

# Executive

## ( Space Engagement and Programmes )

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### Role

The successful candidate will be responsible for understanding the needs of the local community with respect to Space (space and non-space actors), developing local and international relationships with stakeholders (including newcomers), the promotion of the Space sector and developing capacity building initiatives, developing research support measures for the local community through national and bilateral initiatives. Moreover, the successful candidate will be responsible for the continuation of the National Space Fund (post-award) as well as assist in shaping the post-2022 roadmap in collaboration with the European Space Agency (ESA), to develop a support ecosystem from 2023 onwards.






## Duties:

1. Steering forward the implementation of priority actions as laid out in the Malta Space Strategy 2023 -2027;
2. Develop and maintain a strong working relationship with the European Space Agency (ESA) acting as the institutional liaison point at technical level between MCST and ESA;
3. Contribute to overseeing and reporting on the overall implementation of the new ECS-Charter Implementing Arrangement between MCST and ESA;
4. Ensure the necessary follow-up and coordination within MCST, across Government and with key stakeholders for the successful implementation of the ECS Agreement with ESA;
5. Champion the externalisation and promotion of ESA ECS Tender International Programmes, to ensure satisfactory take-up and popularisation of Space Research and Innovation;
6. Develop strong relationships with local stakeholders (Space and non-Space actors) to understand current capabilities and support the development of future capabilities to capitalise on the opportunities derived from the new ECS Agreement with ESA;
7. Deploy activities to increase the awareness of the Space sector locally and continue to jump-start participation in the sector within public, academic and industrial domains;
8. Support capacity building and the growth of local critical mass in the Space sector by deploying both local initiatives and collaborative endeavours with foreign entities. Such initiatives include new collaborations being developed with Space Agencies and Space Centres in the EU, as well as with third countries such as the UAE and China, and MCST's involvement in Space-related international associations and think-thanks;
9. Collate data on local interest and capabilities, stakeholder participation in MCST-led Space initiatives and programmes, and performance metrics to develop statistics;
10. Represent MCST and Malta on Space-fora/meetings in support of both national and EU policy and implementation initiatives, enabling the provision of advice to MCST and Government;
11. Develop solid relationships with Space and non-Space actors, being ultimately recognised as a primary contact point for Space-related matters on a national level;
12. Assist the Policy & Strategy Unit within MCST, as and when required, with advice for the formulation of technical and political-levels positions on Space-related issues discussed within the EU Council of Ministers;



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13. Assist the Research and Innovation Unit within MCST, as and when required with managing National Research and Innovation projects (post-award) related to Space;
  14. Any other duties assigned by the Senior Director (Strategy, Research and Technical Affairs), and/or his/her delegate;

## Requisites:

Master's qualification at MQF Level 7 in natural or applied sciences or engineering or IT or a comparable professional qualification recognised by MFHEA (MQRIC if applicable) and a minimum of one (1) year relevant work experience. Education and/or work experience in Space policy and/or Space/Aerospace regulation, Geographic Information System, remote sensing, exploitation of satellite data, IT, data science or computer science will be considered an asset.

**OR**

Bachelor's qualification at MQF Level 6 in natural or applied sciences or engineering or IT or a comparable professional qualification recognised by MFHEA (MQRIC if applicable) and a minimum of three (3) years' relevant work experience. Education and/or work experience in Space policy and/or Space/Aerospace regulation, Geographic Information System, remote sensing, exploitation of satellite data, IT, data science or computer science will be considered an asset.

## Working Conditions:

This position is on an indefinite basis, with a starting salary of €28,270 per annum, and a yearly increment subject to good working performance, and includes:

- Career advancement opportunity;
- Opportunity for external training sponsorship;
- Free Gym membership;
- Parking Facility;
- Teambuilding activities.

## How to Apply

Interested applicants are to email their Europass CV and a copy of their academic certificates to [recruitment.mcst@gov.mt](mailto:recruitment.mcst@gov.mt), by not later than cob Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2024. Late and/or incomplete applications will not be processed.

*By applying for this position, you are agreeing to the data practices for the collection, use and disclosure of your Personal Information in accordance with the MCST Privacy Policy [http:// mcst.gov.mt/our-privacy-policy/](http://mcst.gov.mt/our-privacy-policy/). You can withdraw your consent at any time by sending us an email through [recruitment.mcst@gov.mt](mailto:recruitment.mcst@gov.mt).*

