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Finance Initiative

Innovative financing for sustainability

Internship position – The Natural Capital Declaration

United Nations Environment Programme Finance Initiative (UNEP FI)

United Nations Core Values: Integrity, Professionalism, Respect for Diversity

Deadline: 19 October 2012 COB (CET – Central European Time)

About UNEP FI

The United Nations Environment Programme Finance Initiative (UNEP FI) is a unique global partnership between the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the global financial sector. UNEP FI works with more than 200 financial institutions that are signatories to the UNEP FI Statements, and a range of partners and organizations to develop and promote linkages between the environment, sustainability and financial performance. Through its Industry Commissions, Working Groups and Regional Task Forces, UNEP FI carries out its mission to identify, promote, and realise the adoption of best environmental and sustainability practice at all levels of financial institution operations.

About the Natural Capital Declaration

The Natural Capital Declaration (NCD) is a finance-led initiative to integrate natural capital considerations into financial products and services as well as to work towards an accounting and reporting system that includes aspects of natural capital. Currently 39 financial institutions have signed the NCD at CEO level. Post Rio+20, the NCD is moving forward to help signatories implement the four core commitments of the NCD. For further information please visit: www.naturalcapitaldeclaration.org.

Tasks and responsibilities will include:

- Assist with liaising with NCD signatories and supporters
- Support the communication activities through the NCD website, newsletter and articles
- Assist in putting together publications (reports, brochures, etc)
- Coordinate events such as workshops, conferences that are organised by the NCD
- Support the day-to-day coordination of the Natural Capital Declaration (general liaison, setting up meetings, minute-taking)

Requirements:

- The candidate must be in (post-)graduate studies throughout his/her internship (or has a confirmed place at a graduate course) and must be returning to his/her university after the internship.
- Availability as soon as possible, ideally for 6 months on a full-time basis
- Academic background in international relations, environmental sciences, ecology, business, economics, finance, or related fields.
- Basic knowledge about the concepts and frameworks related to ecosystem services and economic valuation of nature is a distinct advantage.
- Fluency in English.
- Excellent oral and written communications skills.
- Sense of diplomacy & attention to detail.

- Solid IT skills.
- Strong organisational skills & ability to work with remote teams and networks.

Place of Work:

The intern will be based preferably in Geneva at UNEP FI Headquarters.

As a Unit of the United Nations Environment Programme, UNEP FI does not provide any remuneration for internships. Interns should be enrolled in a university programme throughout their internship. Please also note that UNEP FI cannot offer any jobs to ex-interns for at least 6 months after the completion of their internship.

Application:

If you are interested in applying for this position please send your CV and a Cover Letter to ncd.recruitment@unepfi.org by **19 October** 6 pm CET. Please ensure that you attach your letter of motivation as a separate document, rather than in the e-mail text.