



# LA RICERCA DELLO STAGE ALL'ESTERO

## Incontri di orientamento dedicati a studenti e neolaureati dell'Università degli Studi di Milano

Ninth lecture

# Internship in International Organizations



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## International career

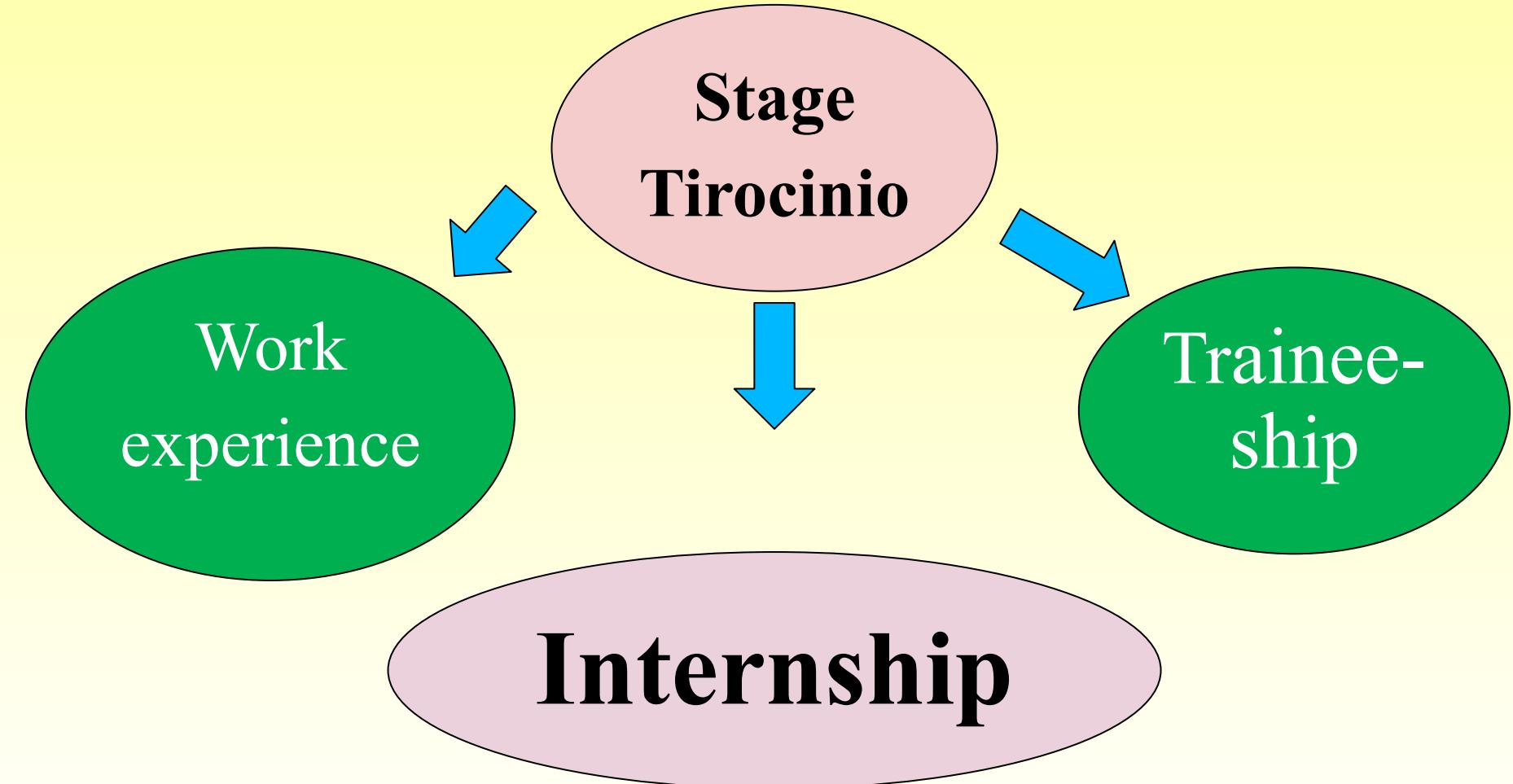
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- highly competitive environment
- challenging and multicultural work
- good / excellent salary
- work: direct application or competition/concours
- 70% graduates - 30% non-graduates
- internship during or after university (within 1 year)
- internship as added value for application in “internationalized” company



