

VACANCY NOTICE

System Engineer for Third Party Data Services

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: System Engineer for Third Party Data Services

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: Within the Additional Data Services Competence Area (ADS CA) of the System Engineer and Projects Division (SEP), the System Engineer for Third Party Data Services will be responsible for the ground systems required for the acquisition and processing of third party data and the delivery of third party data services to EUMETSAT users, including contributions to relevant engineering activities such as communications and network solutions, data processing and mission data acquisition at X/L-Band stations.

DUTIES:

The main duties will be as follows:

- Manage and coordinate the design, implementation, testing and validation of systems required for the acquisition of third party data from EUMETSAT partners and for the delivery third party data services to EUMETSAT users;
- Support the implementation and testing of communications networks, mission data acquisition services from X/L-Band stations and data processing systems used for the delivery of third party data services, including data processing packages provided by international partners
- Ensure the maintainability of data processing packages delivered to EUMETSAT by international partners and their ease of use by relevant EUMETSAT entities and users;
- Initiate, manage and monitor external procurements and industrial contracts as required, including external services;
- Support the maintenance and evolution of existing third party data services, whilst ensuring overall coherence across supporting systems;
- Contribute to the implementation of change control and baseline management processes;
- Support interactions with international partner agencies providing third party data and European entities involved in their acquisition (for example National Meteorological Services or SAF entities).

QUALIFICATIONS:

- University degree (or equivalent) in a relevant engineering discipline.

SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE:

- Proven experience of development of ground systems, preferably software-intensive, near-real time systems, following recognized engineering and management standards, from requirement-based design, to implementation and V&V;
- Proven experience in ground segment engineering in an operational environment;
- Demonstrated experience in the coordination with different teams, partners and service providers in a project environment, with ability to adapt priorities and schedule as necessary;
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills with proven ability to apply these within a team environment;
- Experience of operating within a matrix environment with multiple internal and external interfaces;

- Knowledge of software used for local processing of data directly broadcast by meteorological satellites to X/L Band stations would be an advantage.

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: 29 August 2018

Interviews are tentatively scheduled for week 44/2018.

Applications in English or French should be sent via our online form (attaching curriculum vitae and covering letter quoting Reference VN(18)50) at

www.eumetsat.int

This post is graded A2/A4 on the EUMETSAT salary scales. The minimum basic salary for this post is EURO 5,612 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.