WBCSD Job Description – Internship

Nature Positive Business

WBCSD Overview

WBCSD is the premier global, CEO-led community of over 200 of the world’s leading sustainable businesses working collectively to accelerate the system transformations needed for a net zero, nature positive, and more equitable future.

We do this by engaging executives and sustainability leaders from business and elsewhere to share practical insights on the obstacles and opportunities we currently face in tackling the integrated climate, nature and inequality sustainability challenge; by co-developing “how-to” CEO-guides from these insights; by providing science-based target guidance including standards and protocols; and by developing tools and platforms to help leading businesses in sustainability drive integrated actions to tackle climate, nature and inequality challenges across sectors and geographical regions.

Our member companies come from all business sectors and all major economies, representing a combined revenue of more than USD $8.5 trillion and 19 million employees. Our global network of almost 70 national business councils gives our members unparalleled reach across the globe. Since 1995, WBCSD has been uniquely positioned to work with member companies along and across value chains to deliver impactful business solutions to the most challenging sustainability issues.

Together, we are the leading voice of business for sustainability, united by our vision of creating a world in which 9+ billion people are living well, within planetary boundaries, by mid-century.

Job overview

Apply strategic thinking, coupled with capacity for project management and implementation, to help support ongoing projects and to position and profile WBCSD as the leading voice of business for systems transformation in one of the Imperatives – Climate Action, Nature Action, or Equity Action, Pathways – Food & Ag, Built Environment, Mobility, Healthy People Healthy Business, Energy or Circular Economy, or in Redefining Value.

The Nature Action Imperative is seeking an intern to help drive an exciting set of activities focused on accelerating Nature Positive business ambition, action and accountability and supporting development of, and investment in, high integrity markets for nature assets. The work includes development of supporting tools, driving member preparation, action and implementation across the Corporate Nature Accountability System.

The intern would support the Nature Action team with ongoing and linked deliverables. These activities would afford an intern the opportunity to dive deep into a growing topic in the Nature transformation
space, and how to understand and better communicate the roles different companies play in scaling Nature Positive business and investment. The intern would also be exposed to and connect with stakeholders, members and partners, and dive into the latest research.

Responsibilities and duties

- Provide logistic support in the organization of various virtual meetings & events, for the relevant Imperative, Pathway or Redefining Value, to ensure related meetings, events and communications are executed to plan.
- Support the development of communication material and social media engagement including professional presentations for the projects to use in communicating to members, other companies and partners.
- Facilitate the engagement of members, prospects, and key stakeholders towards the achievement of the Imperative, Pathway or Redefining Value deliverables.
- Participate in calls and meetings with members, other companies and partner organizations to learn more about WBCSD, how we work, and our relationships with other organizations.
- Present insights and recommendations to internal stakeholders.

Qualifications

- Bachelors university degree in sustainability, or other relevant area with a masters degree a plus
- Minimum 1 year experience
- **Collaboration and Cooperation:**
  - Relates well to people at all levels. Adapts to the team and enhances team spirit
  - Capacity to work independently, proactively address problems and meet deadlines
  - Ability to manage multiple tasks and ad hoc demands simultaneously
  - Thrives when working in a fast-paced, collaborative environment and understands that the ebb and flow of team priorities may require “all hands on-deck” at times
- **Writing and Reporting:**
  - Writes clearly, succinctly and correctly in a convincing and engaging manner
  - Avoids the unnecessary use of jargon or complicated language
  - Structures information to meet the needs and understanding of the intended audience
- **Communication and events management:**
  - Listens, consults others and communicates proactively
  - Knowledge of, and demonstrated skills in, communication (tools such as PPT and social media); database management (software such as Salesforce) and excellent organisational skills
  - Expresses opinions, information and key points of an argument clearly
  - Makes presentations with skill and confidence and has strong facilitation skills. Responds quickly to the needs of an audience and projects credibility
Excellent verbal and written communications skills in English are critical, fluency in additional languages is an advantage

- **Project Management:**
  - Plan and lead day-to-day project activities to deliver the agreed work
  - Monitor progress against plan

**Work Environment**

WBCSD is a purpose driven, forward-thinking and action-oriented organization, characterized by diversity of gender, nationalities and work experiences. WBCSD offers a competitive, modern, and flexible working arrangement:

- Geneva-based organization with offices in Amsterdam, Beijing, Delhi, London, New York and Singapore
- State-of-the-art facilities and ICT-enabled working tools
- Flex-time possibilities
- Dynamic working atmosphere
- Open culture encouraging interaction and sharing of ideas and opinions
- Language: Fluency in English (written and spoken) is essential, additional languages beneficial