No.35/5/2008-EO(F)
Government of India
Ministry of Personnel, P.G.& Pensions
Department of Personnel & Training

North Block, New Delhi-110001
Dated the 10th March 2008

TRAINING CIRCULAR

Subject : UN's /Italy Long-term Fellowship Programme on Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS) and Related Applications to be held in Italy from 29/09/2008 for a period of 12 months.

The undersigned is directed to state that the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs, Vienna, in collaboration with the IEN, Turin, Italy have invited applications for a Masters Programme in Navigation and Related Applications to be held in Italy for a period of 12 months from 29/09/2008. There are 4 slots available globally. The details of the programme and the application form may be drawn from Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions website **(persmin.nic.in)**.

2. The Programme lasts for 12 months, including a period ranging from 4 to 6 months for hands-on pilot project (internship). The programme provides extensive background knowledge in navigation/localization systems as well as a detailed analysis on NAV/COM integration and environmental monitoring applications.

3. The candidates are required to have completed Master Degree or equivalent (5 years University degree) in Aerospace Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Environmental Engineering, Communication Engineering, Information Technology or related subjects. Written and spoken English is required, together with basic knowledge in communication theory and electronics. Candidates are also required to have some experience in the Principles of digital communications and signal processing; Basics of electromagnetic wave propagation; Basics of software tools and programming languages. The candidate should not be more than 40 years of age.

4. The selected participants will receive a grant of about € 8000 for the duration of their fellowship study (12 months) to cover housing, food, local transportation etc. and full tuition fee. However, the nominating agency will have to bear the cost of passport, entry visa, medical examinations, inoculations, domestic travel to and from the international airport of departure for Italy, in the home country. Insurance for the participant for the duration of the fellowship programme study.

5. It is requested that the nomination of the suitable candidates may please be forwarded to this Department in accordance with the eligibility criteria and the terms and conditions of the UN Office's Circular dated 18th February 2008. The Ministries/ State Governments may sponsor the names of only Government/ Public Sector Undertaking functionary.

6. The nomination details should be submitted in the UN's prescribed proformas duly authenticated by the Department concerned alongwith the relevant documents.

7. The applications should reach this Department through proper channel **not later than 26th March 2008.** Nominations received after the prescribed date will not be considered. The circular inviting applications for training courses is available on this Department's website persmin.nic.in

(Trishaljit Sethi)
Director

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2. Ministry of Science & Technology, Technology Bhavan, Mehrauli, New Delhi.

3. Department of Electronics, Electronics Niketan, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, N.Delhi.

4. Ministry of Communications, Sanchar Bhawan, 20, Ashoka Road, N. Delhi-1

5. Ministry Information Technology, Electronics Niketan, 6, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, N.Delhi.

[With the request to circulate it amongst the related organizations under them]

6. All State Governments/ Union Territories

7. Director (Technical), NIC with the request to post the circular along with the UN's circular and the enclosed application Proformas on the Department's website

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UNRCO/NRA-60 18 February 2008

Dear Mrs. Sethi,

The United Nations/Italy Long-term Fellowship Programme
On Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS) and Related Applications

Attached is a letter dated 28 January 2008 from the UN Expert on Space Applications, Office for Outer Space Affairs, United Nations Office at Vienna inviting nominations for the above Fellowship from the developing countries and countries with economies in transition. The nominations may please be forwarded directly to above mentioned office no later than 1 April 2008.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

Hari Mohan
Coordination Associate

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28 January 2008

Dear Sir/Madam,

The United Nations/Italy Long-term Fellowship Programme
On Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS) and Related Applications

Greetings from Vienna, and thank you very much for your collaboration and assistance in support of the United Nations Programme on Space Applications to-date. Once again, we wish to announce and request nominations, through your Office, for the following fellowship programme:

Master in Navigation and Related Applications *– four 12 months fellowships tenable at Politecnico di Torino, Turin, Italy from* ***September 2008****.*

This fellowship programme is being offered, through the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs, by Politecnico di Torino (School of Information Technologies) and Istituto Superiore Mario Boella (ISMB), with the collaboration of Istituto Elettrotecnico Nazionale Galileo Ferraris (IEN), Turin, Italy, for candidates from developing countries and countries with economy in transition.

Copies of information materials issued in respect of this fellowship programme (Information Note, Application Form, Terms of Participation and Referee Report) along with a copy of information booklet published by Politecnico di Torino, are enclosed for your attention and action.

