

VN 26/43 Data Processing Systems Engineering Team Leader

The post holder will be a member of the Data Processing Systems & Applications Competence Area within the Satellite System Ground Segments (SGS) Division.

In support to both Operations & Services to Users (OPS) and Programme Preparation & Development (PRD) departments, the post holder is responsible for the management of activities related to the development of new data processing systems or major evolutions of existing operational data processing systems, applications and services.

The post holder manages and coordinates activities and leads teams of talented engineers. The incumbent has an overview of all upcoming new missions and is responsible for ensuring that efficient and harmonised design and engineering solutions across those different missions are applied.

Duties

- Manage a portfolio of projects, products and activities for the definition and development of Data Processing Systems and Application elements for new missions;
- Coordinate and manage teams of staff members and contracted support;
- Liaise with stakeholders of new missions about new data processing system designs aligned with the EUMETSAT strategy;
- Support all activities related to the promotion and re-use of generic and cost-efficient solutions for existing and future
- Lead and coordinate the elicitation and maintenance of requirements and specifications for existing or new Data Processing systems and products and their upgrades, including participation in the relevant decision bodies;
- Contribute to procurements of data processing systems and subsequently lead their development, either of new ones or under major evolution; including planned evolution of existing data processing products/applications;
- Support the Data



LOCATION

Darmstadt,
Germany



QUALIFICATIONS

University degree
(or equivalent) in a
relevant discipline.



LANGUAGES

Candidates must be
able to work
effectively in
English and have
some knowledge of
French.



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requirements and conduct studies in areas relevant to operations preparation functions and systems and their evolutions;

- Coordinate procurements of industrial support covering development activities and necessary engineering services;

Processing Systems & Applications Competence Area Manager in defining long term plans and roadmaps to harmonise engineering, maintenance and evolutions of Data Processing Systems and Applications across all satellite systems exploited by EUMETSAT.

Skills and Experience

- Demonstrated professional experience in specification, design and development of data processing systems and applications with a high level of involvement in both project management and technical management;
- Demonstrated ability to lead and coordinate engineering teams, including project management and development of key competences;
- Proven experience in the procurement and management of industrial contracts for software application development and engineering support services;
- End-to-end Data Processing Systems and application development lifecycle covering phases from specification to maintenance and operations (e.g. requirements engineering, design, development, integration, testing and operation);
- CCSDS and ECSS standards relevant to the payload data processing domain;
- Strong planning, analysis and presentation skills, coupled with a high degree of interpersonal awareness and experience working as part of team.

Employment Conditions

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.

This post is graded A2/A4 on the EUMETSAT salary scales. The minimum basic salary for this post is EURO 7,553 per month (net of internal tax but excluding pension contribution and insurances) 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.

About EUMETSAT

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 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.)

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