

Training Opportunity for Luxembourgish Trainees

Reference	Title	Duty Station
LU-2023-TEC-MMA	Space Automation & Robotics	ESTEC, Noordwijk, the Netherlands

Overview of the mission:

The Mechatronics and Optics Division provides engineering support for space projects and executes technology developments in the areas of Automation and Robotics, Mechanisms, Life and Physical Sciences Instrumentation, Optics and Opto-Electronics.

One of the sections of this Division, the Automation and Robotics Section, is the focal point at ESA for matters relating to the design, engineering and verification of space Automation and Robotics (A&R) systems (i.e. manipulation systems, mobility systems and payload automation systems).

In this context, the Automation and Robotics Section is responsible for:

- the conception of novel uses and novel designs in space missions;
- definition, design and engineering;
- breadboarding and demonstration;
- analysis and verification;
- · technology development in the fields of:
 - robot perception;
 - · control, autonomy and intelligence;
 - motion and actuation:
 - robot-user interfacing;
 - robot ground testing.

Overview of the field of activity proposed:

As a LuxYGT, you will contribute to one or more tasks pertaining to the responsibilities and needs of the section within the fields of orbital robotics, planetary robotics and human-robotics interaction.

With the assistance of ESA engineers working in the section, as well as the support of other ESA specialists, you may work on:

- feasibility assessments of new space A&R concepts;
- breadboarding and demonstration of A&R systems (e.g. robots, rovers and supporting technologies) and their subsystems and interfaces to users in the A&R laboratories;
- verification of existing A&R systems;
- mathematical modelling and simulations;



· operational readiness, organisation and extension of the lab facilities.

Required education and skills:

- You should have just completed or be in the final year of your master's degree in mechatronics or mechanical engineering
- · Good interpersonal and communication skills
- Ability to work in a multi-cultural environment, both independently and as part of a team
- Fluency in English and/or French, the working languages of the Agency