

NATIONAL EXPERTS IN PROFESSIONAL TRAINING NOTICE
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The European Parliament and Council Regulation (EC) No 1406/2002^[1], as amended, provides the legal basis for the establishment of the European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA).

The European Maritime Safety Agency is one of the European Union's decentralised agencies. Based in Lisbon, the Agency provides technical, operational and scientific assistance to the European Commission and Member States in the fields of maritime safety, maritime security, prevention of, and response to, pollution caused by ships as well as response to marine pollution caused by oil and gas installations. The Agency also contributes to the overall efficiency of maritime traffic and maritime transport.

Detailed information related to the activities and structure of the European Maritime Safety Agency can be found by visiting the EMSA website at <http://www.emsa.europa.eu>

The European Maritime Safety Agency offers a National Experts in Professional Training (NEPTs hereinafter) programme for a period of at least 3 months and at most 5 months. More information regarding the definition of a NEPT, as well as general provisions can be found in Article 23 of the **Decision of the Administrative Board of 20 November 2009 laying down the rules on secondment to EMSA of National Experts and National experts in Professional Training**. This Decision also contains other relevant information regarding the NEPT programme. From the publication of this call, EMSA envisages to select five NEPTs. The starting date of the professional training last between three and five months and is foreseen to take place from **1 or 16 April 2016**.

The purpose of the professional training programme is:

- to provide NEPTs with experience of EMSA's working methods with regard to Marine Pollution Response, Vessel Traffic Information Systems and EU Maritime Safety Legislation;
- to enable them to gain practical experience and understanding of the day-to-day work of EMSA and to give them the opportunity to work in a multicultural environment;
- to enable staff from the National Administrations to put into practice the knowledge they acquired in their studies, particularly in their respective areas of responsibility.

Please note that NEPTs shall continue to be paid by their employer without any financial compensation from EMSA.

Interested candidates should apply as follows:

^[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), as amended by Regulation (EU) No 100/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 January 2013 (OJ L 39/30, 09.02.2013, p.30-40).

- The application form must be sent by the candidate to the Permanent Representation or, as the case may be, the EFTA Secretariat, administrations of non-member countries or international governmental organizations by the deadline of **18 February 2016**;
- Applications shall then be forwarded by the Permanent Representations or, as the case may be, the EFTA Secretariat, administrations of non-member countries or international governmental organizations to: Recruitment@EMSA.europa.eu by the deadline, which is **18 February 2016 at 17.00 hours (Lisbon time)**.

In order to facilitate the selection process, candidates are kindly invited to provide their documentation in English.

The closing date for applications for the professional traineeship programme is **18 February 2016** at 17:00 hours (Lisbon time).