



European Maritime Safety Agency

**NATIONAL EXPERT SECONDED TO EMSA**  
**PROJECT OFFICER FOR PORT STATE CONTROL**  
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The European Parliament and Council Regulation (EC) No 1406/2002<sup>1</sup> provides the legal basis for the establishment of the European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA).

The goal of the Agency is to provide technical and scientific assistance to the European Commission and Member States on matters relating to the proper implementation of European Union legislation on maritime safety and pollution by ships. To do this, one of EMSA's tasks is to improve cooperation between Member States in all key areas. This includes undertaking a range of actions aimed at improving maritime safety.

In addition to its initial safety and pollution related work, in April 2004, EMSA was also given additional tasks by the European Council and the European Parliament related to oil pollution response, ship security and training of seafarers.

EMSA invites you to send your application for a Seconded National Expert. This position, as Project Officer for Port State Control, will be attached to Department B 'Implementation', Unit B.2. 'Ship Safety'.

More information about the Agency and its structure and activities can be found on our website: <http://www.emsa.europa.eu>

**Conditions of Employment:**

This vacancy notice concerns a Seconded National Expert position. Rules applicable to National Experts seconded to EMSA can be found on the following link: <http://www.emsa.europa.eu/end179d006d003.html>

Please read carefully these rules before applying.

The initial duration of the secondment is one year with possibility for extension.

The place of employment is Lisbon, Portugal.

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 208, 5.8.2002, p.1, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1644/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 July 2003 (OJ L 245, 29.9.2003, p. 10) and Regulation (EC) No 724/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 31 March 2004 (OJ L 129, 29.4.2004, p. 1).

### **Functions and Duties:**

Under the responsibility of the Head of Unit B.2, Ship Safety, the successful candidate will be part of a team and assist in the following duties:

- Overall monitoring of the implementation of EU maritime safety legislation related to the control of ships (Directive 2001/106/EC, on port state control) including analysis of statistical data and compiling of reports;
- Preparation of and participation in inspection visits to Member States, including witnessing ship inspections and reporting on findings. Visits are normally carried out by teams of three or four guided by a lead assessor;
- Participation in technical working groups of the Paris Memorandum of Understanding on port state control;
- Drafting proposals for guidelines for implementation of control by the port state on various Regulations and Directives related to maritime safety and protection of the marine environment;
- Further development and implementation of the training methodology for port state control officers training including the support of the digital tools RuleCheck, the Learning Management System and THETIS.

### **Main skills and qualifications:**

- University degree or equivalent qualification or professional experience;
- At least 4 years of professional experience acquired after the award of the required qualification. When no university degree or equivalent qualification has been acquired, 8 years of experience is required of which 4 must be relevant to the post;
- Good knowledge of EU maritime safety legislation, in particular in the field of port State control, ship safety and protection of the marine environment;
- Good knowledge of the principal IMO and ILO maritime Conventions;
- Overall knowledge of the roles and functions of stakeholders in the Maritime Community (i.e. IMO, ILO, EU and EMSA, ship building and repair yards, ship owners and industry organisations, recognised organisations, IACS, flag, port and coastal states, offshore registries etc);
- Knowledge of the survey and inspection regimes associated with seagoing vessels engaged in international trade;
- Very good level of written and spoken English with the ability to draft clear and concise texts;
- Ability to make presentations to groups;
- Knowledge of development and implementation of IT systems would be an advantage.

### **Submission of applications:**

Each application shall contain the following documents:

- a) A detailed curriculum vitae in European format (that can be obtained at the following address <http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/documents/curriculum-vitae> or downloaded from our site).
  - b) A duly completed and signed declaration of honour (which can be as well downloaded from our site).
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