

Communication Officer in the Corporate Communication Office at ESOC, Darmstadt, DE

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Your mission:

Have you (almost) completed your degree studies? Are you inspired by space exploration and keen to pursue a career in this exciting field? If so, perhaps you should take a closer look at the German Trainee Programme. Organised by DLR, it offers you the chance to work shoulder to shoulder with experts from the 20 member states of ESA – keeping your finger on the pulse of Europe's space programmes. Over a period up to 24 months, you will actively contribute to the latest research and/or technology projects. This is complemented by a generous scholarship. What better way to launch your career in international space business? The next GTP commences on 01.02.2014.

At the European Space Operations Centre (ESOC), we are looking for a highly motivated, professional and internationally minded young individual who shares our passion for "Space and Innovation in Europe". Since more than 40 years, the centre has been operating prestigious planetary, astronomy and Earth observation satellites as well as a world-wide network of ground stations. Regular interactions take place with ESA sites across Europe, incl. the European Astronaut Centre in Cologne, PR offices in countries of German-language (DE, AT, CH) as well as the Nordic Countries, Poland and the Czech Republic.

You will work with the Head of Communication Office at ESA/ESOC by:

- contributing to the online communication to German-speaking citizens interested in space
- drafting attractive web articles in German for www.esa.de (and CH, AT sites)
- rewriting or translating information to be added to the websites www.esa.int / www.esa.de
- engaging in classical media relations & new social media channels
- contributing to the PR activities of the European Astronaut Centre (ESA/EAC)
- supporting European launch events and VIP visits at ESOC, EAC and DLR sites
- supporting public events and exhibitions in DE, AT, CH
- closely interact and strengthen the collaboration with DLR's Corporate Communications department by developing and maintaining cooperative projects and preparation of common content
- Stage of 2 months at DLR HQ Corporate Communications Department in Cologne to intensify developed joint projects

Applications received until 8th September 2013 will be considered.

Your qualifications:

- Solid academic degree (M.A.) and advanced work knowledge in at least two of the below areas: Event Management / Marketing, Communications / Multimedia, Journalism / Linguistics, European Affairs / Political Science
- proven ability to work on digital/web publication systems and social media
- ability to carry out an analysis of a given situation (political, economic, industrial) in order to draft summaries for the preparation of PR events and partnerships
- perfect native German and business fluent English are a prerequisite, knowledge of French would be another strong advantage

Your benefits:

Look forward to a fulfilling job with an employer who appreciates your commitment and supports your personal and professional development. We look forward to your e-mail application, citing GTP-2014-DGC-CD, to GTP@dlr.de. Please visit the German Trainee Programme page for details of our application procedures. Please note that applicants need to have the German citizenship. Disabled applicants with equivalent qualifications will be given preferential treatment.