



Internship Assignment

Sustainable Development Mechanisms (SDM) Programme
Regulatory Implementation Unit

Announcement number	Duration of assignment	Duty Station
17/Intern08/SDM/RIU	2-6 months	Bonn, Germany

Background

The United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) is the focus of the political process to address Climate Change. The secretariat supports the Convention, the Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Agreement through a range of activities, including substantive and organizational support to meetings of the Parties.

The Sustainable Development Mechanisms (SDM) programme is leading in the development and effective implementation of innovative approaches to broaden the engagement in and effectiveness of action to mitigate climate change and drive sustainable development. SDM supports the operationalization of the cooperative approaches established by Article 6 of the Paris Agreement and broader efforts to engage non-Party stakeholders in climate action. SDM manages the NAZCA (Non-State Actor Zone for Climate Action) platform, supports the COP Presidencies' Climate Action Champions and supports the implementation of the three Kyoto mechanisms - the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM), Joint Implementation (JI), and International Emissions Trading (IET).

Objectives of the internship assignment

The internship assignment is with the Regulatory Implementation Unit (RIU). The Unit is responsible for leading the delivery of services essential to the continuation of the mechanisms until 2023 and beyond. The Registry and Analytics Team (within RIU) develops and maintains the CDM Registry including analysis of internal and external data in support of programme management and future roles of the mechanisms and the CDM Registry.

Under the supervision of the Analytics Officer (P-3) and the Registry and Analytics Team Lead (P-4) and as part of the Regulatory Implementation Unit, the intern will assist the SDM programme in ensuring the timeliness and quality of the internal information reporting systems.

The information reporting system contains information related to CDM Activities, stakeholders and financial data. Its main objective is to provide the necessary information to SDM staff at various levels to help them to discharge their functions of organizing, planning, control and decision making.

The particular functions are:

- Converting the current data management system (Stata) into a free software environment (R);
- Contributing to the creation of new information systems connecting different IT environments and adding new features;
- Contributing to the development of online campaigns;
- Reviewing and improving the current statistical models.



Learning areas

During the period of the internship, a successful applicant will develop a deep understanding of the issues related to major climate change players and project implementation; further develop research and SharePoint skills; and get an understanding of matters related to the implementation of capacity building policies and project activities.

Timeframe

The internship is for a period of minimum two to maximum six months. The exact period will be determined based on the availability of the intern, the needs of the programme, and the intern's on-going university enrolment and performance.

Requirements

- Candidates must have completed an undergraduate degree and be enrolled in a Master's or Doctorate programme at a recognized university at the time of application and for the duration of the internship.
- **Language skills:** Fluency in both written and verbal English is essential. A working knowledge of R, Stata and SQL as well as some knowledge of Python, Java or SharePoint would be an advantage. Studies in the field of statistics, mathematics or IT/computer science is desirable.

Internship conditions

UNFCCC secretariat internships are not remunerated and the selected intern will be responsible for all costs before, during and after the internship assignment. Interns of the UNFCCC secretariat are not considered to be staff members. The selected intern will work on a full-time basis (i.e. 40 hours per week) at the UNFCCC premises in Bonn, Germany.

Application procedure

Candidates who are interested in this assignment and meet the minimum requirements are encouraged to send their curriculum vitae and a cover letter to internship@unfccc.int with the subject line: "Application: Internship: Analytics – Data management and statistics". Due to the high number of applications, only candidates under serious consideration will be contacted for a telephone interview.