# Terminology

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# Definition

1863  
International  
Red Cross (and  
Red Crescent)  
Movement

***Intergovernmental  
Organizations - IGO***

Agreement  
between  
governments

Politica  
Economia  
Difesa  
Cultura  
.....

1919  
Society of  
Nations

Non profit

***International  
Non-governmental  
Organizations - INGO***

Agreement  
between privates

250 ca. IGO  
3-4.000 INGO

Multinational  
companies



# Requirements

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- Excellent academic level
- Fluent language (s) (B2-C1)
- Sharing of values
- Intercultural competence
- Soft skills
- Internship: last year of study or recent graduate
- Recent graduate: Graduate program in IGOs
- Work: qualified, graduated, recent graduate and staff with proven experience



# United Nations

## ***Bodies***

- *UN General Assembly*
  - *UN Secretariat*
- *International Court of Justice*
  - *UN Security Council*
- *UN Economic and social Council*
- *UN Trusteeship Council*

*New York - The Hague -  
Geneva - Vienna - Nairobi*

## ***Specialized agencies***

- FAO
- UNESCO
- World Bank
- International Monetary Fund
- International Labour Organization
- World Health Organization
- International Court of Justice
- World Intellectual Property Organization
- World Tourism Organization
- International Maritime Organization
- UNICEF
- .....



# INTERNSHIP UN

- Duration: 2-6 months
- Start: either prior to or within one year of graduation
- Excellent command of EN or F
- Outstanding students
- Cost: interns are not paid
- Visa: responsibility of intern
- Medical insurance
- Academic Credit

<https://careers.un.org>

Centralized application

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)

United Nations Populations Fund (UNFPA)

United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS)

United Nations Refugee Agency (UNHCR)

United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

Direct application



# Internship UN: examples

**INTERN - ENVIRONMENT AFFAIRS**

United Nations Environment Programme

PANAMA CITY

**INTERN - ECONOMIC AFFAIRS**

Department of Economic and Social Affairs

NEW YORK

**INTERN - LEGAL AFFAIRS**

Int. Residual Mech. for Criminal Tribunals

THE HAGUE

**INTERN - POLITICAL AFFAIRS**

Office for Disarmament Affairs

GENEVA

**INTERN - ECONOMIC AFFAIRS**

Department of Economic and Social Affairs

NEW YORK

**INTERN - PROGRAMME MANAGEM.**

Economic and Social Comm. for Asia- Pacific

BANGKOK

**INTERN - POLITICAL AFFAIRS**

Department of Peace Operations

GENEVA

**INTERN - Technology & Innovation**

Economic and Social Comm. for Asia- Pacific

BANGKOK

**INTERN - Research and Evaluation**

United Nations Office at Geneva

GENEVA

<https://careers.un.org>



# UN in Italy

- Centro di Informazione dell'ONU (UNIC), Roma
- Organizzazione delle Nazioni Unite per l'Alimentazione e l'Agricoltura (FAO), Roma
- Progr. Alimentare Mondiale (WFP/PAM), Roma
- Fondo Intern. per lo Sviluppo Agric. (IFAD), Roma
- Alto Commissariato delle Nazioni Unite per i Rifugiati (ACNUR/UNHCR), Roma
- Ufficio Internazionale del Lavoro (ILO/BIT), Roma
- Centro Europ. Ambiente e Salute (ECEH), Roma
- Programma delle Nazioni Unite per lo Sviluppo – Unità di Supporto Roma (UNDP-ERD), Roma
- Ufficio della Banca Mondiale, Roma
- Uff. RU per la Coop. Intern. (UNDESA-HRIC), Roma
- Comitato Italiano per l'UNICEF, Roma

