Internship opportunity

Development Innovation Team

Development Facility (INDEF) located in DCD's Reforms and Partnerships for Development Impact (RPDI) Division

The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) is an international organisation comprised of 38 member countries, that works to build better policies for better lives. Our mission is to promote policies that will improve the economic and social well-being of people around the world. Together with governments, policy makers and citizens, we work on establishing evidence-based international standards, and finding solutions to a range of social, economic, and environmental challenges. From improving economic performance and creating jobs to fostering strong education and fighting international tax evasion, we provide a unique forum and knowledge hub for data and analysis, exchange of experiences, best-practice sharing, and advice on public policies and international standard-setting.

The <u>Development Co-operation Directorate</u> (DCD) encourages coordinated, innovative, international action to accelerate the implementation of Agenda 2030 in developing countries and improve the financing of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The Directorate helps set international standards for development co-operation, supporting the OECD <u>Development Assistance Committee</u> (DAC), and monitors how donors deliver on their commitments. Drawing upon OECD-wide expertise, DCD supports members and partners with data, analysis and guidance.

The Development Facility (INDEF) located in DCD's Reforms and Partnerships for Development Impact (RPDI) division, is looking for an intern for a period of 6 months to support the work of the Innovation for Development Facility.

Background

To achieve the ambitious 2030 Agenda and respond to the diverse challenges of the 21st century, not only more, but better and more inclusive innovation is needed. This internship provides a student with the opportunity to work on cutting-edge issues related to international development and innovation.

The intern will work as a member of the Innovation for Development Facility team under the supervision of the Head unit, . The Innovation for Development Facility (INDEF) is located in DCD's Reform and Partnerships for Development Impact Division (RPDI). The division works on spurring behaviour change and reform, creating and monitoring norms and standards, increasing accountability and enabling Development Assistance Committee members to learn from each other. RPDI is also producing, bringing in and using evidence – grounded in the experience of members, non-members and their development partners – of what is working and why in development co-operation policies and practices, structures and systems.





The Innovation for Development Facility works on three main pillars identified to advance innovation for development.

- 1. Undertaking research to establish a common understanding of innovation, scaling and related concepts.
- 2. Collaborating with DAC members to improve innovation practices and investments as well as their collaboration with global south partners.
- 3. Provide a space for peer-learning and knowledge exchange on innovation strategies and good practices.

Main tasks:

The intern will:

- Engage in discussions on strategy and planning, and contribute with substance, challenge and ideas.
- Undertake research on development innovation-related topics, including issues related to
 organisational management of innovation, measuring the impact of innovation as well as topics
 related to development challenges in low- and middle-income countries.
- Agree with the Head of the Innovation for Development Facility on a project that aligns with the
 professional interests of the intern and strategic priorities of the team. The intern will be
 responsible for producing a work plan and for managing the project over the course of the
 internship.
- Support the team with the development and design of products, including presentation decks, invitations to events and more.
- Conduct other *ad hoc* tasks related to supporting the work of the Innovation for Development Facility, including communications support.

Preferred candidate profile

- Current Master's student in development studies, political science, social sciences, international relations, public policy or another relevant discipline;
- Familiarity with basic concepts of innovation and development innovation.
- Excellent analytical and drafting skills, with the ability to synthesise information and communicate complex information in ways accessible to various audiences.
- Willingness to work on a diverse range of topics.
- Ability to work and communicate effectively and in a co-operative spirit in a multicultural environment, both independently and as part of a team.
- Fluency (written and spoken) in English, and some knowledge of French and/or Spanish is desirable.
- Strong motivation to contribute to the advancement of social change processes.

If you are passionate about exploring new paradigms, questioning conventional wisdom and working on the launch of a new initiative, then this internship might be for you!



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Length of the internship/assignment

The ideal duration of the internship would be six months in the period between September 2024 and February 2025. There is flexibility in terms of duration and beginning and start date. It is possible to remotely on-board interns in the territory of **Member countries of the Organisation** or in any other country in which the Organisation enjoys the privileges and immunities.

Requirements

The candidate must be enrolled in a full-time degree programme for the duration of the internship. Internships are primarily open to <u>OECD member country nationals</u>. A memorandum of agreement for the internship will be signed between the candidate, OECD and the candidate's university. Languages

* Fluency in one of the two OECD official languages (English and French) and knowledge of the other, with a commitment to reaching a good working level.

Contract Duration

* Six-months term appointment.

Compensation

The intern will receive a monthly living allowance of € 1 000 per month for a full-time internship.

Application

Please send your resume, contact information for two references and a max one-page letter of motivation along with a sample of writing in English to benjamin.kumpf@oecd.org by 12th July 2024.

Selection Process

For retained candidates, written tests and interviews are foreseen in late July 2024.

The OECD is an equal opportunity employer and welcomes the applications of all qualified candidates who are nationals of OECD member countries, irrespective of their racial or ethnic origin, opinions or beliefs, gender, sexual orientation, health or disabilities.

The OECD promotes an optimal use of resources in order to improve its efficiency and effectiveness. Staff members are encouraged to actively contribute to this goal.

Shortlisted candidates will have to submit their <u>application</u> through the <u>OECD's career website</u>, where they find all details including the eligibility criteria.