgrounds with respect for diversity;
- satisfactory knowledge of English, both written and spoken, as English is the working language of the EPPO. English will be used during the selection process.

Advantageous criteria

- experience in managing or conducting cross-border investigations;
- experience in the area of judicial cooperation in criminal matters.

Interpersonal competencies

- pro-active, highly flexible and dynamic working attitude, high sense of initiative, responsibility, discretion and confidentiality;
- critical and creative thinking and excellent analytical and problem-solving skills, attention to detail;
- strong interpersonal and negotiation skills;
- ability to prioritise and to organise activities/tasks/resources to deliver on several projects in parallel;
- ability to work independently and as a part of a team, in a multi-cultural environment.

Applicants are invited to read the ANNEX that represents an integral part of this Call for Expression of Interest and provides information on how to complete the application, the steps of the selection process and appeal procedures.