The Earth and Space Science Open Archive (ESS OA) is looking for a dynamic, well-organized scientist with strong leadership skills to serve a 2-year term as the Editor-in-Chief (EiC) starting in early 2024.

The EiC is an active scientist, well-known and well-regarded in their discipline. Working with the ESS OA editorial board, advisory board, and ESS OA staff, the EiC is the arbiter of the content of the server setting editorial policies, and in conjunction with the editorial board, is responsible for screening, moderating and approving submissions.

Among other functions, the EiC is responsible for:

- With the editorial board, evaluating and approving submissions promptly
- Helping develop and refine acceptance criteria and communicating them to the editorial board
- Leading editorial board recruitment to ensure balanced coverage of submissions
- Helping provide overall strategic direction for ESS OA
- Serving as an ambassador to the scientific community and be the public voice of ESS OA
- Conducting editorial board meetings and attending advisory board meetings
- With the AGU Publications Ethics team, making decision on ethical issues
- Reviewing and contributing to periodic monitoring reports

The Earth and Space Science Open Archive is a community server established to accelerate the open discovery and dissemination of Earth, environmental, and space science research by archiving and sharing early research outputs, including preprints, presentations from major scientific meetings and important documents of scholarly societies.

ESS OA receives a wide range of submissions spanning the Earth and space sciences, including:

- Atmospheric Sciences
- Geophysics
- Hydrology
- Climatology (Global Change)
- Geology
- Oceanography
- Environmental Sciences
- Meteorology
- Geochemistry
- Solar System Physics

ESS OA receives approximately 3500 submissions per year. Candidates can expect to spend around 2 hours per week managing submissions, plus other duties as needed. ESS OA is a venue for sharing preliminary communications of new research for feedback prior to peer review. As such, submissions are screened only to ensure they are appropriately scientific in nature. The EiC is also expected to commit and contribute to efforts to promoting diversity, equity, inclusion and accessibility in scholarly publishing. The EiC position includes a quarterly honorarium, a travel stipend and waived registration to the AGU Annual Meeting.

AGU strongly encourages candidates from outside the US to apply. If you would like to be considered for the EiC position, send your curriculum vitae with a letter of interest via email to pubmatters@agu.org. If you would like to nominate a highly qualified colleague, send a letter of recommendation to the same email address. Please make sure that you specify Earth and Space Science Open Archive in the subject line of the email.

Deadline for applications is 22 December 2023.