

VACANCY NOTICE

Project Manager for Future Copernicus Sentinel Missions

EUMETSAT is Europe's meteorological satellite agency. Its role is to establish and operate meteorological satellites to monitor the weather and climate from space - 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. This information is supplied to the National Meteorological Services of the organisation's Member and Cooperating States in Europe, as well as other users worldwide.

EUMETSAT also operates several Copernicus missions on behalf of the European Union and provide data services to the Copernicus marine and atmospheric services and their users.

As an intergovernmental European Organisation, EUMETSAT has 30 Member States (Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey and the United Kingdom).

EUMETSAT is now inviting well qualified candidates from its Member States to apply for the following post:

POST: Project Manager for Future Copernicus Sentinel Missions

LOCATION: Darmstadt, Germany

**DURATION
OF INITIAL
CONTRACT:**

The initial contract will be of 4 years' duration, with subsequent 5 year contracts being awarded thereafter, subject to individual performance and organisation requirements. There is no limit to the amount of follow-up contracts a staff member can receive up to the EUMETSAT retirement age of 63 and there are certainly opportunities to establish a long career perspective at EUMETSAT.

BACKGROUND: EUMETSAT is currently involved in the development and operations of the Copernicus Sentinel 3, 4, 5 and 6 missions in cooperation with ESA and is preparing its contribution to future Copernicus Low Earth Orbit missions fulfilling user requirements established by the European Commission, focusing on the CO₂ monitoring mission.

Reporting to the head of the LEO Division, the Project Manager for future Copernicus Sentinel missions will manage EUMETSAT's contributions to the development of future Copernicus missions in cooperation with ESA.

DUTIES:

The main duties will be as follows:

- Establish and lead a cross-departmental project team in charge of preparing EUMETSAT's contributions to the Copernicus CO₂ monitoring mission in cooperation with ESA;
- Contribute, in cooperation with ESA, to the definition and assessment of requirements for Copernicus CO₂ monitoring at mission, system and ground segment levels and the definition of interface requirements etc.);
- For the sake of efficiency, ensure that the system design and implementation take advantage of infrastructure, ground systems, and knowledge available at EUMETSAT;
- Manage the contribution of the EUMETSAT project to the CO₂ monitoring mission phase A/B1 studies:
 - Manage project interfaces and cooperation with ESA;
 - Establish project breakdown structures and plans for EUMETSAT's contribution;
 - Plan, prepare and implement EUMETSAT procurements (studies, engineering support, pre-development etc.) or support ESA procurements of relevance to EUMETSAT;
 - Develop and maintain a schedule of EUMETSAT activities;
 - Supervise all project activities and track progress based on indicators;
 - Establish and maintain a risk register for EUMETSAT activities and plan mitigation actions.
- Manage the preparations for EUMETSAT's contributions to phase B2/C/D/E1;
 - Establish project breakdown structures, management and lower level plans for phase B2/C/D/E1;
 - Assess and plan internal and external resources required for EUMETSAT's contribution;
 - Estimate cost at completion including the routine operations phases;
 - Prepare proposals to the EUMETSAT Council for the contributions of EUMETSAT to future Copernicus missions in cooperation with ESA;
 - Plan, prepare and implement EUMETSAT procurements and support to ESA procurements of relevance to EUMETSAT's contribution;
 - Establish cross departmental project team.
- Manage EUMETSAT's contributions to phase B2 of the CO₂ monitoring mission;
- Supervise the definition of EUMETSAT's contributions to the design of processing systems for the extraction of global ocean and atmospheric products from relevant Sentinel missions under phase A/B1 study by ESA;

- Support interactions with the European Commission in relation to above-mentioned activities;
- Provide reporting to EUMETSAT Senior Management and Delegate Bodies.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- University degree in Engineering or equivalent.

SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE:

- Proven experience in the development of satellite systems (space and ground segment), preferably Earth Observation systems, including successful experience in project and/or programme management;
- Proven ability to plan and manage complex development projects;
- Strong interpersonal, influencing and communications skills combined with people management experience.

The official languages of EUMETSAT are English and French. Candidates must be able to work effectively in English and have some knowledge of French.

CLOSING DATE: 7 May 2018

Interviews are tentatively scheduled for week 24/2018.

Applications in English or French should be sent via our online form (attaching curriculum vitae and covering letter quoting Reference VN(18)20) at

www.eumetsat.int

This post is graded A3/A4 on the EUMETSAT salary scales. The minimum basic salary for this post is EURO 6,717.63 per month (net of internal tax) which may be negotiable on the basis of skills and experience. The salary scale provides for increments on the anniversary of taking up employment, and scales are reviewed by the EUMETSAT Council with effect from 1 January each year. In addition to basic salary, EUMETSAT offers attractive benefits. Further information, including salary details, is available on the EUMETSAT web site.

EUMETSAT is committed to providing an equal opportunities work environment for men and women.

Please note that only nationals of EUMETSAT Member States may apply. The EUMETSAT Convention requires that Staff shall be recruited on the basis of their qualifications, account being taken of the international character of EUMETSAT. EUMETSAT does not operate a nationality quota system but, in recruiting Staff members, the geographical distribution will be taken into account.