Communications Internship, Content Specialist
Global Communications Team
ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability
ICLEI World Secretariat
Bonn, Germany

ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability is a global network of more than 2,500 local and regional governments committed to sustainable urban development. Active in more than 125 countries, we influence sustainability policy and drive local action for low emission, nature-based, equitable, resilient and circular development. Our Members and team of experts work together through peer exchange, partnerships and capacity building to create systemic change for urban sustainability.

The Communications Intern – Content Specialist will support the Global Communications team at the ICLEI World Secretariat in Bonn, Germany in delivering on the strategic and project objectives of ICLEI.

The objective of the internship is to give you a first-hand impression of the day-to-day working environment of a global NGO, and you will get to work with our people and partners. The internship will offer a wide range of activities for those interested in urban development, digital communications and international sustainable development advocacy. Interns will have firsthand experience of working strategically with technical experts to expand their impact and effectiveness.

As part of our team, working directly with sustainability professionals and senior management, you will be exposed to global conferences, participate in meetings, and contribute to projects and the organizational goals of ICLEI. Interns should expect to amass a robust portfolio by the end of the internship.

The content intern will also support the marketing, communications and advocacy goals of the following events, if they overlap with the duration of the internship:

June 2024: The fourth annual Daring Cities forum. This event is a unique event bringing together the boldest local and regional governments from around the world who are taking clear and decisive action to address the climate emergency.

June 2024: ICLEI’s Triennial World Congress, bringing together the local and regional leaders who are a part of our network for cities and regions committed to sustainability.

November 2024: The UNFCCC Climate Conference COP29, where ICLEI serves as an official representative of the constituency of local and regional governments and has a significant role in the participation of these entities at the COP.

The aim of this call is to find multiple candidates for 3–6-month internships covering the period between March 2024 and December 2024.

**Tasks**

The Content Intern will support the work on global communications in mainly one or more of the following working areas:

- Development of communications content for digital marketing campaigns
• Researching and writing blog posts for CityTalk, ICLEI’s blog
• Researching and writing social media posts, especially for LinkedIn
• Updating website content and additional web copy writing
• Support on digital newsletter publication and distribution
• Desk research and data and image gathering for digital content
• All interns are also expected to provide general support tasks to the Communications Team as they arise, including support for community engagement on social channels; newsletter administration and distribution; regular maintenance of websites, such a website inventories, plug-in updates etc.

Main requirements

• Enrolled student in a Bachelor or Master course in a relevant subject
• Excellent command of English; fluency in Spanish and Portuguese also a plus
• Familiarity with project management tools, web editing experience (e.g. WordPress or other CMS) and/or desktop publishing software (preferably InDesign or Canva)
• Positive, flexible and proactive work attitude
• Very good communication and writing skills

Terms and conditions

• The position is available for voluntary internships of three months and for mandatory internships up to six months. No internship may be shorter than three months.
• Start date from 1 March 2024 or later.
• Priority will be given to those interns who are in or can relocate to Bonn, Germany. Remote internships may be considered if living in Germany.
• The intern will be supervised by and report to the Senior Officers or Officers on the Communications team
• Remuneration: 1000 Euros per month (full time) before taxes and social insurance fees; 2 days of leave per full month
• Workings hours: 40 per week (full time)
• Working language: English
• The contract will be based on German law.
• Non-EU citizens are welcome to apply. Due to legal requirements, applicants must possess or be eligible to obtain the appropriate work permit for Germany prior to the start of the position. ICLEI can support applicants in their application for a work permit.

Application

• By email to careers (dot) bonn (at) iclei (dot) org. Please write “Communications internship, Content Specialist” in the subject line and send us:
  o Relevant documents such as letter of motivation, enrolment certificate, visa/work permit if non-EU citizen (Aufenthaltstitel), proof of mandatory internship and CV merged into one single pdf. of up to 5 MB size
  o Indication of the possible start date
  o Indication of envisaged duration of internship: a maximum of six months (if mandatory).
Equal Opportunity and Employment Policy

ICLEI World Secretariat’s hiring policy is geared to ensure that the organization hires employees without regard to their race, color, religion, national origin, citizenship, age, gender, marital status, socio-economic background or sexual orientation. ICLEI’s policy is that applicants for employment and career progression are considered solely on the basis of their relevant qualifications and competencies.

Kindly note that applications will be reviewed continuously upon arrival, therefore submitting your application as soon as possible is advisable. The ICLEI World Secretariat shall only contact those applicants shortlisted for this position.

Application Deadline: 22 February 2024, applicants will be considered on a rolling basis as well

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