- Commissione Nazionale Italiana per l'UNESCO, Roma
- Fondo delle Nazioni Unite per l'Infanzia (UNICEF) - Centro di Ricerca Innocenti (IRC), Firenze
- Centro Intern. di Formazione dell'Organizzazione Internazionale del Lavoro (OIL), Torino
- Istituto Interregionale di Ricerca delle Nazioni Unite sul Crimine e la Giustizia (UNICRI), Torino
- Ufficio Regionale per la Scienza e la Tecnologia per l'Europa (UVO-ROSTE), Venezia
- Centro Intern. di Fisica Teorica "Abdus Salam" (ICTP), Trieste
- Centro Internazionale per la Scienza e l'Alta Tecnologia (ICS), sotto l'egida dell'Organizzazione delle Nazioni Unite per lo Sviluppo Industriale (UNIDO), Trieste
- Base Logistica delle Nazioni Unite di Brindisi (UNLB)

[www.onuitalia.com](http://www.onuitalia.com)



# Language level C1

## Effective Operational Mastery

- Can understand a **wide range of complex** and rather long texts and can also derive their implicit meaning.
- It expresses itself **smoothly and spontaneously**, without excessive effort to search for words.
- Use the language **flexibly and effectively** for social, academic and professional purposes.
- He can **produce clear, well-structured and articulated texts** on complex topics, showing that he can control discursive structures, connectives and cohesion mechanisms.

Test	Score equivalent to the C1 level <sup>1</sup>
IELTS	6.5 - 7.5
TOEIC (R&L)	945 - 990
Cambridge English Scale	180 - 199
TOEFL iBT	95 - 120
Global Scale of English (Pearson)	76 - 84

800 ore ca. di appendimento



# European Union

## Institutions and bodies

European Parliament

European Council

Council of the European Union

## European Commission

Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU)

European Central Bank (ECB)

European Economic and Social Committee (EESC)

European Investment Bank (EIB)

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## Agencies (40+)

Europ. Centre for the Developm. of Voc.Training - Cedefop

European Food Safety Authority - EFSA

European Environment Agency - EEA

European Border and Coast Guard Agency - Frontex

European Railway Agency - ERA

European Medicines Agency - EMA

Translation Centre for the Bodies of the EU - CdT

European Institute of Innovation and Technology - EIT

European Union Agency for Cybersecurity - ENISA

[https://europa.eu/european-union/about-eu/institutions-bodies\\_en](https://europa.eu/european-union/about-eu/institutions-bodies_en)



# Schuman Trainee - European Parliament

**400+ positions**

**sector:** internal policies EU, international relations, communication, IT, .....

Bruxelles, Luxemburg, Strasburg, offices of European Parliament around Europe

**duration** 5 month

**indemnity** vary depending on country of internship

## Requirements:

have a thorough knowledge of one of the official languages of the European Union and a good knowledge of a second official language

**hold a university degree**



**TRAINEESHIPS**  
At the European Parliament

**Deadline 30.06: start 1st of October**

**Deadline 30.11: start 1st of March**

## 1. REGISTER

- A. a. create an account
- B. b. select an offer
- C. c. click on the button **Apply online**;
- D. d. complete the **New registration form**

## 2. APPLY

- A. select an offer that I would like to apply for (ax. 3 offers)
- B. login to my account;
- C. upload my CV (only Europass Format);
- D. upload a motivation letter per traineeship offer (maximum one page)

<https://ep-stages.gestmax.eu/search>



# Blue Book Traineeship - European Commission

**Around 1000 positions / year**

**Location(s):** Brussels (Belgium), Grange (Ireland), Luxembourg (Luxembourg)

**Who can apply:** university graduates, from all over the world. Work experience and postgraduate education is a plus, but not an eligibility criterion

