

Political Affairs / EU Policy Trainee at Euclid Network

Fascinated by the world of impact and social enterprises? Do you have what it takes to help us generate more social impact? Would you love to learn more about the European Commission and work with one of their strategic partners? Apply now for a fascinating traineeship and work on social entrepreneurship, social finance and policy on international European level with stakeholders in government, academia, private sector and social entrepreneurs, impact-driven leaders and investors.

In tomorrow's economy business success is not only measured in profitability, but it's reflected in the responsibility with which they treat the planet and the dignity with which they treat people. Social entrepreneurs and leaders are the world's frontrunners, dedicated to solving societal challenges while running a sustainable business. As a European network for social enterprises and impact-driven leaders we connect and support impact practitioners.

Since our foundation in 2007 we have managed 25 mainly EU-funded projects to a value of over 15 million EUR, and worked with 50 partners from most EU Member States, the Middle East and Russia. EN and our partners have facilitated over 1.000 international business exchanges, as well as continuing to provide practical peer mentoring to 140 social entrepreneurs per year. EN also works to put social entrepreneurs at the forefront of shaping the ecosystem and market for social enterprises thanks to a new strategic partnership with the European Commission. EN connects social enterprise intermediaries, universities and training institutes, frontline NGOs and impact-driven entrepreneurs.

Our strategic programs and special events

Our programs include Erasmus for young Entrepreneurs (EYE), PeerEx, MedUp!, JRC and the strategic partnership EaSI. Our events create a platform for impact-driven organizations from all corners of Europe and beyond to present themselves, connect to investors, public officials and exchange experiences to scale together.

Responsibilities

Reporting to the EaSI Program Manager, the successful candidate will be expected:

- To monitor EU policy developments related to Euclid Network's priorities
- To support the preparation of policy briefings and positions, amendments and official consultations;
- To support wider EN team with policy-related input as needed;
- To research topics of interest to support our policy work;
- To provide EN members and other colleagues and partners with updates and information related to EU Policy;
- To engage with policymakers, civil society, trade unions and the investment industry in order to disseminate and present our positions;
- To help organise a policy roundtable taking place in January 2020, and other events and workshop;
- To attend events and conferences as needed.

Required skills and experience

- Bachelor degree in governance, political sciences, European studies or other relevant topic.
- Good knowledge of the EU's legislative processes;
- Basic familiarity with social finance and social entrepreneurship, or demonstrate ability to grasp new areas of knowledge;
- Impeccable verbal and written skills in English, with additional European languages being an advantage;
- Drive and determination to initiate action and achieve results quickly
- Ability to work both independently (sometimes remotely) and as a part of a team and coordinate members from different countries and backgrounds
- Strong teamwork, accuracy and communication skills
- European outlook, intercultural skills and international experience

Benefits

- Be part of an expanding scale-up with a recognized track record since 2007
- Amazing offices at Apollo 14, The Hague, the new building for entrepreneurs who contribute to a better world through technological and social innovations
- Learn a lot!
- Enjoy space for own initiative
- Be part of an open and committed team
- Work in an international environment in every sense: international colleagues, international projects, international events
- Work for a buzzing sector; social enterprises and social finance are the future

Pay and conditions

- Remuneration will be EUR100/month.
- The employer can help with requesting an Erasmus+ scholarship.
- The employer is open to discussing a part-time role.

How to apply

Please apply with a letter of motivation (1 page) setting out how you meet the essential criteria above and a CV (2 pages) in single PDF document by Friday 29 November 2019. Email us at veerle@euclidnetwork.eu .

Follow-up interviews are to take place early December. The appointed candidate would be expected to start as soon as possible, timings can be discussed.