



Internship Assignment

Sustainable Development Mechanisms (SDM) Programme Yearbook publication and NAZCA evolution

Announcement number	Application deadline	Duration of assignment
18/Intern22/SDM_Yearbook publication and NAZCA evolution	27 May 2018	Three to six months

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). SDM also manages and promotes Global Climate Action (GCA) with the aim to catalyze the expansion and success of actors and initiatives to take action on climate change.

Objectives of the internship assignment

The intern will assist the Global Climate Action Manager and Lead in preparation of a Yearbook on the Marrakech Partnership on Global Climate Action (MPGCA) and evolution of Non-State Actor Zone for Climate Action (NAZCA).

The Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action was launched at COP22 in Marrakech to provide a strong roadmap for the UNFCCC process to catalyse and support climate action by Parties and non-Party stakeholders in the period from 2017 to 2020.

The first Yearbook of Climate Action was launched at COP 23. The Yearbook captures the climate actions of businesses, investors, cities, regions and civil society, demonstrating that non-Party stakeholders are steadily progressing to achieve the central goal of the Paris Agreement – to limit the rise of global average temperatures to well below 2 degrees Celsius and as close as possible to 1.5 degrees.

NAZCA captures the commitments to climate action by companies, cities, subnational, regions, investors, and civil society organizations. NAZCA aims to track the mobilization and action that are helping countries achieve and exceed their national commitments to address climate change.

The intern will closely work with the Global Climate Action team.



The particular functions are:

- Assist in conducting the research to prepare the relevant sections of the 2018 Yearbook pertaining to climate action in advancing the Paris Agreement, scale and scope of climate action on the ground, achievements made in 2018, opportunities for the future, and policy recommendations;
- Assist in reviewing the existing and relevant publications on climate action;
- Support coordination of written input from members of the drafting group, and incorporate feedback into the Yearbook content;
- Analyze outcomes from relevant meetings taking place in the run-up to COP24, and incorporate information, as appropriate, into the Yearbook;
- Assist the Yearbook focal point in coordinating design, infographics and other style aspects of the Yearbook with the publisher;
- Assist the focal point in conducting research, data consolidation and reporting pertaining to NAZCA evolution;
- Assist in preparing for the meetings related to NAZCA evolution.

Timeframe

The internship is for a period of three to 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 PhD programme at a recognized university - at the time of application and for the duration of the internship - in the area of **natural sciences, environmental studies, international relations business administration, economics, communication, public policy, journalism** or related discipline. Candidates must be fluent in English (both oral and written) and have strong writing skills.

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 (40 hours per week) at the UNFCCC premises in Bonn, Germany. For more detailed information about UNFCCC Internship programme please visit the internship section on our recruitment [webpage](#).

Application procedure

Candidates who are interested in this assignment and meet the minimum requirements must use the [on-line application system](#) and include a cover letter. Due to the high number of applications, only candidates under serious consideration will be contacted for a telephone interview.