Prospective candidates and their nominating agencies should study these documents carefully and familiarize themselves with the terms for participation in this long-term fellowship programme.

Particular attention should be paid to the following:

- Age of candidate (*Candidate's age should not exceed 40 years*);
- Educational background (*Master Degree or equivalent*);
- Required documentation (*Application Form, Referees' Reports, academic diplomas and transcripts, applicant's CV*).

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cc: Permanent Mission to the United Nations

- Administrative and financial arrangements;
- Termination of a fellowship;
- The deadline for receipt of applications;
- Duration and language of the fellowship programme;
- Obligations/responsibilities of the nominating government/agency in the candidate's home country.

Applicants should complete or arrange for completion of each of the enclosed forms. A completed application set should consist of (i) completed Application Form, (ii) 3 individual Referee Reports on the applicant, one of which should be from his/her direct job/study supervisor, to be mailed independently by the 3 referees, and (iii) copies of education diploma/certificate and academic transcripts.

It will be appreciated if you would promptly circulate the information on the fellowship opportunity, including the documents enclosed with this letter, among relevant agencies and institutions in the country.

May I also suggest that you keep a copy of the documents within your own premises, both for your own reference as well as for reference by potential applicants.

All documents from applicants should be submitted, as requested, to reach the United Nations Expert on Space Applications, United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs, UNOV, P.O. Box 500, A-1400 Vienna, Austria, not later than **15 April, 2008.** All duly nominated candidates will be notified on the outcome of their application by 1 May 2008.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you again for your cooperation, and I look forward to your continuing support of the activities of the United Nations Space Applications Programme.

Yours sincerely,

Alice Lee
UN Expert on Space Applications
Office for Outer Space Affairs

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LONG-TERM FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITY
INFORMATION NOTE

The United Nations/Italy Long-term Fellowship Programme On Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS) and Related Applications

1. **Thematic Area:** Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS).
2. **Title:** Master in Navigation and Related Applications (MNA).
3. **Offering Institutions:** Politecnico di Torino (School of Information Technologies) and Istituto Superiore Mario Boella (ISMB), with the collaboration of Istituto Elettrotecnico Nazionale Galileo Ferraris (IEN), Turin, Italy.
4. **Executing Agency**: United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs, Programme on Space Applications.

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   United Nations Office at Vienna
   P.O. Box 500, A-1400 Vienna, Austria
   Phone: +43-1-26060 4268
   Fax: +43-1-26060 5830
   E-mail: oosa@unvienna.org, kurian.maniyanipurathu@unvienna.org

5. **Duration and Beginning Date:** 12 months, beginning 29 September 2008. Selected participants are encouraged to attend orientation meetings at Politecnico di Torino (first week of September 2008) and Italian language intensive course (starts on the second week of September 2007) prior fellowship study.
6. **Deadline for Applications:** Application form and other required documents (see section 12 below) shall be received in the UN Office for Outer Space Affairs **by 15 April 2008**. Selected candidates will be notified on the outcome of their application by 1 May 2008.
7. **Fellowship Language:** English only
8. **Total Number of Fellowships Available:** Four.
9. **Brief Programme Description:** The Master in Navigation and Related Applications (MNA) Programme starts on 29 September 2008 and lasts for 12 months, including a period ranging from 4 to 6 months for hands-on pilot project (internship). The MNA Program study provides an extensive background knowledge in navigation/localization systems as well as a detailed analysis on NAV/COM integration and environmental monitoring applications.

The MNA Programme includes 80 Educational European Credits (ECTS). Among the 80 credits, 50 credits are earned through taking courses, and 30 are completed as internship in technical laboratories of ISBM and IEN, or hands-on project through a company operating in the field of navigation or in the production of navigation-related applications.

Selected participants should perform the pilot project in a technical lab in their own home country under the supervision of a local expert and in coordination with a member of the scientific committee of the MNA programme.

For additional details please see the attached booklet and visit the website of Politecnico di Torino: http://didattica.polito.it/master/navigation_0809/ .

10. **Financial Arrangements:** The selected participants will each receive a grant from Politecnico di Torino of about EUR 8,000 for the duration of their fellowship study (12 months) to cover housing, food, local transportation, etc. The offering institution will also cover tuition fee in full for these participants.

11. **Admission Requirements:** The MNA Programme candidates are required **to have completed Master Degree or equivalent (5 years University degree)** in Aerospace Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Environmental Engineering, Communication Engineering, Information Technology or related subjects. Other degrees in different technological fields can be considered by the Master Commission.

