



AGRICULTURE AND LAND MANAGEMENT INTERNSHIP

Main focus: Agriculture, climate and soils

Salary	Unsalaries placement with local travel and lunch expenses paid
Location	IEEP Brussels office
Duration	3 months from October 2017 (with option to extend up to 6 months)

The Institute for European Environmental Policy is a sustainability think tank. Working with stakeholders across EU institutions, international bodies, academia, civil society and industry, our team of policy professionals, composed of economists, scientists and lawyers, produce evidence-based research and policy insight.

Our work spans nine research areas and covers both short-term policy issues and long-term strategic studies. As a non-for-profit organisation with over 40-years of experience, we are committed to advancing impact-driven sustainability policy across the EU and the world. IEEP offices are based in Brussels and London; more information is available on our [website](#).

We have an internship vacancy within the Agriculture and Land Management programme in our **Brussels office**, with focus on **the contribution of agriculture to climate mitigation and adaptation, and soil protection in Europe**.

IEEP and its Internship Programme

The IEEP internship programme promotes early career progression or change of career. Interns assist staff research activities, such as through projects, paper writing, attending meetings etc. and gain practical insights and valuable experience into environmental policy. Through this process they will learn about the dynamics of EU policy making, focusing on environmental and climate policy as well as other policies, such agriculture and energy.

IEEP commits to provide supervision, coaching and support throughout the internship to give valuable work experience, while also creating opportunities for independent work and initiative. The internship takes an educational approach to science and policy analysis, which provides an excellent opportunity for hands-on learning.

Agriculture and Land Management internship from October 2017

The Agriculture and Land Management team works on a wide range of thematic policy areas relating to agriculture, including the CAP, climate and energy, resource efficiency and sustainable food. At present the team is engaged in an evaluation of the climate contribution of the CAP, developing net-zero GHG emission pathways for the agricultural sector, supporting soil protection on agricultural land

in Europe and China, and improving the implementation of Rural Development programmes across the EU, especially in relation to soil and water priorities.

IEEP is offering a part-time or full-time internship within the Agriculture and Land Management team to assist with current and future projects as they arise.

Responsibilities are likely to include:

- Contributing to, and editing, research reports and paper for publication;
- Undertaking literature reviews, data collection and supporting the development of our reference database;
- Contributing to the production of newsletter and policy papers;
- Helping to organise seminars, workshops and conferences.

The internship can be either full or part-time; in the case of a part-time internship, commitment to a minimum of 3 days (21 hours) per week is required. **The position will begin in October 2017.** Please clearly indicate your availability in the motivation / cover letter.

Person profile

Interested applicants must:

- Hold a good first degree in a relevant environmental, climate or agricultural subject;
- Have a strong interest in EU environmental and climate policy and, in particular, the contribution of agriculture to achieving climate and soil objectives;
- Have excellent written and spoken English and the ability to present information in a clear, precise and accessible style;
- Have a desire to learn and take on challenging new tasks;
- Be capable of working independently and collaboratively in a fast-paced environment;
- Have good organisational and time management skills;
- Have proficiency in the MS Office package (esp. Outlook, Word and PowerPoint).

In addition, it is desirable for applicants to be fluent in another European language.

University students who are writing a thesis (e.g. Masters or PhD) in related topics and are looking for institutional visits/placement and work experience are welcome to apply. Candidates should show that they are either EU citizens or have suitable visa already in place that allows an internship in Belgium.

Application guidelines

If you are interested in applying, please send a **letter of motivation** outlining your reasons for wanting the post and your relevant experience, **CV** and an **acknowledgement** that the position is unpaid to snanni@ieep.eu. In the subject line of the email, please include: 'Agriculture Internship Oct17'.

We expect all applications by Friday 29 September. Interviews will be held the week of 9 October, in either in the Brussels office or by telephone/ Skype.

IEEP will refund approved interview expenses within Belgium; applicants from outside Belgium will be interviewed by telephone or internet conferencing.

IEEP strives to be an equal opportunities employer and undertakes that there shall be no discrimination in employment policies, salaries or working conditions on grounds of race, ethnic origin, gender, disability, religious or other belief, sexual orientation, marital status or age.