

NATIONAL EXPERT SECONDED TO EMSA

MARITIME SUPPORT SERVICES OPERATOR WITH IT BACKGROUND

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The European Parliament and Council Regulation (EC) No 1406/2002¹ provides the legal basis for the establishment of the European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA).

The goal of the Agency is to provide technical and scientific assistance to the European Commission and Member States on matters relating to the proper implementation of European Union legislation on maritime safety and pollution by ships. To do this, one of EMSA's tasks is to improve cooperation between Member States in all key areas. This includes undertaking a range of actions aimed at improving safety on tankers and passenger ships, as well as bulk carriers, container ships and fishing vessels.

In addition to its initial safety and pollution related work, in April 2004, EMSA was also given additional tasks by the European Council and the European Parliament related to oil pollution response, ship security and training of seafarers.

In the field of traffic monitoring the Agency has the responsibility for the technical management of SafeSeaNet (European traffic monitoring system) and for the European Union LRIT Data Centre. The Council (European Council of Transport Ministers) adopted on 2nd of October 2007 a Resolution concerning the establishment of a European Union Long Range Identification and Tracking (LRIT) Data Centre, to be managed by the European Commission through the European Maritime Safety Agency.

The tasks will be carried out on a continuous basis (24/7). The nature of the work will require shift work (operating on a rota system) outside normal office hours, including weekends and holidays.

EMSA invites you to send your application for a Seconded National Expert as Maritime Support Services Operator. This position will be attached to Unit C.2, Vessel Traffic and Reporting Services.

More information about the Agency and its structure and activities can be found on our website: <http://www.emsa.europa.eu>

¹ OJ L 208, 5.8.2002, p.1, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1644/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 July 2003 (OJ L 245, 29.9.2003, p. 10) and Regulation (EC) No 724/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 31 March 2004 (OJ L 129, 29.4.2004, p. 1).

Conditions of Employment:

This vacancy notice concerns a Seconded National Expert position. Rules applicable to National Experts seconded to EMSA can be found on the following link: <http://www.emsa.europa.eu/end179d006d003.html>

Please read carefully these rules before applying.

The initial duration of the secondment is one year with possibility for extension.

The place of employment is Lisbon, Portugal.

Functions and Duties:

The tasks of the Maritime Support Services are:

- Monitoring system performance of SafeSeaNet and the EU LRIT DC and CleanSeaNet;
- Checking the quality of data of SafeSeaNet, the EU LRIT DC and CleanSeaNet;
- Ensuring the operational Helpdesk for end-users in Member States and other participating countries of SafeSeaNet, the EU LRIT DC and CleanSeaNet;
- Activating emergency services of the Agency (Oil pollution recovery vessels, CleanSeaNet, experts) following the procedures of the contingency plan of the Agency;
- Other tasks relating to systems/applications under development included at a later stage.

Under the responsibility of the MSS coordinator and the Deputy Head of Unit C.2, Vessel Traffic and Reporting Services, the successful candidat, among these tasks will, during the shift, in particular be responsible for:

- Monitoring and reporting on the system availability, including communication links;
- Providing first level IT helpdesk;
- First diagnosis in case of IT failure;
- Monitoring and reporting on the availability of data in systems (including tracking of data flow);
- Statistical reporting on the use of the systems;
- Monitoring, troubleshooting and reporting on availability of MSS ICT infrastructure;
- Other, as required.

The job holder will also perform, on request of the Head of Unit, any other task necessary to support the unit's mandate.

Main skills and qualifications:

- University degree or equivalent qualification or professional experience;
- At least 3 years of professional experience acquired after the award of the required qualification. When no university degree or equivalent qualification has been acquired, 7 years of experience is required of which 3 must be relevant to the post;
- Very good level of written and spoken English;
- General Knowledge of vessel traffic monitoring and reporting systems, VTS, AIS, SafeSeaNet, Long Range Identification and Tracking and the legal basis; pollution response;
- Experience on monitoring systems' performance and knowledge of data quality rules and checks;
- Very good communication, presentation and reporting skills.

Submission of applications:

Each application shall contain the following documents:

a) A detailed curriculum vitae in European format (that can be obtained at the following address

<http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/europass/home/vernav/Europasss+Documents/Europass+CV/navigate.action>

or downloaded from our site).

b) A duly completed and signed declaration of honour (which can be as well downloaded from our site).

The Permanent Representation must send your application to EMSA, at the following email address before the deadline: Recruitment@EMSA.europa.eu

EMSA will only take into account applications received before the deadline which is **25th August 2011 at 17 hours (Lisbon time)**. Please liaise with your Permanent Representation to ensure that your application reaches it well on time.