Written and spoken English is required, together with basic knowledge in communication theory and electronics.

Candidates also should have some experience in the following areas:
- Principles of digital communications and signal processing;
- Basics of electromagnetic wave propagation;
- Basics of software tools (e.g. Matlab) and programming languages (e.g. C).

12. **Application to the Fellowship Programme:** Fully completed application form should be submitted in duplicate by mail to the United Nations Expert on Space Applications **no later than 15 April 2008**. It may also be sent through the Office of the Resident Representative of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in applicant country. To accelerate processing of application, an advance copy should also be e-mailed or faxed directly to the Office for Outer Space Affairs. For additional details, please refer to the enclosed document "Terms of Participation in the Long-term Fellowship Programmes".

13. **Responsibilities of the Nominating Government/Agency/Organization:** The nominating government agency, organization or academic institution should bear the following costs on behalf of the selected participant for the duration of the fellowship programme:
- All expenses in the home country for preparation of travelling abroad, including passport, entry visa, medical examinations, inoculations, and other miscellaneous items, and domestic travel to and from the international airport of departure for Italy, in the home country;
- Salary and related allowances to which a participant may be entitled in his/her country during the period of the fellowship programme study;
- Life insurance and health insurance for the participant for the duration of the fellowship programme study.

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Terms of participation in the long-term fellowship programmes offered through and/or administered by the United Nations Programme on Space Applications

1. Participation

Applicants should be (i) nationals of developing countries or countries with economy in transition, (ii) duly nominated by their governments, (iii) age of candidate should not exceed forty (40) years, (vi) should have the academic and professional backgrounds required by the specific fellowship programme, and (v) should be able to make professional use of the experience gained in the study programme.

2. Documentation Required

a) **Fellowship Application Form** - should be (i) duly completed by the applicant (two copies), (ii) certified on behalf of the nominating government by the certifying officer* and (iii) forwarded by the certifying officer to the United Nations Expert on Space Applications by mail or through the Resident Representative of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in the applicant's country.

An advanced copy of completed and certified application form should be directly send by fax or e-mail to the Office for Outer Space Affairs.

Documents (b), (c) and (e) described below should be completed and forwarded directly to the United Nations Expert on Space Applications by the institution(s) or individual(s) providing the requested information but definitely not by the applicant(s):

b) **Referee Reports**. Three (3) completed Referee reports should be sent by the 3 referees, one of whom should be the employment or study supervisor of applicant, directly to the United Nations as indicated on the form.

c) **Academic certificate**. Two official copies of the education certificate as well as academic transcripts indicating the subjects and examination grades (marks) received in each subject should be submitted directly to the United Nations Expert on Space Applications.

d) **Curriculum vitae** signed and dated by you.

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* The certifying officer shall not be lower in rank than the Head of the applicant's Department, Institution or Ministry. The certifying officer attests to the accuracy of the information provided by the applicant in his/her application form and the *bona fide* status of the applicant in his/her institution.

e) **Diploma or certificate of competence in the language of the fellowship programme.** If the official language of the applicant's country is different from the language of the fellowship programme, a diploma or certificate of competence in the language should be submitted directly to the United Nations Expert on Space Applications. This diploma/certificate should be issued by an accredited language institution or by the local UNDP upon satisfactory establishment of the applicant's competence in the language concerned.

3. **Administrative Arrangements**

a) **Responsibilities of the United Nations**

The United Nations will advertise the information on available fellowships and will, in consultation with the offering government/institutions, select qualified applicants as recipients of fellowship award.

The United Nations also may provide a number of selected participants with international round trip air ticket between the participant's international airport of departure and Turin, Italy.

b) **Responsibilities of the nominating government/agency**

The nominating government/agency will bear the following costs on behalf of the selected participant:

i) All expenses in the home country for preparing the abroad travelling, including passport and visa fees, medical examinations, inoculations, and other miscellaneous items, and domestic travel to and from the international airport of departure, in the home country;

ii) Salary and related allowances to which a participant may be entitled in his/her country during the period of the fellowship programme;

iii) Life insurance and health insurance for the benefit of the participant for the duration of the fellowship programme study.

