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Internship vacancy



The European Parliament in Brussels – Photo S. Petrosillo

Position: European Policy Intern*

exclusively open for students

Description:

The EUROPARC Federation is Europe's biggest network, supporting and representing the work of Europe's Protected Areas. As a member organisation with interests in nature conservation, sustainable tourism development, capacity building and European environment policy development and implementation, strategic and effective administrative processes are central to our work.

The EUROPARC Federation is currently looking for a full time intern in its European Policy Office in Brussels (Belgium). The intern will contribute to the policy and advocacy work of the organisation, helping to represent EUROPARC members' interests at European level and getting involved in the development of EU relevant policies, and giving support to drive the flow of information from and to the European Protected Areas and the European Institutions.



Conditions:

Full-time position (38 hr/week).

Duration **6 months minimum.**

Vacation **13 days** (for 6 months internship).

Place of work **EUROPARC Brussels Office.**

Start date **ideally beginning of March** **Position: European Policy**

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The applicant needs to have **student status.**

The applicant needs to be able to work in the EU without restrictions.

The internship is a **not-paid position.** EUROPARC strongly recommends to applicants to have a scholarship (Erasmus or other).

We offer:

- Excellent and concrete opportunity to learn about European policies on environment and related topics, and to actively participate to the main European debates
- Excellent opportunities for personal and professional growth
- Concrete possibility to increase your professional network at European level
- Working in an international and multi-languages environment
- Support and guidance from an experienced and multi-national team
- Work in an exciting, high-energy environment where you can make a difference

General Requirements:

- Affinity with EUROPARC's mission, values and core principles
- Interest for nature conservation and related policies
- International relations, policy, environment or communication studies (Language, Economics studies might be considered);
- Good understanding of EU Institutions and knowledge of main EU policies relevant for Protected Areas
- Knowledge of the role and functions of Protected Areas
- Fluency in English both written and oral. The official language in the office is English
- Social Media experience (Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn...)
- Good command of graphic, video editing software and knowledge of web editing are a plus

Personal qualities:

- Collaborative, reliable and willing to learn
- Ability to work effectively as a team member and independently
- Ability to manage multiple priorities under pressure
- Good written and verbal communication skills. Ability to communicate in multiple languages is an advantage
- Flexible and willing to travel

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Primary Responsibilities:

- Assisting the Policy Officer with the implementation of the EUROPARC Policy Strategy
- Following policy-making processes and debates of relevance for Protected Areas Management related to Nature Directives, Biodiversity Strategy, Common Agricultural Policy, Sustainable Tourism, Youth involvement, Croosborder cooperation, Health.
- Attending meetings and networking events with partners' organizations and EU Institution representatives
- Contribute to the organization of international events in Brussels, workshops and webinars
- Writing reports, news and articles covering policy decisions, debates, and current events at EU level;
- Collaborating with the Communication department for policy updates on EUROPARC Website and social media

Applications:

Please *send a 1-page motivation letter and your CV* to **Ms Stefania Petrosillo**, EUROPARC Policy Officer (stefania.petrosillo@europarc.org) indicating "**Policy Internship position**" in the subject line.