

CARLO SCHMID PROGRAMME
FOR INTERNSHIPS IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS AND EU INSTITUTIONS
PLACEMENT OFFER 2016/2017

Reference No.: UNECE-FAO1, Genf - Forestry and Timber Section

Name of host organisation	United Nations Economic Commission for Europe / Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Forestry and Timber Section
Internship Coordinator	Mr. Florian Steierer
Address	8-12 Avenue de la Paix Palais des Nations, CH-1211 Geneva 10 Switzerland
Homepage	www.unece.org/forests

Placement Offer

Dates/duration	01.09.2016 – 28.02.2017, 6 months
Supervisor	Mr Roman Michalak, Acting Chief, UNECE/FAO Forestry and Timber Section
Detailed description of the internship project(s); tasks assigned	<p>Sustainable development and greener economies are among the main goals supported by the work of the United Nations. To achieve these goals the bio-based industry is gaining more importance and is developing quickly. The forest industry contributes in many ways to this development by providing renewable resources such as timber, wood fibres, energy, food and chemical agents, etc.</p> <p>The joint UNECE/FAO Forestry and Timber Section, is providing a framework for leading the forest sector towards a global bio-based economy by proposing objectives, actions, and connecting with relevant stakeholders. There is a need to understand and analyse how wood is harvested from forests and then used, as well as how the market (i.e. demand and supply of wood fibres) is affected by the changes induced by the development of bio-based industries.</p> <p>One of the leading principles of the UNECE/FAO Forestry and Timber Section is <i>“sound analysis based on sound data will enable sound policy decisions”</i>. The Carlo Schmid fellow can make a significant contribution by supporting the UNECE/FAO on the following areas of its work:</p> <p>Forest Sector Outlook</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide support to the Team of Specialists on Forest Sector Outlook Studies in the UNECE region • Analyse the current trends and potential future developments in wood use for energy and products. <p>Wood Energy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collect, validate, analyse and publish data on wood used for energy generation (Joint Wood Energy Enquiry); • Improve cross-sectoral cooperation with other international organisations in the field of renewable energy data (i.e. IEA, Eurostat, etc.). <p>Sustainable forest management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop an interactive database on the pan-European indicators; • Contribute to the analysis, management and structure of the UNECE/FAO data on forests management, functions and services; • Measure progress made towards achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). <p>Forest products</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy input of forest policies; • Assist migration of the database to a new dissemination system. <p>The <i>UNECE/FAO Forestry and Timber Section</i> hosts two meetings of its parent</p>

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	<p>bodies every year. The <i>Committee on Forests and the Forest Industry</i> is a high level policy meeting of member States usually taking place in November. The <i>Working Party on Forest Statistics, Economics and Management</i> focuses more on technical discussions of the policy-data interface and usually takes place at the end of March. These meetings will be highly interesting for the DAAD incumbent, since the incumbent will experience the practical interaction between countries and work of UNECE/FAO secretariat. Thus, the incumbent will learn how countries provide feedback on the work delivered by the secretariat and the tasks to be accomplished.</p>
Training components and learning elements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Candidates will develop a high level of individual responsibility and teamwork, they will receive the necessary support and guidance; • Exposure to international forestry, bioenergy, and climate change issues; • Develop knowledge of working procedures of international organizations; • Cooperation with other organizations such as the European Commission, FAO, etc.; • Collect, check, analyse data and management of significant amounts of data (Access, Excel)
Participation in missions or training courses	<p>As is feasible and related to responsibilities. In the past DAAD fellows have participated in missions to cities in the UNECE region. Website training (typo3) may be possible.</p>
Additional comments	<p>The Forestry and Timber Section implements the UNECE/FAO integrated programme of work on timber and forestry. It covers many aspects of forestry, including policy, markets, climate change, resources, long-term outlooks and capacity building work. Geneva has a large and active intern community which organizes a number of events. Geneva also has a high concentration of international organizations, enabling interns to share information, and compare experiences and working practices.</p> <p>Previous CSP interns have been successful in using this experience for employment in international fields and one former incumbent is working in the team.</p>