Special consideration will be given to applicants in the case of their nominating government/agency taking responsibility for covering the round-trip international travel fair from home country to Turin, Italy.

c) **Applicants for a fellowship programme should note that the United Nations and the government/institutions offering the fellowships will NOT assume responsibility for the following expenditures:**

i) Any costs incurred by dependent or spouse who accompany the participant;

ii) Costs incurred by the participant with respect to travel insurance;

iii) Loss or damage of personal property while enrolled in the fellowship programme;

iv) Compensation in the event of death or disability of the participant in connection with his/her enrolment in the fellowship programme;

v) Any claim toward expenses incurred by participants other than what is specified in the fellowship programme description document.

d) **Termination of fellowship**.

The United Nations, in consultation with the offering government/institutions, reserves the right to terminate the fellowship programme of any participant upon commencement of the study if:

i) the participant's academic background regarding the subject of the fellowship programme is found to be inadequate; and/or

ii) the participant's knowledge and understanding of the language of the fellowship programme are found to be inadequate to pursue the programme of study; and/or

iii) the participant fails to observe proper conduct during the course of the fellowship programme study; and/or

iv) the participant withdraws himself/herself from the fellowship programme without any reasonable justification accepted by the offering institution.

In the above cases of the fellowship termination, the UN Office for Outer Space Affairs and offering government/institutions reserve the right to claim from participant or his/her nominating agency cost of air ticket (if it was provided by the United Nations) and/or of the fellowship grant received by the time of termination.

4. **Deadlines for Receipt of Applications**

Only applicants whose completed application forms and all other supporting documents are received by the United Nations in Vienna before or by the deadline established for the fellowship programme, will be considered in the selection process for the fellowship concerned.

Special notice: Applicants should note that selection of fellowship recipients is made on a very competitive basis, as a large number of applications are generally received for a limited number of available fellowships.

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FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION FORM

(To be filled in by typing or in block letters)

The United Nations/Italy Long-term Fellowship Programme
On GNSS and Related Applications (Turin, Italy)
(deadline for submission: 15 April 2008)

Nominee's full Name:

Nominee's institution and country:

Please attach a recent photo here

Hereby is nominated for the *UN/Italy long-term fellowship programme on GNSS and Related Applications.*
The nominating agency/organization
will be able [ ]
will not be able [ ]
to provide nominee's international roundtrip air travel ticket to Turin, Italy.

The nomination is certified by

_____
(Name of head of nominating organization)

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(Official title of certifying officer)

_____
(Signature of head of nominating organization)

Official seal of institution and its e-mail address

Date:

COMPLETED APPLICATION FORMS AND ANNEXES SHOULD BE SENT IN DUPLICATE TO THE UNITED NATIONS OFFICE FOR OUTER SPACE AFFAIRS

Selected candidates will be notified by e-mail or fax by 1 May 2008. Such candidates should then **confirm their acceptance of the offer no later than 10 days after notification.**

Name, official title and professional relationship of three referees who are familiar with the applicant's work and qualifications:

	Name	Title	Relationship
1.			
2.			
3.			

PERSONAL HISTORY

Family name:	First name:	Other names:
Date of birth:	Place of birth:	
Official mailing address:	Home address:	
Phone: Fax: E-mail: E-mail 2:	Nationality/Citizenship	Gender / Marital status
Person to contact in case of emergency: Relationship: Address: Phone: Fax: E-mail:		

EDUCATION

Institution	Dates	Field	Degree

Please indicate your specialization:

- ☐ Electrical Engineering
- ☐ Aerospace Engineering
- ☐ Communication Engineering
- ☐ Information Technology
- ☐ Mechanical engineering
- ☐ Environmental Engineering
- ☐ Computer Science
- ☐ Information Science
- ☐ Physics
- ☐ Other:

Please state an average score/mark of passed exams during your final study: _____
(please indicate a score system - _____ e.g. 1-20 or A-F,
and maximum grade obtainable - _____ e.g. 20 or A)

Those who come from a university which uses credits, please specify the type of system:

- ☐ - ECTS (European system)
- ☐ - USA system
- ☐ - Other (specify):

Publications - list any relevant publications (papers or articles) (Attach an extra page if necessary.):

Relevant courses, workshops, seminars or meetings you have attended in the last five years:			
Location	Title of activity	Duration (dates)	Sponsors

Please state briefly your reasons for applying to participate in this Fellowship Programme:

EMPLOYMENT RECORD

PRESENT POST: Title, unit and organization	
Dates:	Address of organization (including telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail address):
Functions of organization:	
Name of supervisor:	
Description of your work	
PREVIOUS POST: Title, unit and organization	
Dates:	Address of organization (including telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail address):
Functions of organization:	
Name of supervisor:	
Description of your work	

