

VACANCY NOTICE

Ref. No: eu-LISA/18/CA/FGIII/26.1

Position:	Security Policy Assistant
Department/Unit/Sector:	Security Unit
Function Group/Grade:	Contract Agent/FGIII
Location:	Tallinn, Estonia
Starting date:	as soon as possible
Level of Security Clearance:	SECRET UE/EU SECRET ¹
Closing date for applications	28 January 2019 ² at 23:59 EET and 22:59 CET

1. INFORMATION ABOUT THE AGENCY

Applicants are invited to apply for the above-mentioned post at the European Agency for the operational management of large-scale IT systems in the area of freedom, security and justice (hereinafter referred to as "eu-LISA" or "Agency"). eu-LISA was established in 2011, the new eu-LISA Regulation³ entered into force on 11 December 2018.

The seat of eu-LISA is Tallinn, Estonia. Tasks related to development and operational management of the current and future systems are carried out in Strasbourg, France. eu-LISA also has a backup site is Sankt Johann im Pongau, Austria and a Liaison Office in Brussels, Belgium.

eu-LISA is responsible for the long-term operational management of the European Asylum Dactyloscopy Database (Eurodac)⁴, the second generation Schengen

¹ EC Decision (EU, Euratom) 2015/444 of 13 March 2015 on the security rules for protecting EU classified information

² Date of publication: 18 December 2018

 ³ Regulation (EU) No 2018/1726 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 November 2018, OJ L 295, 21.11.2018, p. 99.
⁴ Regulation (EU) No 603/2013 of the European Parliament and Council of 26 June 2013.

Information System (SIS II)⁵, the Visa Information System (VIS)⁶ and the European Entry/Exit System (EES)⁷.

These systems are essential for the normal functioning of the Schengen Area, for the efficient border management of its external borders as well as for the implementation of common EU asylum and visa policies. As of 9 October 2018, the Agency has been entrusted with the development and operational management of the European Travel Authorization and Information System (ETIAS). The Agency may also be entrusted with the centralised system for the identification of Member States holding conviction information on third country nationals and stateless persons (TCN) to supplement and support the European Criminal Records System (ECRIS-TCN), and the development of interoperability solutions between large-scale IT systems provided that co-legislators adopt the required legal instrument⁸.

The core task of eu-LISA is to ensure the effective, secure and continuous operation of said IT-systems. The Agency is also responsible for taking the necessary measures to ensure the security of the systems and the security of the data therein.

Beyond these operational tasks, eu-LISA is responsible for information and communication management to ensure that the public and interested parties are rapidly given objective, reliable and easily understandable information with regards to its work; reporting, publishing, monitoring and organising specific training sessions on the technical use of the systems, implementing pilot schemes upon specific and precise requests of the European Commission and the monitoring of research relevant for the operational management of the systems.

Information about the Agency can be found on eu-LISA website: <u>https://www.eulisa.europa.eu/</u>

2. THE SECURITY UNIT

The Security Unit is responsible for end-to-end security tasks in the Agency. This includes the security of the systems which the Agency operates, the environment in which eu-LISA operates (hereunder the physical security of all Agency premises), the security of all Agency personnel and assets, as well as security related to outsourced activities.

The responsibilities of the Security Unit are organised in a Security and Continuity Management System (SCMS) split into five macro-domains: Governance, Risk and Assurance; Business Continuity Management; Protective Security; Information Security; System Security Management & Operations.

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⁵ Regulation (EU) 2018/1860 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 November 2018 on the use of the Schengen Information System for the return of illegally staying third country nationals, OJ L 312, 7.12.2018. Regulation (EU) 2018/1861 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 November 2018 on the establishment, operation and use of the Schengen Information System (SIS) in the field of border checks, and amending the Convention implementing the Schengen Agreement, and amending and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1987/2016, OJ L 312, 7.12.2018. Regulation (EU) 2018/1862 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 November 2018 on the establishment, operation and use of the Schengen Information System (SIS) in the field of police cooperation and judicial cooperation in criminal matters, amending and repealing Council Decision 2007/533/JHA, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1986/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Commission Decision 2010/261/EU, OJ L 312, 7.12.2018.

