Our Client, a major player in the satellite system consultancy field, is looking for a **System/Network Ground Segment Consultant**

to bring his expertise to the procurement of a military Satcom ground user segment composed of a network operation center and several military terminals.

With a specialist background in either network operations centers and/or military stations, you will be supporting from back office and participating in meetings at the Manufacturer facilities (Paris) and later on in Qatar as required.

Your assignment will start in July or September 2015 up to Q4 2016, assuming the User Ground Segment is delivered in due time.

**Responsibilities:**
You will be responsible for supporting the monitoring of the User Ground Segment procurement. You will keep our Client fully informed of all issues, strive to uncover technical issues, ensure that problems are addressed and make recommendations for their closure. You will deliver adequate and timely reports. These reports will form an integral part of your duties.

**Main tasks:**
- To manage all technical aspects of the Program with respect to all parts of the System, in order to ensure successful completion
- To interface and report to our Client's Program Manager on program issues, problems and planned resolution.
- To prepare weekly reports that cover major issues, schedule, a summary of status, projected near term work and scheduled meetings. Monthly and Quarterly reports may be required as requested by our Client's Program Manager.
- To participate with our Client's Program Manager in a weekly telephone call with Head Office Team to review status, issues and concerns.
- To keep our Client's Head Office designated staff informed by e-mail, fax or telephone, as issues arise.
- To respond to requests for information from our Client's Program staff.
- To review design documents and test data.
- To participate in meetings and reviews such as Material Review Boards (MRB), Test Readiness Review (TRR), Test Review Board (TRB), Product Assurance Review (PAR), etc.
- To prepare reports and presentations as required and as requested by our Client's Program Manager, typically reports for each of the major phases of the project, e.g. Critical Design Review (CDR) report, Test Readiness Review (TRR) report, Test Review Board
(TRB), Product Assurance Review (PAR), etc.
- To advise our Client's program staff of issues which require to be raised with our Client's own Client.
- To take part to regular trips to our Client's Client facilities, to review on-site work progress, attend site acceptance testing and monitor the way forward to complete system delivery.
- To coach and provide regular trainings to our Client's Client on-site representatives.

Experience & Qualification:
- University diploma in telecommunications or related field;
- A minimum of 5 years of applicable professional experience in the Military User Ground Segment domain (such as Skynet, Syracuse or Yahsat);
- Detailed knowledge of Network Operations Centers, from technical, process and operational perspectives, i.e. from System Logical and Physical breakdowns to Service Order Handling and Incident Management plus also manpower and training requirements;
- Knowledge of baseband connectivity requirements and a wide understanding of all telecommunications systems, including mobile telephony;
- Excellent analytical skills, innovative spirit, business mind, result orientation, ability to provide practical conclusions;
- Technical leadership focusing on system design and integrity throughout system life-cycle;
- Excellent internal and external communication skills as well as team-spirit;
- Project management skills;
- Ability to work independently as well as in interdisciplinary teams;
- Conflict management skills in a multicultural and interdisciplinary set-up;
- Fluency in English; knowledge of French and/or Arabic is a definite plus;
- Computer literacy: MS Office;
- Effective project and time management;
- Willingness to travel internationally including to QATAR during the installation period.

Remuneration and other benefits:
This is a part-time job (6-8 days per month). As a freelance contractor, you can expect an attractive remuneration, commensurate with your experience and competence.

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