RELEVANT TECHNICAL BACKGROUND/EXPERIENCE

Elements of Signal Processing □ YES □ NO	Elements of Digital Transmission □ YES □ NO	Elements of Communication Systems □ YES □ NO	Elements of Navigation Systems □ YES □ NO
Basics of Communication Receiver Technology □ YES □ NO	Basics of Timing □ YES □ NO	Basics of Electromagnetic Wave Propagation □ YES □ NO	Programming Languages:

CERTIFICATION OF KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH

Name of candidate:

ABILITY TO UNDERSTAND SPEECH ❑ Understands without difficulty ❑ Understands almost everything ❑ Requires frequent repetition	ABILITY TO SPEAK ❑ Speaks fluently ❑ Speaks intelligibly ❑ Speaks haltingly
ABILITY TO WRITE ❑ Writes with ease and accuracy ❑ Writes slowly ❑ Writes with difficulty	ABILITY TO READ ❑ Reads fluently ❑ Reads slowly ❑ Translates with difficulty

Other remarks:

TOELF Certificate: □ YES □ NO

Certification by language examiner.

Language tested by

_____
(Name)

_____
(Title of examiner)

_____
(Institution, city, country)

Date of examination:

Signature of examiner:

Seal of Language Institution

Please enclose your Curriculum Vitae, signed and dated by you, to this application form.

CANDIDATE'S CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the statements that I have made in this application form are true, correct and complete.

If selected, I hereby confirm that I will comply to the Terms of Reference of the Programme and I will make myself available for duration of the entire Fellowship.

Date: Signature of candidate:

This form, FULLY COMPLETED, should be submitted in duplicate by mail to the United Nations Expert on Space Applications, Office for Outer Space Affairs, United Nations Office at Vienna, Vienna International Centre, P.O. Box 500, A-1400 Vienna, Austria, **no later than 15 April 2008**. You may also send this application form through the Office of the Resident Representative of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in your country.

To accelerate processing of your application, you should also fax an advance copy directly to the Office for Outer Space Affairs, fax: (+43 1) 26060 5830, or e-mail it to the following addresses:
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NOTE: THIS APPLICATION IS VALID, ONLY IF **ALL AND EVERY** INFORMATION REQUESTED IS PROVIDED.

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REFEREE'S REPORT

The United Nations/Italy Long-term Fellowship Programme
On GNSS and Related Applications
1 year, starting in September 2008, Turin, Italy
(deadline for submission: 15 April 2008)

Name of applicant _____
First Middle Last or family

Country of applicant _____

Name of referee _____
First Middle Last or family

Title of referee _____

Affiliation and mailing address of referee _____

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The portion above should be completed by applicant

To the referee: Please complete the sections below. Your accurate evaluation of the applicant named above is essential to the successful implementation of the United Nations Programme on Space Applications. Your comments on the applicant will be kept confidential.

1. I have known this applicant (check as appropriate) as a graduate student ( ), as a research assistant ( ), as a professional colleague ( ), other ( )

2. I was acquainted with the professional work of the applicant from _____ to _____

3. I had an excellent _____ good _____ fair _____ poor _____ opportunity to observe his/her professional work.

4. In comparison with other individuals of similar training and experience, what is your evaluation of the applicant with respect to the following:

Knowledge of fundamentals in subjects relevant to or required for the fellowship programme: Outstanding _____ Good _____ Average _____ Poor _____

Ability to make good scientific judgements:

Ability in self-expression:

Knowledge of language of the course:

5. In comparison with other individuals of similar training and experience, what is your evaluation of the applicant with respect to overall scientific or engineering ability: Outstanding _____ Good _____ Average _____ Poor _____

6. The applicant will have _____ will not have _____ adequate opportunities in his/her country to make use of the skills to be gained through this fellowship programme.

7. If you respond in item (6) that the applicant will have adequate opportunities in his/her country, please describe the specific details of such opportunities.

8. Other comments that you think might be helpful in assessing the applicant's ability and potential.

Signature of referee _____ Date _____

NOTE: In order to a proper evaluation of the applicant, the referee should kindly return this form (completed) directly to the United Nations Expert on Space Applications, Office for Outer Space Affairs, Vienna International Centre, P.O. Box 500, A-1400 Vienna, Austria, e-mail: oosa@unvienna.org and kurian.maniyanipurathu@unvienna.org.