

Internship at Global Water Partnership Organisation (GWPO)

Support to the GWPO Network Operations unit with specific focus on the Sustainable Development Goals Preparedness Facility (SDG-PF)

Terms of Reference

Location: Stockholm, Sweden

Proposed dates: 22 September 2017 – 22 December 2017 (3 months)

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Background

The Global Water Partnership (GWP) is a global action network with over 3,000 Partner organisations in 178 countries. Founded in 1996, the network has 86 Country Water Partnerships and 13 Regional Water Partnerships.

GWP's vision is a water secure world. To realise this vision GWP supports countries to advance governance and management of water resources for sustainable and equitable development. This is pursued by promoting Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM), a cross-sectoral policy approach designed to replace the traditional, fragmented sectoral approach that has led to poor services and unsustainable resource use. As a means to achieving long-term impact towards water security, GWP seeks to influence water governance processes through the promotion of IWRM principles. Policy development, strategic planning, legislative change, investment planning and transboundary agreements are examples of such processes and it is here that GWP actively contributes both inside and outside the 'water box' at the global, regional, national and subnational levels.

Main tasks

1. Support to the Sustainable Development Goals Preparedness Facility (SDG-PF)

The United Nations post-2015 Development Agenda was adopted by Member States at the UN General Assembly in September 2015. GWP is committed to support implementation of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly Goal 6, which is dedicated to water. To help countries implement the SDGs, GWP set up a SDG Preparedness Facility (SDG-PF).

The goal of the GWP SDG-PF is to support countries in their commitment to the post-2015 Development Agenda through practical support for a rapid start to implementing SDG 6 and other water-related SDGs. The SDG-PF consists of two components:

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- A series of country-level projects designed to foster an enabling environment for SDG 6 monitoring, reporting, and implementation in line with specific country needs
- Coordination and support at global and regional levels, including knowledge exchange and facilitation of South-South collaboration

The intern will support the SDG-PF through:

- Support in project management and progress tracking of current SDG-PF country projects
- Support in developing a process for the second round of SDG-PF country projects, to be initiated in 2018
- Support in development and implementation of global support components of the SDG-PF, including resource mobilization and partnerships development
- Support in developing communications and outreach materials for different audiences
- Support national-level workshops related to SDG 6 monitoring
- Assist in SDG target mapping and research

2. Support to the Youth, Water, and Climate Theme

GWP, together with the Office Franco Québécois pour la Jeunesse and International Secretariat for Water (ISW), are core founding partners of the Youth for Water and Climate initiative (YWC). Launched at COP21, YWC aims to enhance the contributions of youth to the 2030 Agenda and upscale their innovative ideas in the areas of water, climate, and food security. Beyond giving youth a global voice, YWC supports youth-led projects related to water and climate challenges, and is developing a community of knowledge and practice to support youth in securing financing for bankable projects.

The intern will support the thematic focal point on the ongoing development of the youth theme through:

- Support in developing communications materials around youth and climate
- Help out with research, outreach and communication in relation to the Youth for Water and Climate platform, etc.

Support/supervision for these tasks will be provided by the Senior Network Officer/thematic focal point for Youth

3. General support to the Network Operations Unit and Programme management

It is envisaged that the intern will provide general support to the GWPO Network Operations Unit according to need. Potential tasks include:

- M&E support such as the processing of GWP Monthly Reports and information collection and sharing
- Assistance to other GWPO thematic focal points on theme development
- Assistance to GWPO Network Officers on GWP Regional and Country support functions

Working terms

This is an opportunity for students studying at universities in, and holding citizenship with, countries in Africa, Asia, South and Central America or the Caribbean.

Requirements

Interns accepted in the GWP Internship Programme must:

- Be a national of a country where GWP is active, as these are considered a priority
- Be enrolled in an educational programme at the time of application and during the Internship
- Meet all expenses for travel and any expenses beyond the provided stipend, through financial support from their educational institution, government, scholarships or through personal resources
- Have adequate medical and accident insurances

Qualifications

- Interest in water resources management, any of GWP's overall focus areas (particularly SDGs and/or youth), and/or other environmental sustainability issues. Knowledge of the 2030 Development Agenda and integrated water resources management is a requirement.
- Ability to work in a multi-cultural environment and as part of a team.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills. Fluency in English is a requirement. Other languages are an advantage.
- Strong computer skills including internet navigation and Microsoft Office suite.
- Research and writing experience.

Application procedure

Interested students should send their applications to internship@gwp.org by **1 September 2017**. All applications should include the following:

- Cover Letter with an introduction of the applicant
- Resume/CV
- Confirmation of enrolment at university
- One recommendation letter from a professor at the university or a GWP Partner

Shortlisted candidates will be contacted for an interview.

Conditions of the internship

The internship is based at the GWP Global Secretariat in Stockholm, Sweden. The Internship will be for three months, starting at the end of September.

GWP offers 30,000 SEK to cover daily expenses while in Sweden, such as housing, daily subsistence, local transportation etc. GWP offers no remuneration or any other financial support to meet expenses for travel, subsistence or health/accident insurance.

By accepting an internship offered by GWP, the intern will also accept that there is no possibility of employment at the end of his/her internship and for the six months immediately following the end of the internship