Required Qualifications

Academic qualification (student, B.A., M.A.)	<p>Should have a Diploma/Master but a Bachelor or Zwischenprüfung is also acceptable. It is not necessary to be currently enrolled in a university, although successful candidates must have been recently enrolled (within the past year).</p>
Subjects	<p>Economics, social sciences, biology, statistics, environmental sciences, forestry or another related field.</p>
Language Skills	<p>Good command of English. Ability to read, speak and/or write Russian and/or French would be an asset.</p>
Computer literacy	<p>Should be experienced in MS Office and data processing/dissemination, database management software and related (e.g. Access, SAS, or Visual Basic) would be a plus.</p>
Internship-related experiences	<p>None required, although ideally would be familiar with working in international environment.</p>
Additional skills/requirements	<p>Experience in organizing (international) meetings would be a plus.</p>

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Supervisor	Ekrem Yazici, UNECE/FAO Forestry and Timber Section
Detailed description of the internship project(s); tasks assigned	<p>One of the leading principles of the UNECE/FAO Forestry and Timber Section is <i>“Sound analysis based on sound data will enable sound policy decisions”</i>.</p> <p>The UNECE and FAO, in collaboration with many stakeholders, developed an Action Plan for the Forest Sector in a Green Economy (Rovaniemi Action Plan) that was adopted by Member States in December 2013. The Action Plan describes how the forest sector in the UNECE region could lead the way towards a global bio-based economy. It identifies an overall vision, strategies and a number of areas of activity. For each area of activity, it proposes objectives, actions, and identifies potential actors.</p> <p>The General Assembly approved the resolution 70/1 <i>“Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development”</i>. The resolution contains a strong mandate for regional commissions of the UN. The new goals and targets will come into effect on 1 January 2016 and will guide the decisions we take over the next 15 years. The Forestry and Timber Section will work to implement the Agenda, in particular goal 15, at the regional level, taking into account different national realities, capacities and levels of development and respecting national policies and priorities.</p> <p>The intern will be working within the forestry governance and policy field of the section, which also incorporates capacity-building. The UNECE/FAO Forestry and Timber Section is set within a science-policy interface, which implies a stakeholder inclusion from the ministries of the UNECE member countries, as well as academia and research institutes and representatives from the private sector. One area of focus will be on national forestry policy dialogues, as well as the regional and national coordination of forest policies. The second area will be in reviewing the development of the Rovaniemi Action Plan on the green economy. Potential areas of work could be integrating the Rovaniemi Action Plan with the Sustainable Development Goals of the post 2013 agenda.</p> <p>The Carlo Schmid fellow can make a significant contribution by supporting the UNECE/FAO on forest policy, governance and analysis such as:</p> <p>Forestry Policy Dialogue:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalize the study on forest ownership; • Reporting on forest relevant indicators for the reporting on Sustainable Development Goals; • Develop of national forestry dialogues, as well as background support for the regional and national coordination of forestry policies; • Analyse the impact of forest policy in the past 15 years in Eastern Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS); • Assist the secretariat to service Teams of Specialists on Forest Policy and Forest

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	<p>Sector Outlook.</p> <p>Green Economy from a forest policy perspective:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewing actions taken to support the green economy and the progress made toward achieving the goals; • Analyse how the idea of a green economy influences real policy making; • Improve measuring the progress made by the forest sector in its contribution towards a greener economy.
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Additional comments	<p>The Forestry and Timber Section implements the UNECE/FAO integrated programme of work on timber and forestry. The UNECE region includes countries from North America, Europe, Russia and Central Asia and therefore has a wide range in forestry policies. The Forestry and Timber section implements the UNECE/FAO integrated programme of work on timber and forestry. The latter also entails a forestry policy focus which incorporates the link between sustainable forest management and a green economy approach. It addresses the interaction between forest policies and other sectors such as wood energy, land use and the forest extent. The implications of climate change and adaptation measures are covered by the integrated programme of work. In order to support the work of the section, four work areas and teams of specialists have been established by the secretariat which aim at data monitoring and assessment, policy dialogue & advice, communication and outreach and capacity-building.</p> <p>Previous CSP interns have been successful in using this experience for employment in international fields and one former incumbent is working in the team.</p>

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