⁶ Regulation (EC) No 767/2008 of 9 July 2008 of the European Parliament and the Council concerning the Visa Information System (VIS) and the exchange of data between member States on short-stay visas (VIS Regulation), OJ L 218, 13.08.2008.

⁷ Regulation (EU) 2017/2226 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 November 2017establishing an Entry/Exit System (EES), OJ L 327/20, 9.12.2017. Corrigendum to Regulation (EU) 2017/2225 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 November 2017amending Regulation (EU) 2016/399 as regards the use of the Entry/Exit System (OJ L 327, 9.12.2017), OJ L 312, 7.12.2018.

⁸ COM(2017) 794 final, 2017/0352 (COD) and COM(2017) 793 final, 2017/0351 (COD)

The organisational structure of the Security Unit distributes the staff into two Sectors, namely Protective Security and Continuity as well as Information Security and Assurance Sector. The Unit is located both in Tallinn, Estonia and in Strasbourg, France.

3. DUTIES

The principal role of the Security Policy Assistant is to support the eu-LISA Security Unit in drafting the specific strategic documentation, policies, procedures, standards or guidelines regarding security, safety, business continuity and disaster-recovery management systems in eu-LISA. He/she will also be responsible for supporting the preparation, organisation and performance of specific security, safety or business continuity related awareness, outreach or briefing activities in eu-LISA.

Security Policy Assistant may be required to travel, from time to time, from Tallinn, to the other Agency operational locations, to the locations of other EU institutions and bodies or to the location of other stakeholders of the eu-LISA. He/she may be requested to perform specific stand-by duty tasks as per business needs and decision of the eu-LISA's Executive Director.

The Security Policy Assistant will be working under the supervision of the Head of the Protective Security and Continuity Sector and reporting to the Head of the Security Unit.

The main Security Policy Assistant's duties will entail:

Policy development:

- Supporting the development and implementation of eu-LISA security and continuity policy framework composed by internal standards, policies, procedures, guidelines, annual working plans, etc.;
- Developing a Security and Business Continuity awareness programme and continuously carrying out Business Continuity awareness sessions to the eu-LISA's staff (located in Tallinn, Brussels, Strasbourg and Sankt Johann im Pongau) via appropriate means of communication;
- Contributing to the development of Business Cases for the business continuity and security related projects, and performing specific activities regarding the implementation of such projects.

Reporting and outreach:

- Liaising with national security authorities or with other EU institutions or bodies' security services;
- Verifying the quality of the business continuity and security services provided by the contractors of eu-LISA, to ensure that they are in line with the contracts' provisions, standards, policies, procedures and guidelines of eu-LISA;
- Supporting in the organisation of the Security Officers Network (SON) meetings and other activities.

Other tasks:

- Acting as first respondent during a security incident or a crisis situation for all the security and business continuity-related matters;
- Participating in the investigations of security incidents or security risks identified, including those related to ICT and recommend appropriate corrective actions;
- Contributing to the review of security-related contracts, procurement documentation and technical offers received during the procurement process;

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• Monitoring and ensuring the implementation of the business continuity and security related contractual agreements, according to the specific rules and regulations.

4. QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE REQUIRED

4.1. Eligibility criteria

Applicants will be considered eligible for recruitment and selection on the basis of the following formal criteria which need to be fulfilled by the deadline for applications:

4.1.1. he/she has a level of post-secondary education attested by a diploma,

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a level of secondary education attested by a diploma giving access to postsecondary education, and appropriate professional experience of three years following the award of the diploma giving access to this function group;

N.B. Only qualifications that have been awarded in EU Member States or that are subject to the equivalence certificates issued by the authorities in said EU Member States shall be taken into consideration.

- 4.1.2. he/she is a national of one of the Member States of the Union, Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein or Switzerland⁹ and enjoys his/her full rights as a citizen¹⁰;
- 4.1.3. he/she has fulfilled any obligations imposed on him/her by the laws concerning military service;
- 4.1.4. he/she produces the appropriate character references as to his/her suitability for the performance of his/her duties;
- 4.1.5. he/she is physically fit to perform his/her duties¹¹ and
- 4.1.6. he/she produces evidence of a thorough knowledge of one of the languages of the Union and of a satisfactory knowledge of another language of the Union to the extent necessary for the performance of his/her duties.

