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(Notices)

COMMISSION

RECRUITMENT OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE GALILEO JOINT UNDERTAKING

NEW CLOSING DATE FOR THE SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS

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The joint undertaking is currently seeking candidates (m/f) for the post of:

Director of the Galileo Joint Undertaking

The Joint Undertaking was established by an EC regulation adopted on 26 March 2002 by the Council of the European Union, the text of which is available from http://europa.eu.int/comm/dgs/energy_transport/galileo/documents/official_en.htm, as the operational body to implement the development phase of the Galileo programme of radio-navigation by satellite.

What is Galileo?

The Galileo satellite radio-navigation programme depends on cutting-edge technology and enables a user equipped with a receiver to receive signals from several satellites and thus determine his/her exact position in time and space at any given moment. Galileo is based on a constellation of thirty satellites placed in a medium earth orbit (at an altitude of approximately 24 000 km) continuously covering the entire surface of the earth. Each satellite is a platform equipped with an atomic clock providing extremely precise time measurement (Galileo time). Technically, the system is managed by ground stations.

The European Space Agency is fully involved in the project and is responsible for its technical supervision. **Galileo is the first major programme bringing together the Community institutions and the European Space Agency.**

Missions of the Joint Undertaking:

- to launch the research and development activities needed to successfully complete the development phase (2002 to 2005),
- to help to mobilise the public and private sector funds needed; in particular, to negotiate, by way of a competitive tendering process with the private sector, an overall agreement for the financing of the deployment (2006 to 2007) and operational phases,

- to supervise the carrying-out of all programmes,
- to oversee the optimal integration of EGNOS in Galileo.

Principal tasks of the Director:

- to lead the Joint Undertaking in the tasks as outlined in its statutes (available on request at: Tren-Galileo@cec.eu.int),
- to organise, direct and supervise the staff of the Joint Undertaking,
- to draw up and regularly update the programme development plan and the programme cost estimates,
- to prepare the draft annual budget,
- to submit to the administrative board any proposal involving a significant change in the design of the programme,
- to be responsible for security and take all the measures needed to meet security requirements.

Qualifications and experience required:

- a university degree or equivalent giving entitlement to undertake postgraduate studies,
- at least 15 years professional experience (following the award of the university degree or equivalent) preferably in a field relevant to the missions of the Joint Undertaking, at least five years of which must have been at management level,
- proven capacity to lead an organisation, at strategic and internal management levels,
- a thorough knowledge of one of the languages of the EU and satisfactory knowledge of one other of these languages,
- candidates must be nationals of an European Union or European Space Agency Member State.

Independence and declarations of interests: candidates are required to confirm their willingness to make a declaration of their commitment to act independently in the public interest and a declaration of any interests which might be considered prejudicial to their independence.

Appointment and conditions of employment: The Director will be appointed by the administrative board of the Joint Undertaking. This call is the basis for the establishment of a proposal of the Commission to the administrative board. The appointment will be based on a contract that will end on the day of the dissolution of the Joint Undertaking.

The seat of the Joint Undertaking will be established in Brussels, Belgium.

Candidates should submit a letter of motivation, a completed application form and a free curriculum vitae of a maximum of three pages. Supporting documents must be submitted at a later stage in the procedure if requested. The application form is available on the Internet site http://europa.eu.int/comm/dgs/energy_transport/galileo/whatsnew/index_en.htm.

The European Union takes great care to avoid any form of discrimination and actively encourages applications from women.

Applications must be sent no later than 3 March 2003 either by e-mail in Word format to: Tren-Galileo@cec.eu.int or by registered post (date as postmark) to the following address:

The European Commission
Directorate General for Energy and Transport
Unit TREN E4
Director of the Galileo Joint Undertaking
Office DM 28 1/68
B-1049 Brussels.

Applications sent by express courier service must be delivered to the same address.
