

VACANCY NOTICE

Communication and Network Security Engineer

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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.

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

POST: Communication and Network Security Engineer

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. There are certainly opportunities to establish a long career perspective at EUMETSAT.

BACKGROUND: Within the Communications Systems Competence Area (COMMS CA) of the Generic Systems and Infrastructure Division (GSI), the Communication and Network Security Engineer is responsible for leading a team of engineers and for delivering communications network services to internal and external customers in a matrix support environment.

DUTIES: The main duties will be as follows:

- Leading a team of network engineers, developing and maintaining the skill-base within the team, with emphasis on providing up-to-date network security skills;
- Delivering operationally secure network services, including the provision of monitoring and reporting services along with providing network security policy and design support across the organisation;
- Leading and coordinating the maintenance activities, ensuring the continued availability of communications infrastructures and services to the operational systems;
- Managing and coordinating relevant Service Level Agreements;
- Planning and implementing enhancements to operational communications systems, via design solutions which secure their operational security and maintainability, with the goal of maximising synergies and consistency across the systems;
- Playing an active role in introducing new systems into operations with adequate level of documentation and testing;
- Technical responsibility for maintenance and support contracts with industry, participating in the procurement activities and maintaining up-to-date competency with the best practices of the communications systems industry.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- University degree (or equivalent) in a relevant discipline;
- Current ITIL qualification (or equivalent evidence of operational service delivery process qualification).

SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE:

- Proven experience in developing and maintaining large scale networks and high-availability communications systems in an operational environment.
- Recent direct experience with virtual network environments, and their integration with physical network environments from both technical and management perspective.
- Recent experience leading a network operations centre or telecommunication operations service;
- Experience of team leadership, including management of performance and maintenance of key skills and knowledge;
- Strong communication and interpersonal skills with a pro-active attitude and ability to work autonomously with a minimum of supervision under high workload.

Demonstrated experience in the following technical domains is also required:

- Network security systems, processes and protocols;
- Network and routing communications protocols, incl. NAT, VLANs, VRFs, etc., backbone-interconnecting network technologies (e.g. MPLS, SD-WAN) and network management protocols;
- Network performance monitoring and reporting systems in support to service level agreements, contract management and service provision to customers;
- High-availability Data Centre Networks.

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: 02 May 2018

Interviews are tentatively scheduled for week 23/2018.

Applications in English or French should be sent via our online form (attaching curriculum vitae and covering letter quoting Reference VN(18)23) at:

www.eumetsat.int

This post is graded A2/A4 on the EUMETSAT salary scales. The minimum basic salary for this post is EURO 5,443.81 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.