

GAF AG (GAF) is an internationally successful company that specialises in cross-platform geoinformation solutions and the development of innovative earth observation applications. In addition to receiving and procuring satellite-based earth observation data, GAF holds a leading position in the areas of data processing and geo-consulting due to its 40 years of expertise. With an international and interdisciplinary team of experts, GAF sets standards for geospatial consulting, cloud- and AI-based data analysis, and satellite-based monitoring of the environment and natural resources in Europe and around the globe.

To further strengthen our team for thematic applications **at our headquarters in Munich**, we are looking for a committed

Project Manager Earth Observation & Copernicus downstream Services

Our unit *Thematic Applications* consists of an international team of experts and is responsible for the implementation of a wide range of projects in the fields of land monitoring, land cover and land use as well as topographic mapping. Many of our projects are embedded in the Copernicus programme.

Your tasks:

- Coordination of projects and implementation of project tasks in the Earth Observation / Copernicus domain, in close cooperation with international partner companies/institutions and the customer(s)
- Managing a team of thematic experts and project partners from various domains (LCLU mapping, satellite data, image processing, software development, AI/ML data science etc.) in compliance with the project work plan, schedule, quality standards and budget
- Managing and monitoring the project budget and deployed resources
- Acting as the main interface for organisational and reporting aspects with the customer related to project implementation, ensuring that both customer needs and project team requirements are well understood and implemented in a balanced way
- Coordinating information flows with supporting units (such as business development, technical development, contractual/legal, financial, ICT), and ensuring seamless collaboration between all project tasks, work packages and team members
- Identifying risks, issues and deviations, and suggesting and coordinating the respective mitigation actions
- Managing and coordinating the project progress reporting, documentation, and technical deliverables, and presenting project results to the customer and to international audiences (e.g. at conferences, symposia)
- Support in new acquisition of upcoming Earth Observation / Copernicus opportunities

Your profile:

- ✓ Educational background: MSc. degree (or equivalent) in geography, GIS, remote sensing, or similar or proven expertise in the related field
- ✓ Minimum 5 years relevant working experience:
 - Proven track experience in remote sensing, digital image processing /interpretation, GIS applications and land cover/land use mapping, hydrology/hydrography
 - Experience in project management and task coordination
 - Expertise in team management and coordination
- ✓ Knowledge on financial and effort management
- ✓ Knowledge of the Copernicus Land Monitoring Service and other Copernicus downstream services
- ✓ Fluency in English (**at least level C1** according to the CEFR)
- ✓ Good writing skills and oral and technical communication proficiency
- ✓ Analytical and solution-oriented mindset
- ✓ Self-motivated and independent, but also with a collaborative working style that creates a highly-integrated team environment
- ✓ Ready to travel, also to international destinations

Desirable knowledge:

- Good command of at least one additional language (German, French, Spanish)
- Working experience with European and international entities such as EEA, ESA, EC, IFI's e.g. World Bank
- Experience in EO-based product validation / thematic accuracy assessment / geo-statistics
- Experience in project acquisition and supporting proposal management (proposal writing and management, consortium building, ...)

Our offer:

- A responsible and varied role in one of Europe's leading geo-information companies, and insights into an exciting and technically cutting-edge work environment
- Comprehensive support in familiarising yourself with your professional role
- Training and development – because your experience and knowledge count
- A respectful, friendly and modern project working environment in a multi-national team of committed colleagues and a leadership style based on trust
- Flexible working hours and the opportunity to work from home within the framework of our regulations
- Workation: temporary work from abroad depending on individual and legal requirements
- An attractive location with perfect public transport connections and great options for outdoor and recreational activities in the direct vicinity
- Various additional benefits, e.g. public transport contribution (job ticket), company pension scheme (optional), travel health insurance (worldwide), occupational health management, and much more

Further information

Full-time, 40 hours per week and starting as at the earliest possible date.

Initially limited to 2 years, with a subsequent option for a permanent contract.

Please note that only applicants with work permit for Germany can be considered.

Have we aroused your curiosity about this position?

Then we look forward to receiving your application. Please send a cover letter, CV and any useful supporting documents, along with your (gross) salary expectations and your earliest possible availability to start, to recruiting@gaf.de. Please state „**Project Manager Earth Observation & Copernicus downstream Services**“ in the subject line.

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