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## Internship opportunities in CEEweb for Biodiversity

Internships with CEEweb for Biodiversity are unpaid, but full of new experiences. We encourage to apply to Erasmus+ programme to support your stay in Budapest with us.

CEEweb for Biodiversity was founded in 1994 (under the name of Central and East European Working Group for the Enhancement of Biodiversity). One primary aim of the organization is to help the implementation of international tasks under the Convention on Biological Diversity. Presently CEEweb is the only network in operation which has been set up and run by nature conservation NGOs in Central and Eastern Europe.

The mission of CEEweb for Biodiversity is the conservation of biodiversity through the promotion of sustainable development. CEEweb works through advocacy, influencing decision making, common projects, capacity building, networking and awareness raising. It targets its members, local, national and international decision makers, NGOs and NGO networks, companies and the scientific community.

You are welcome to apply all year round, however we also have calls for specific interns when we need help in specific field.

#### Areas of work in 2018

#### 1. Natura 2000

- a. Raising awareness on the socio-economic benefits of the Nature Directives
- b. Work on better integration of Natura 2000 in different sectors: water, agriculture, cities, culture
- c. Within the frame of the European Year of Cultural Heritage, organize a photo contest on interlinkage of culture and Natura 2000 as well as on protected animal and plant species in protected areas and on importance of preserving their natural habitats
- d. Advocate, using a position paper for better financing of Natura 2000 through the next EU Budget (lobby, advocacy, communication work)
- e. Design and implement a social media campaign on the importance of WFD, its benefits and raise awareness of Natural Water Retention Measures (NWRM)

### 2. Green Infrastructure and Ecosystem Services

- a. Raising awareness on the socio-economic benefits of the Biodiversity Strategy Target 2 elements and the Natural Water Retention Measures showing contribution to jobs and growth
- b. Building and promoting the building of European project partnerships among cities, municipalities, sectors, business and research institutes to engage in joint activities and submit relevant project proposals under EU, national and private funding streams for biodiversity and for fighting climate
- c. Extending support of EU decision makers and stakeholders to biodiversity policies and their implementation
- d. Increasing implementation of ecosystem services approach and Green Infrastructure Strategy and their uptake by sartorial policies
- e. Preparation for the review of Water Framework Directive, policy analysis, advocacy campaign
- f. Help in the logistical organisation of workshops and training events in the topic of integrated transport planning and ecological corridors
- g. Data collection and participation in writing documents in the field of transport and ecological corridors in Hungary
- h. Research for good and bad practices in Hungary in transport infrastructure planning that takes nature into account
- i. Interviewing local stakeholders in North-East Hungary for the purpose of a local ecosystem service assessment (travel costs are assured)
- j. Possibility to join visit field-work on species assessment in North-East Hungary throughout 2018
- k. Overall assistance in **TRANSGREEN** project

### 3. EU budget

- a. Help coordinating campaign for sustainable EU budget by organising and collecting cross-sectoral input on the EU budget, drafting common positions for endorsement, participation in online meetings, coordinating outreach actions to decision makers, national members and citizens, and drawing up joint communication and advocacy strategies
- b. Lobbying European decision makers and Member States to mainstream sustainability into the next Multiannual Financial Framework through the use of proofing instruments
- c. Communicating the campaign messages through the media and involving European citizens into the debate

- d. Mobilizing EU and private sources funding climate change mitigation, green infrastructure and mapping and assessing ecosystem services projects
- e. Increasing public attention on natural capital, EU budget, CAP along with increased will in participation of forming these processes

### 4. Sustainable tourism

- a. Research to support the elaboration of a smart model on tourism product development smart tools and methods for coordinated sustainable tourism supply
- b. Research to support the elaboration of a smart model on the sensitization of visitors towards healthy and eco-conscious lifestyles smart methods in marketing on how to channel the promotion of green and healthy living into the touristic offer with eco-educational services
- c. Help in the elaboration of a methodological guide for national level tourism policy assessment of the piloting partners
- d. Overall assistance in **INSIGHTS** project

#### 5. Communication and fundraising

- a. Preparing content for the website and social media
- b. Help in organisation of the next Green-Go International Short Film Contest
- c. Proofreading publications, writing press releases
- d. Research on relevant stakeholders (MEPs, national authorities, NGO etc.)
- e. Preparing visual materials
- f. Searching for funding opportunities, preparing project proposals

### Requirements for the candidates

- Relevant education and or training
- Knowledge of English on B2 level with ability to understand written policy text
- Ability to use office computer software
- One month minimum stay, preferably 3 months, under certain circumstances the period can be shorter, but both sides need to make sure that there will be a feasible outcome at the end of work
- Self-driven
- Well organized

Note we are not able to host non-EU citizens due to administrative reasons.

### What CEEweb can offer you

- 1:1 mentoring and supervision
- Participation in team meetings, workshops, conferences if funding allows

- Professional and international working environment
- Work in an international team of staff members
- Voluntary contract for the given period
- References for the future job applications
- Professional advice on developing the career

# How to apply

To apply send an email to Monika Kotulak <u>kotulak@ceeweb.org</u> including your CV, motivational letter and availability.