Notification of a vacancy

**Post/Vacancy Number:** PSE16  
**Grade:** B6  
**Title:** System Test Specialist  
**Division/Office:** Programme Support Division  
**NATO Body:** NAPMA  
**Location/Country:** Brunssum, The Netherlands  
**Closing Date:** 20 February 2020  
**Point of Contact:** Human Resources & General Services Office  
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**Duties:**
Responsible to the Chief Evaluation Branch (PSE01) for the following duties:
- Serves as the principal computer Systems Technician (ST) for the planning, coordination and execution of developmental, operational and production acceptance testing for the NAPMA-led NE-3A Final Lifetime Extension Programme (FLEP)
- Performs in-flight duties, as assigned, to ensure the safe operation of the NE-3A aircraft
- Provides operational and functional expertise for the design, development, verification, qualification, and deployment of the NE-3A Mission Computing System.
- Assesses technical adequacy, performance, and appropriateness of contractor proposed design concepts and changes to the Mission Computing System.
- Oversees Mission Computing System testing activities, assesses Technical Performance Measurements and evaluates plans for NATO NE-3A operation.
- Performs analysis and identifies potential problems for Mission Computing Systems and Ground Systems impacted by the FLEP modifications.
- Participates in programme activities with contractors to include, but not limited to, proposal evaluations, documentation reviews, technical interchange meetings, management and design reviews, and related engineering activities.
- Ensures adequate contractor test planning and execution to support requirements validation.
- Allocates operational and technical requirements to specific developmental and test efforts.
- Executes test scripts, analyses test results, and generates test reports.
- Monitors contractor conducted Test and Evaluation, production, kit-proofing and retrofit test programmes consisting of development test, engineering, regression, qualification, factory and acceptance testing of both Mission Computing hardware and software.
- Supports Mission Computing Systems risk assessments and develops risk mitigation strategies during the FLEP modernization.
- Supports training plan development for System Technician test aircrew and operational aircrew
- Maintains close coordination with the NAEW&CF, the Mission Systems Engineering Centre (MSEC) and industry contractors on the implementation of FLEP related requirements.
- Coordinates with other divisions and offices within NAPMA to ensure engineering, support, logistics and test matrix personnel are involved throughout programme planning and execution.
- Attends training courses relevant to the above duties.
- Performs other related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

**Required:**
Higher secondary education with at least 5 years of experience as an airborne Mission Computing System Technician (or equivalent) on-board an E-3 or AEW&C aircraft; Current and qualified for flight operations or able to get current and qualified upon assignment (e.g., National Physiological Training, FAA Class 3 Physical or National equivalent); Must maintain flight qualification during entire contract period; Be able to easily operate in an international environment over a wide range of staff levels, to include working independently and be able to prepare clear and logical reports.

**Desired:**
At least 2 years' experience as a System Technician on a NE-3A Mid-Term configuration or US E-3 block 40/45 aircraft; Experience working within the development and testing process on E-3 or AEW&C mission computing modifications; Bachelor's degree in Engineering/Computer Science; Engineering/program management background in a related field; Experience in a multi-national acquisition program; Practical experience working with NAPMA, NAEW&C Force command and / or NE-3A Component.

Must be fluent in one of the two NATO official languages; some knowledge of the other is desirable. However, the work in NAPMA, both oral and written, is conducted in English.

Any applicant should be in possession of a NATO Secret (NS) security clearance.

A NAPMA Application Form of any applicant is requested to be forwarded to NAPMA, Attn: Human Resources & General Services Office, PO Box 8002, 6440 HA Brunssum, The Netherlands, no later than Friday, 20 February 2020. Should you have further questions, please contact our Human Resources & Travel Officer, Tel (31)45-526-2788 or via e-mail at recruitment@napma.nato.int.