



**water
footprint
network**

fair & smart use
of the world's
fresh water

Internship Vacancy at Water Footprint Network

Support on the development of the water footprint database for industrial materials and products

Background

Water Footprint Network provides science-based, practical solutions and strategic insights that empower companies, governments, small-scale producers and individuals to transform the way we use and share fresh water within earth's limits.

We are a dynamic, international, continuous learning community with around 100 partners in 45 countries committed to promoting sustainable, equitable and efficient water use through the advancement of the water footprint. Working together with and supported by our partners, we drive action towards fair and smart water use, build communities to escalate change in river basins, share knowledge and train practitioners to solve the world's water crises. As the global leader in Water Footprint Assessment, we find solutions using a common methodology that interlinks water related issues and leads to strategic action for water stewardship, resource efficiency, fair allocation and good governance.

We are a growing organisation at the cutting edge of the methodology, data, tools and application of Water Footprint Assessment. Currently, we have an internship vacancy for the right candidate to support our work on the development and expansion of the water footprint database.

Duties & Responsibilities

Under the guidance of a designated Water Footprint Network staff member, the intern will support our work on the development of the water footprint database focusing on industrial materials and products. Key assignments for the intern will include:

- Research, propose and prepare a list of industrial materials/products, most commonly used by companies and in people's lives
- Conduct a literature survey and other research on the water use for producing/processing these materials and products
- Support the design of a database format aligning with Water Footprint Network's existing databases and uses in various tools
- Compile the data and results, based on the literature research, in the designed format

- Support other projects/activities upon request (minor responsibility)

Benefits & Learning Opportunities

- Acquire knowledge of the Water Footprint Network's mission, programmes and activities and learn how they are helpful for the sustainable management of global fresh water resources
- Get access to state-of-the-art science of Water Footprint Assessment and learn about its best applications in various contexts, such as Water Footprint Assessment for river basins and water resources management, for corporate sustainable business strategy formulation, for water related risk management, and in relation to the UN Sustainable Development Goals
- Obtain scientific/practical guidance from top experts within, and possibly beyond, the Water Footprint Network team
- Gain hands-on experience of working on projects and research activities
- Gain hands-on experience of working with an international team in a multi-cultural environment

Duration & Duty Station

Duration of the internship is three months (preferably starting from October 15th 2016). The duty station is the Water Footprint Network office at the International Water House, The Hague, The Netherlands.

Qualifications & Skills

- Completed B.Sc. and currently in a M.Sc. programme, or recently graduated with M.Sc. degree in a field related to water and/or environment resources management
- Analytical and result-oriented
- Motivated and communicative
- Good command of analytical functions in spreadsheet and experience with geospatial software such as Arc GIS
- Good proficiency of English
- Familiarity with environment database(s) is an advantage

Other Terms & Conditions

- This internship is on a non-remunerative basis. Costs and arrangements associated with expenses for living, accommodation, travel (home-work, if any) and medical insurance are the responsibility of the intern
- The purpose of this internship is to complement the intern's studies but will not lead to employment with Water Footprint Network
- The successful candidate will be expected to work 5 days a week
- The position is open only for candidates eligible to work in the EU
- Short-listed candidates will be contacted for an interview

A letter of application, together with a C.V., should be sent to info@waterfootprint.org before September 15, 2016 with "Internship Vacancy" in the subject line.