4.2. Selection criteria

4.2.1. Professional experience and knowledge

Suitability of applicants will be assessed against the following criteria in different steps of the selection procedure:

• Full time experience of at least 2 (two) years in security, business continuity, administrative, legal, scientific, technical, advisory or supervisory functions, acquired after the award of the post-secondary education;

⁹ Appointment of staff from countries associated with the implementation, application and development of the Schengen acquis and Eurodac-related measures is subject to the conclusion of the arrangements defined in article 37 of the founding Regulation of the Agency.

¹⁰ Prior to any appointment, the successful applicant will be asked to provide a certificate issued by the competent authority attesting the absence of any criminal record.

¹¹ Before the appointment, the successful applicant shall be medically examined by a selected medical service in order that the Agency may be satisfied that he/she fulfils the requirement of Article 82 (3)d of the Conditions of employment of other servants of the European Communities.

- Knowledge and/or preferably professional experience in drafting security and/or business continuity policies, standards and guidelines in accordance with ISO 22301 standard and/or ISO 27000 standards family;
- Knowledge and/or preferably professional experience in applying Risk Management and/or Business Impact Assessment methodologies, tools and processes;
- Professional experience in organising and/or running specific awareness sessions, trainings and presentations to a broad audience;
- Very good knowledge of English, both oral and written, at least at the level C1¹².

4.2.2. The following attributes would be advantageous:

- Professional experience obtained in in a multicultural environment, preferably in European Institution, agency, body or international audit firms;
- Proficiency in both written and spoken French, corresponding to at least B2 level¹³.

4.2.3. Personal qualities

- Excellent analytical and problem-solving skills, an ability to think creatively, a strong sense of integrity, initiative and responsibility;
- Excellent organisational skills, maintaining a clear overview of multiple tasks including the ability to prioritise towards deadlines and focus on key objectives as well as pay attention to details and work under pressure;
- Supportive and helpful approach to others, with a cooperative and serviceoriented attitude, have good communication and interpersonal skills and the ability to cooperate smoothly in a multicultural environment.
- Ability to work in a responsible manner collaboratively and respectfully with others to ensure effective and successful completion of tasks with quality results;
- Ability to act as an appreciated team player who encourages collaboration and is able to facilitate or contribute to constructive dialogue, and solve issues in a team.

The working language of eu-LISA is English. Therefore, the ability to communicate in English is an essential requirement.

5. INDEPENDENCE AND DECLARATION OF INTEREST

The selected applicant for the post will be required to make a declaration of commitment to act independently in eu-LISA's interest and to make a declaration in relation to interests that might be considered prejudicial to his/her independence.

¹² Cf. Language levels of the Common European Framework of reference:

http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/resources/european-language-levels-cefr

Framework of reference:

6. EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

eu-LISA applies an equal opportunities policy and accepts applications without distinction on grounds of sex, race, colour, ethnic or social origin, genetic features, language, religion or belief, political or any other opinion, membership of a national minority, property, birth, disability, age or sexual orientation.

7. SELECTION PROCEDURE

The selection procedure includes the following steps:

- A Selection Committee designated by the Appointing Authority (`the Executive Director of eu-LISA`) is set up for the selection procedure;
- After registration, each application is checked to verify whether the applicant meets the eligibility criteria;
- All the eligible applications are evaluated by the Selection Committee based on a combination of certain selection criteria defined in the vacancy notice. Some criteria will be assessed only for short-listed applicants during interviews and tests. Certain selection criteria may be assessed jointly and some criteria may be assessed in two or more stages of the selection procedure;
- The best-qualified applicants, who obtained the highest number of points, are short-listed for an interview phase, which will be complemented by a written competency test;
- During the interview phase, the Selection Committee examines the profiles of applicants and scores the applicants in accordance with the selection criteria;
- In order to be considered for inclusion on the reserve list, an applicant must receive at least 60% of the maximum points from the evaluation of the interview and the written test phase;
- The Selection Committee draws up a non-ranked list of the most suitable candidates to be included on a reserve list for the post and proposes it to the Appointing Authority. The Selection Committee may, simultaneously, also propose to the Appointing Authority the best suitable candidate to be engaged for the post;
- The reserve list established for this selection procedure will be valid until 31 December 2022 (the validity period may be extended);
- The Appointing Authority choses from the established reserve list an applicant whom to engage for a job;
- Applicants placed on the reserve list may be engaged for a job for the same or a similar post depending on the needs of eu-LISA and its budgetary situation, as long as the reserve list is valid;
- The interview and the written test are conducted in English. In case English is the mother tongue of an applicant, some interview questions or test questions will be in the language they indicate on the application form as their 2nd EU language;
- Each applicant invited for an interview phase will be informed by letter whether or not he/she has been placed on the reserve list. Applicants should note that inclusion on a reserve list does not guarantee engagement.

