

## VACANCY NOTICE

### Computer Systems Engineer – Linux

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 provides 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:** Computer Systems Engineer - Linux

**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 Computer and Storage Management (CSM) Competence Area of the Generic Systems and Infrastructure (GSI) Division, the Computer Systems Engineer is responsible for the design, setup, maintenance and evolution the EUMETSAT ground segments computer systems and support to their operations.

This includes the management of procurements of Operating Systems (OS) and Commercial-Off-The-Shelf (COTS) software and hardware and the related maintenance contracts.

**DUTIES:** The main duties will be as follows:

- Provide engineering support and maintenance to the operational computer systems for EUMETSAT and Copernicus missions with respect to hardware, OS and COTS software. This involves related Change Management, Configuration Control and Anomaly/Non-conformance processes;
- Perform definition, integration and preparation of new computer systems supporting the EUMETSAT ground segments;
- Design the architectural evolutions and manage the upgrade activities of computer systems infrastructure, either in-house or via industrial contracts;
- Manage relevant procurements such as hardware, COTS software, maintenance services and technology studies;
- Deputise for the Computing Services Team Leader as needed.

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

- University degree in a relevant discipline, i.e. computer science, or equivalent.

**SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE:**

- Proven experience in maintaining large scale computer systems in operational, high-availability and/or time critical environments;
- Knowledge and experience in the following fields are mandatory:
  - Computer operating systems: deep knowledge of Linux and good command of UNIX and Windows;
  - Computer fail-over mechanisms and clustering;
  - Virtualisation technologies with expertise of VMware;
  - Provision of computing services following ITIL best practices;
  - Cloud computing, IT architectures, IT Security, computer hardware;
  - Infrastructure services (monitoring, central authentication, etc.) and components (storage, network);
  - Management of hardware and software maintenance contracts.
- Maturity and resilience, with excellent organisational and time management capabilities;
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills, combined with a proven ability to apply these to working within, and across teams.

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

**CLOSING DATE: 08 October 2018**

Interviews are tentatively scheduled for week 46.

**Applications in English or French should be sent via our online form (attaching curriculum vitae and covering letter quoting Reference VN (18)60) at**

**[www.eumetsat.int](http://www.eumetsat.int)**

This post is graded A2/A4 on the EUMETSAT salary scales. The minimum basic salary for this post is EURO 5612 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.**