

**CARLO SCHMID PROGRAMME**  
FOR INTERNSHIPS IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS AND EU INSTITUTIONS  
PLACEMENT OFFER 2020/2021

**Reference No.: FAO-UNECE1, Genf - Environmental and Forestry Communication**

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	<a href="http://www.unece.org/forests">www.unece.org/forests</a>

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Dates/duration	01.10.2020 - 31.03.2021, 6 months
Supervisor	Ms. Paola DEDA, Chief, UNECE/FAO Forestry and Timber Section
Detailed description of the internship project(s); tasks assigned	<p>About the organisation:</p> <p>The Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) is one of five regional commissions of the United Nations. It was founded in 1947 with the purpose of contributing to the region's economic and social development. Its mission is to promote pan-European economic integration and cooperation as well as sustainable development and economic prosperity among its 56 member States.</p> <p>About the section:</p> <p>The Joint UNECE/FAO Forestry and Timber Section supports the implementation of Integrated Program of Work and serves as the Secretariat of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN (FAO) European Forestry Commission (EFC) and the UNECE Committee on Forestry and Forest Industries (COFFI), which cover work areas on forest and timber data, monitoring and assessment, policy dialogue and advice, communication and outreach and capacity-building. The overall goal of the Integrated Programme of Work 2018-2021 for COFFI and the EFC, their technical bodies (the joint UNECE/FAO Working Party for Forests Statistics, Economics and Management and the Teams of Specialists), is to support member States, international organizations and relevant stakeholders in their efforts to sustainably manage and use forests so that they provide products and ecosystem services to benefit society.</p> <p>Fields of work for the CSP intern:</p> <p>The intern will be supporting <b>environmental and forestry communication</b> campaigns to promote the International Day of Forests and the dissemination of information by designing campaigns, organising events, writing press releases, communicating via social media and producing flyers and other information material as required. Coordination and collaboration with the regional Team of Specialists on Forest Communication – the Forest Communicators' Network will be possible. Communicating effectively within and outside the forest sector is essential to promote sustainable forest management. Enhancing the efforts of COFFI and EFC to reach out to relevant constituencies, to draw attention to the regional priorities in the forest sector and to increase the dissemination of the information and tools produced, at national, regional and global levels, will make an important contribution to the Agenda 2030. Topics which might be covered in communication campaigns include in relation to forests: sustainable fashion (wood-based fibres), forest products, monitoring, statistics, capacity-building, wood energy, green jobs, ecosystem services, circular economy etc.</p> <p>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 States, as well as academia and research institutes and representatives from the private sector. The section is hosting two regular intergovernmental meetings per year, the session of the UNECE COFFI, which is a high-level meeting and the Working Party meeting on Forest Statistics, Economics and Management, which is a meeting of a technical body. The intern</p>

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Training components and learning elements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Candidates will develop a high level of individual responsibility with a back-up of a team, they will receive support and guidance on their work and are encouraged to develop/or take on their own projects;</li> <li>• Guidance/training on writing press releases will be provided;</li> <li>• Exposure to international forest and environmental policies and politics; regional communication; and sustainable development within the framework of the Agenda 2030;</li> <li>• Develop knowledge of working procedures of international organizations and the UN Secretariat;</li> <li>• Cooperation with member States and with other organizations such as FAO, UNFF, Forest Europe etc.</li> </ul>
Participation in missions or training courses	While the UNECE/FAO Forestry and Timber Section encourages that DAAD fellows to attend meetings and conferences related to responsibilities at the duty station, participation to meetings held outside the duty station are subject to available resources. This may include missions to cities in the UNECE region. Website training may be possible.
Additional comments	Geneva has a large and active intern community which organizes several events. It also has a high concentration of international organizations, enabling interns to share information, and compare experiences and working practices. Previous CSP interns have been successful in using this experience for employment in international fields and three former incumbents are working in the team.

## Required Qualifications

Academic background	BA student <input type="checkbox"/> BA graduate or equivalent: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MA student <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MA graduate or equivalent: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>  <b>Interns MUST be enrolled for the duration of the internship!</b> <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO  Successful candidates must have been recently enrolled (within the past year).
Subjects	International relations, communications, forest science, environmental science, economics, social sciences, biology or another related field.
Language Skills	Good command of English. Ability to read, speak and/or write Russian and/or French would be an asset.
Computer literacy	Should be experienced in MS Office; photoshop, Drupal and/or video editing would be a plus.
Internship-related experiences	None required, although ideally would be familiar with working in international environment.
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