Please note that the Selection Committee's work and deliberations are strictly confidential and that any contact with its members is strictly forbidden.

Because English is the working language of eu-LISA and because the successful applicant will be requested to immediately be operational, the recruitment

procedure will be performed in English and all communication with applicants will be held in English.

8. ENGAGEMENT AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

The selected applicant will be engaged by the Authority Authorised to Conclude Contracts of employment (`eu-LISA`s Executive Director`) from the established reserve list.

For reasons related to eu-LISA's operational requirements, once the applicant receives an engagement offer, he/she may be required to confirm their acceptance of the offer in a short time, and be available to start the contract at short notice (1 to 3 months).

The successful applicant will be engaged as Contract Staff, pursuant to Article 3a(b) of the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Communities (CEOS). The engagement will be in the Function Group FGIII, grades 8, 9 or 10 depending on the length of professional experience.

The pay of staff members consists of a basic salary in EUR weighted by the correction coefficient (for Tallinn, Estonia 82.2%) and paid in EUR¹⁴.

In addition to the basic salary, staff members may be entitled to various allowances depending on their personal situation.

eu-LISA staff members pay an EU tax at the source and deductions are also made for medical insurance, pension and unemployment insurance. **Salaries are exempt from national taxation.**

Staff members may also be entitled to the reimbursement of removal costs and initial daily subsistence allowance. The provisions guiding the calculation of these allowances can be consulted in Annex VII of the Staff Regulations available at the following address:

http://eur-

lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CONSLEG:1962R0031:20140101:EN:PDF The complete salary table is available in Article 93 of the CEOS.

eu-LISA staff members are entitled to annual leave of two working days per each complete calendar month of the service. There are on average 19 Public Holidays per year.

Throughout the period of service staff members participate in the EU pension scheme. The pension is granted after completing a minimum of 10 years' service and reaching the pensionable age. Pension rights acquired in one or more national schemes before starting to work at eu-LISA may be transferred into the EU pension system.

eu-LISA staff members are covered 24/7 and worldwide by the Joint Sickness Insurance Scheme (JSIS). Staff is insured against sickness, the risk of occupational disease and accident as well as entitled to a monthly unemployment allowance, the right to receive payment of invalidity allowance and travel insurance.

For further information on working conditions of Contract Staff, please refer to CEOS: <u>http://eurlex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CONSLEG:1962R0031:20140101:EN</u>:PDF

¹⁴ The correction coefficient is subject to a regular update.

The initial duration of the contract is **five years** including a probationary period of nine months, with the possibility of contract renewal for another period not exceeding five years. Second renewal would be indefinite.

All selected applicants will need to have, or be in a position to obtain, a valid Personnel Security Clearance Certificate (SECRET UE/EU SECRET level).

A Personnel Security Clearance Certificate (PSCC) means a certificate issued by a competent authority establishing that an individual is security cleared and holds a valid national or EU PSC, which shows the level of EU Classified Information (EUCI) to which that individual may be granted access (CONFIDENTIEL UE/EU CONFIDENTIAL or above), the date of validity of the relevant PSC and the date of expiry of the certificate itself. For more information about EUCI please consult the Commission Decision (EU, Euratom) 2015/444 of 13 March 2015 on the security rules for protecting EU classified information.

Applicants who currently hold a valid security clearance shall provide a copy of the security clearance to eu-LISA and specify the issuing authority, level and date of expiry. In case the validity of the security clearance expires within six months, the renewal procedure will be initiated expeditiously.

Note that the necessary procedure for obtaining a PSCC can be initiated on request of the employer only, and not by the individual applicant.

Failure to obtain the required security clearance certificate from the successful applicant's National Security Authority, either during or after the expiration of the probationary period, will give the right to eu-LISA to terminate any applicable employment contract.

