2017-00162 - Development in OS architecture for IoT (H/F)

Contract type: Public service fixed-term contract
Level of qualifications required: Graduate degree or equivalent
Fonction: Temporary scientific engineer
Corps d’accueil: Ingénieur de Recherche (IR)
Level of experience: Up to 3 years

About the research centre or Inria department

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General Information

- Theme/Domain: Networks and Telecommunications
  System & Networks (BAP E)
- Town/city: Villeneuve d’Ascq
- Inria Center: CRI Lille - Nord Europe
- Starting date: 3/1/18
- Duration of contract: 12 months
- Deadline to apply: 6/30/18

Contacts

- Inria Team: FUN
- Recruiter: Mitton Nathalie / nathalie.mitton@inria.fr

The keys to success

Beyond your technical abilities, you are a real asset to the team by your ability to explain things and contribute to

Conditions for application

Defence Security:
This position is likely to be situated in a restricted area (ZRR), as defined in Decree No. 2011-1425 relating to the protection of national scientific and technical potential (PPST). Authorisation to enter an area is granted by the director of the unit, following a favourable Ministerial decision, as defined in the decree of 3 July 2012 relating to the PPST. An unfavourable Ministerial decision in respect of a position situated in a ZRR would result in the cancellation of the appointment.

Recruitment Policy:
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Warning: you must enter your e-mail address in order to save your application to Inria. Applications must be submitted online on the Inria website. Processing of applications sent from other channels is not guaranteed.
This mission is in the context of the collaborative project VESSEDIA.

The VESSEDIA project (Verification Engineering of Safety and Security Critical Industrial Applications) aims at improving the safety and security for information and communication technologies, particularly for Internet-of-Things (IoT). More precisely, the goal of the project is to make formal methods easier to use for application domains that want to improve the safety and the security of their software by the help of formal methods.

The role of Inria in the VESSEDIA project is mainly to apply the formal verification tools enhanced by the project to a particular use-case: the Contiki operating system, which is a lightweight open-source OS for Internet-of-Things devices. Contiki provides the basic features of an OS (resource management, scheduling, ...), supports 17 different hardware platforms and different libraries (for example an IPv6 stack). Currently, the verification relies on a specific hardware platform and a specific set of static configuration.

Assignment

With the support of the FUN researchers working on VESSEDIA, the role of the engineer will be to identify and extract a hardware/software interface common to the different hardware platforms (that is currently not clearly defined), to identify and classify the set of configurations (and the constraints that can exist between them) that can be specified about an instance of Contiki, and to produce the skeleton of a generic platform that could be specified. This task will require to follow some of the evolution proposed by Contiki-NG.

Main activities

- Improve the global architecture of Contiki, at the hardware/software interaction level
- Help the members of the team to understand this architecture and its configurations
- Take in account some evolutions in Contiki-NG (next generation)

Beyond these technical tasks, the engineer is expected to assist the FUN team in the project commitments such as deliverables writing, project meeting, etc.

Skills

Knowledge in embedded systems or internet of things

Programming language C

Spoken English

Autonomy

The ability to work in a team

(Optional) experience with Contiki

(Optional) all links to work done in C would be appreciated

Benefits package

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Remuneration

The position is open:

- to Inria's internal mobility, remuneration according to statutory conditions
- in civil service fixed-term, remuneration according to experience between 30K € and 35K € gross annual.