GPPAC Internship Youth Inclusion in Peacebuilding

Starting date 28 March 2022
Duration 4 months (4 days a week)
Location GPPAC Foundation in The Hague, the Netherlands
Deadline 14 March 2022

Please note that the position is unpaid. We will provide EUR 170 per month to cover expenses.

About GPPAC
The GPPAC Foundation is a non-governmental organisation that promotes conflict prevention and peacebuilding strategies and supports and connects people working for peace worldwide. It is the Global Secretariat of the Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict (GPPAC), a network of civil society organisations working in this field. For more, see www.gppac.net

We facilitate connections between network members for learning and knowledge exchange, and we work to make sure that the voices of local civil society organisations are heard in national and international policy arenas.

GPPAC seeks to build a new international consensus on the way in which we approach violent conflict, calling for a fundamental change: a shift from reaction to prevention.

About the GPPAC Internship Programme
Interns are invaluable to GPPAC, as they support our programmes with a great deal of enthusiasm and dedication. In turn, we aim to provide our interns with a useful learning experience for professional development. In addition to on-the-job learning about the programme they intern with, interns will gain an overview of the workings of our organisation and network as a whole. Interns are encouraged to participate in webinars and other online events relevant to our field of work as part of their learning experience. Each intern, with their supervisor(s), sets personal learning goals, which are monitored throughout the internship.

Youth Inclusivity Internship
The intern will work with GPPAC’s Youth Coordinator, with a focus on youth programme-related tasks.

Tasks
The tasks of the internship will include, amongst others

- Support with the development and dissemination of relevant resources and tools for GPPAC members and external stakeholders.
- Support documentation of case studies and best practice examples for youth inclusion in peacebuilding and conflict prevention, particularly related to financing for youth peacebuilding.
- Assist coordination of meetings and activities with the Youth, Peace and Security Working Group, including the support of advocacy and fundraising efforts.
- Liaise with GPPAC members on the implementation of GPPAC’s Youth Policy.
- Assist in the organisation of cross-regional learning exchanges among GPPAC members on topics of youth inclusion in peacebuilding and conflict prevention.
- Attend (online) events related to Youth, Peace and Security issues.
- Contribute to communications through the drafting of social media messages and blogs.

Requirements
- Applicants must meet the requirements of the Dutch authorities (e.g. possessing a valid student visa) to do the internship. They must be a European citizen living in the Netherlands and/or be enrolled as a student in an educational institution in the Netherlands.
● Relevant educational background (university level), preferably in peace and conflict studies, international relations, political science or a related field.
● Demonstrated interest in youth inclusion, particularly the inclusion of youth in peacebuilding and/or conflict prevention, will be considered an advantage.
● Familiarity and understanding of the civil society sector.
● Demonstrated research and analytical skills.
● Excellent command of written and spoken English, knowledge of other languages, particularly Russian, French, Arabic or Spanish will be considered an advantage.
● Strong communication skills.
● Strong organisational skills, ability to manage assigned tasks and work to deadlines.
● Sharp thinker and fast learner with an action-oriented mindset and a drive to make things happen.
● Proactive, able to work independently, problem-solve and show initiative.
● A systematic, meticulous eye for detail.
● High level of computer literacy.

How to apply
Please send your CV, a cover letter explaining your motivation and how you fit the requirements, and a writing sample (can be an essay, article, etc.) to Amanda Huits, a.huits@gppac.net. For processing purposes, please write only “Internship Youth Inclusion” in the subject line. We will only consider complete applications.

The deadline for receipt of applications is 14 March 2022, 23:59 CET (Netherlands time). Interviews will take place in the week of 14 March or in the week of 21 March 2022. We normally receive a considerable number of applications for internships and therefore only contact shortlisted candidates.