9. PROTECTION OF PERSONAL DATA

eu-LISA ensures that applicants' personal data is processed in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2000 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Community institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data¹⁵. The new Regulation¹⁶ entered into force on 11 December 2018.

Please note that eu-LISA will not return applications to the applicants.

The legal basis for the selection procedures of Contract Staff (Article 3a(b)) are defined in the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Communities¹⁷.

The purpose of processing personal data is to enable selection procedures.

The selection procedure is conducted under the responsibility of eu-LISA's Human Resources Unit ('HRU'). The controller, in practice, for personal data protection purposes is the Head of the Human Resources Unit.

The information provided by the applicants will be accessible to a strictly limited number of HRU staff members, to the Selection Committee, and, if necessary, to the Executive Director, Security and/or the Legal Officer of eu-LISA.

Almost all fields in the application form are mandatory; the answers provided by the applicants in the fields marked as optional will not be taken into account to assess their merits.

¹⁵ 12.1.2001, OJ, L 8

¹⁶ Regulation (EU) No 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018, OJ L 295, 21.11.2018, p. 39.

¹⁷ CEOS, in particular the provisions governing conditions of engagement in Title IV.

Processing begins on the date of receipt of the application. Our data storage policy is as follows:

- for applications received but not selected: the paper dossiers are filed and stored in archives for **2 (two) years** after which time they are destroyed;
- for applicants placed on a reserve list but not recruited: data is kept for the period of validity of the reserve list + 1 (one) ear after which time it is destroyed;
- for recruited applicants: data is kept for a period of **10 (ten) years** as of the termination of employment or as of the last pension payment after which time it is destroyed.

All applicants may exercise their right of access to and right to rectify personal data. In the case of identification data, applicants can rectify the data at any time during the procedure. In the case of data related to the admissibility criteria, the right of rectification cannot be exercised after the closing date of applications` submission.

Any substantiated query concerning the processing of his/her personal data should be addressed to the HRU of the Agency at <u>eulisa-RECRUITMENT@eulisa.europa.eu</u>

Applicants may have recourse at any time to eu-LISA's Data Protection Officer <u>dpo@eulisa.europa.eu</u> and/or the European Data Protection Supervisor (<u>edps@edps.europa.eu</u>).

10. APPEAL PROCEDURE

If an applicant considers that he/she has been adversely affected by a particular decision, he/she can submit a complaint under Article 90(2) of the Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union and Conditions of employment of other servants of the European Union, to the following e-mail address:

<u>eulisa-RECRUITMENT@eulisa.europa.eu</u> or mail address:

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The complaint must be submitted within 3 (three) months. The time limit for initiating this type of procedure starts from the time the applicant is notified of the act adversely affecting him/her.

11. APPLICATION PROCEDURE

In order for application to be valid and considered eligible, the applicant is required to create an account in eu-LISA e-Recruitment tool, fill in the personal and CV information as well as eligibility and selection criteria checklists.

If you wish to apply for a position at eu-LISA, you must apply to a vacancy via the e-Recruitment tool. eu-LISA does not accept applications submitted by any other means (e.g. email or post), or any speculative applications.

The closing date for submission of applications is: **28 January 2019 at 23:59 EET** (Eastern European Time) and 22:59 CET (Central European Time).

Applicants are strongly advised **not to wait until the last day** to submit their applications, since heavy internet traffic or a fault with the internet connection could lead to difficulties in submission. eu-LISA cannot be held responsible for any delay due to such difficulties.

Once the applications have been received by eu-LISA e-Recruitment tool, applicants will receive an automatic acknowledgement message by e-mail confirming the receipt of the application.

Please note that if at any stage of the selection procedure it is established that any of the requested information provided by an applicant is false, the applicant in question will be disqualified.

Due to the large volume of applications, eu-LISA regrets to inform that only applicants selected for further steps of the selection procedure will be contacted.

In case of any queries about the selection process, please contact us via e-mail: <u>eulisa-RECRUITMENT@eulisa.europa.eu</u>.

You will be requested to supply documentary evidence in support of the statements that you make for this application if you are selected for further steps of the selection procedure.

Please note that the time period between the closing date for applications submission and the end of the short listing applicants for the interview may take up to several months.