

# VN 21/14 Weather Applications and User Training Expert

EUMETSAT operates a fleet of 10 satellites delivering weather and climate-related satellite data to our users worldwide; helping protect life, property and the various weather sensitive sectors of the economy from adverse weather impacts. As part of the User Support and Climate Services Division, the training team is responsible for user training outreach activities in support of national services' exploitation of the EUMETSAT data to get the societal benefits outlined in our strategy.

The post holder will report to the lead of the Weather Training portfolio within the User Support and Climate Services Division's training team.

The team of training officers works across several application domains. This new post will focus on user training and outreach activities in support of national services' exploitation of the future EUMETSAT missions (MTG and EPS-SG) in particular for application across operational meteorology and hydrology. The target audiences will be operational staff, application developers and scientists.

## Duties

- To design, deliver and evaluate training courses, for forecasters, scientists and application developers that enable the exploitation of EUMETSAT data in operational forecasting;
- To build the network of subject matter experts that supports the implementation of the training activities;
- To provide thematic leadership within the networks of external contributors and users, providing high quality
- To support EUMETSAT partners and relevant projects in terms of guidance and, particularly partners in Africa and Latin America;
- Contribute directly and with user contributions to the EUMETSAT website topical images & case studies library;
- To interact with the user relations team on feedback from users, and support relevant follow up;
- Supporting the definition and development of new



### LOCATION

Darmstadt,  
Germany



### QUALIFICATIONS

This role requires expertise in operational meteorology as well as training. A university degree in a relevant discipline, or equivalent experience, and broad professional exposure to cover both these areas is required.



### LANGUAGES

Candidates must be able to work effectively in English. A working knowledge of French and/or Spanish is highly desirable. A working knowledge of additional languages relevant for the training function would be an advantage.



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advice on potential application pathways in operational meteorology and hydrology (i.e. where they add most value in the forecasting process);

systems and services by providing advice on the application conditions of the users.



## Skills and Experience

- Strong ability to design and implement courses that teach the application of EUMETSAT data in operational meteorology and hydrology for the quantitative application of data and products.
- Understanding of the data and product portfolio of EUMETSAT for operational meteorology, including multispectral imager data and derived products.
- Understanding of meteorological services, and the processes at work in generating forecasts, as well as downstream warning and information services.
- Proven experience in the design, delivery and evaluation of training interventions online and in the classroom, with a knowledge of associated theories of learning/pedagogies;
- Capacity to build and influence international networks and deliver work through those networks.
- Experience in the access and processing of meteorological satellite data using scripting languages.
- Appreciation of the role of user training in capacity building projects and for user preparedness for future satellite systems, and a sense of curiosity on new forms of training, data access, and data application;
- Routine and frequent travel within Europe and worldwide is a requirement of the role.

## 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 5,363 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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