

Internship Assignment

Intergovernmental Support and Collective Progress Division Collective Progress Sub-division

Application deadline	Announcement number	Duration of assignment
28 February 2023	22/Intern42ISCP-Communications	Three to six months (preference for six months)

Background

The United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) is the focus of the political process to address Climate Change. The UNFCCC secretariat supports the Convention, its Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Agreement through a range of activities, including substantive and organizational support to meetings of the Parties and the implementation of commitments. It is a dynamic organization working in a politically challenging environment to help resolve one of the defining issues of our time.

This position is located with the UNFCCC secretariat in Bonn, Germany, in the Intergovernmental Support and Collective Progress Division, and more specifically the Collective Progress subdivision which coordinates the workstreams on the global stocktake/technical dialogue under the Paris Agreement.

Objective of the remote internship and responsibilities

The intern will work with the members of the collective progress sub-division and under the supervision of the programme officer responsible for the work on the global stocktake/technical dialogue.

Primary tasks include:

Support to the intergovernmental process:

- Assisting in the preparations for the technical dialogue of the first global stocktake, including preparing background documents, speaking notes and other relevant material;
- Supporting relevant in-session meetings and consultations to gain understanding of issues, taking notes and preparing reports.
- Supporting with event logistics, outreach and communication and other matters as they may arise.

Contributing towards the organization of relevant meetings and events:

- Assisting in the preparations for in-session mandated events on the global stocktake, including liaison with participants, agenda preparation, note taking and report writing;
- Participating in relevant meetings and virtual events, with a view to gain understanding of issues under other work streams and support coordinated action by the sub-division to communicate knowledge on the global stocktake and support relevant processes and activities.



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• Supporting communication and outreach activities:

- Assisting with outreach and communication via social media, website, newsroom articles and other appropriate channels to make the work of the sub-division more widely accessible;
- Providing communication assistance to events and meetings through drafting preevent outreach materials, taking notes during event, and preparing post event communication material, including reports.
- Contributing to the development and implementation of a 'communications and stakeholder engagement strategy' to support the work of the global stocktake/technical dialogue
- Updating the global stocktake webpages
- Assisting in the research and preparation of written content for communications and outreach purposes to increase the visibility of the work of the global stocktake/technical dialogue

Timeframe

The internship is for a minimum period of three and maximum of six months within the period April 2023 to December 2023. The exact period will be determined based on the availability of the intern and the needs of the division.

The selected intern can either work remotely with their own computer/internet access, or in-person in Bonn, on a full-time basis (40 hours per week). An in person internship is strongly preferred, to assist with the SBSTA events in Bonn.

Minimum requirements

- Candidates must be enrolled in the final academic year of a first university degree (minimum Bachelor's degree or equivalent) or a graduate school programme (second university degree or equivalent, or higher) at a recognized university at the time of application and during the entire period of internship.
- Studies in a topic related to climate change (such as natural, political or social science, sustainable development, international relations, or a related discipline) are an asset.
- Candidates must be fluent in English (both oral and written) and have strong writing and note-taking skills.
- Demonstrated oral and written communication skills are required.
- The ability to work in a multi-cultural and multi-disciplinary environment is a requirement.
- Skills in science communications are an asset.
- Strong Office 365 skills (particularly excel)

Computer requirements

For a remote internship, candidates will require a **laptop or desktop PC** (with Windows 10 or newer) or **Mac** (with the latest MacOS update), as well as a **reliable**, **high-speed internet** connection. An Office 365 license will be provided by the UNFCCC to enable the candidate to access official emails, SharePoint, OneDrive and other office applications, such as Word and Excel.

Further computer requirements:

- An antivirus application which receives regular updates;
- Browsers must be a newer version with regular updates enabled;
- Regular Windows 10 updates should be enabled with Windows laptop or PC.



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In addition, a **mobile phone** will be required to enable Multifactor Authentication (MFA) through SMS or the Authenticator App.

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. For more detailed information about UNFCCC Internship programme please visit the internship section on our recruitment <u>webpage</u>.

Application procedure

Candidates who are interested in this assignment and meet the minimum requirements must use the <u>on-line application system</u> **and include a cover letter**. Due to the high number of applications, only candidates under serious consideration will be contacted for a telephone or Skype interview.