Job openings for patent examiners at European Patent Office for engineers and scientists (job experience is not required)

Are you an engineer or scientist interested in joining an international team at the forefront of technology?

If so, apply now for the Summer Selection Events for European patent examiners in Munich and The Hague.

The events will take place in

- Munich from 2 to 6 June and
- The Hague from 30 June to 4 July.

The deadline for applications to attend the events is

- 12 May 2014 for Munich and
- 2 June 2014 for The Hague.

Minimum requirements

Candidates must meet the following formal requirements:

- Citizenship of one of the member states of the European Patent Organisation.
- Full university degree in physics, chemistry, engineering or natural sciences. The degree should be relevant to the technical field in which you would like to work.
- Generally, an excellent knowledge of one official language (English, French and German) and the ability to understand the other two. In exceptional cases, excellent knowledge of one official language and the ability to understand another. In such a case, the Office may also consider offering a fixed-term contract (for a maximum of three years) instead of permanent employment. Candidates recruited on that basis may be appointed as permanent employees if, no later than three months before expiry of the contract, they demonstrate that they have reached the level of knowledge of the third language stipulated in the contract.

You should also have a genuine interest in technology, an eye for detail and an analytical mind.

Experience

Work experience in industry is not essential, but would be an advantage.
Relocation

Applicants must also be willing to relocate to Munich, The Hague or Berlin, the EPO sites at which patents are examined. You can apply direct to your preferred location.

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