**Languages:** fluency in 2 (mother tongue and foreign language)

**Sectors:** competition law, human resources, environmental policy, communication and many more, same sort of tasks as newly-recruited graduates

**Duration:** 5 months

**Paid:** €1,220.78 and travel allowance



**Registration january:** start 1st of October  
**Registration august:** start 1st of March

**SELF ASSESSMENT**  
**Step 1. REGISTER**  
**Step 2. COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION**  
**Step 3: SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION**

**Assessment and eligibility check> creation of preselected candidates (3000 candidates) > available for services and agencies**

<https://ec.europa.eu/stages>



# Internship abroad in institutions of Italy



- Embassies / consulates
- Institute of Italian Culture
- Foreign Trade Institute
- ENIT- national tourism agency
- Regional offices at the EU

Programma di tirocini

**MAECI–MIUR–Fond. CRUI**

[www.tirocinicrui.it](http://www.tirocinicrui.it)

**Junior Professional Officer  
(JPO) / Associated experts (AEs)**

- graduate up to 30 years (33 for medicine)
- 1 year (+ ev. 2. year)
- application in october

[www.undesa.it](http://www.undesa.it)



# Key competences

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- Capacity of problem – solving
- Self-management
- Capacity of communication
- Capacity of team working
- Language competence

**“certification”  
via CV**

+ leadership



# Organizations with specific purpose

- NATO
  - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)
  - Interpol
  - International Energy Agency (IEA)
  - Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)
  - European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN)
  - World Trade Organisation (WTO)
  - World Tourism Organization (UNWTO)
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- Council of Europe
  - European Central Bank (ECB)
  - European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
  - European Patent Office (EPO)
  - Joint Research Centre (JRC)
  - European Space Agency (ESA)
  - Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE)

**students - graduates**



# Internship - European Space Agency

**100 positions / year**

**Location(s):** Noordwijk (NL), Paris, Darmstadt (DE), Frascati (IT), Cologne (DE), Villanueva de la Cañada (ES), French Guiana, Redu (BE), Harwell (UK)

**Who can apply:** 2. year master studies from member and associated States

**Languages:** fluency in 2 (mother tongue and foreign language)

**Sectors:** engineering, science, IT, business and administration services

**Duration:** 3 a 6 months

**Allowance:** €600,00/month



**Application november  
Start: from february onwards**

**Step 1. Select the one that best matches your interests and profile**

**Step 2. REGISTER**

**Step 3: Create your profile with CV and motivation letter**

**December/January: shortlisting and selection of candidates**

[www.esa.int/About\\_Us/Careers\\_at\\_ESA/Student\\_Internships2](http://www.esa.int/About_Us/Careers_at_ESA/Student_Internships2)



# Finance - Logistic

**Depends on specific  
organization**

- Own funds
- Salary (EU commission:  
1176,83 Euro, UN New York:  
0,00 dollari)
- scholarship (Erasmus+, MIUR,  
European Social Fund, .....)
- working evening - weekends

- Health insurance
- Organization of travel,  
housing and visa
- Logistic help
- “Community” di actual  
interns



# International Non-Governmental Organizations

- Greenpeace
- WWF
- Scout Movement
- Amnesty International
- Red Cross
- Médecins du Monde
- War Child Holland
- Birdlife International

- Union of Industrial and Employers' Confederations of Europe (UNICE)
- Eurochambres
- Confédération européenne des syndicats (CES)
- UEFA
- CARITAS
- Bureau Européen des Unions de Consommateurs (BEUC)
- Political parties

Share of values  
Engagement



# Active research

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## AMBIENTE

*World*

**Greenpeace – Friends of Earth -  
WWF - IUCN**

*Europe*

**Eufores - Naturfreunde – European  
Environment Bureau –  
European Biomass Organisation**

*National level*

**National Trust UK – Green Trust  
UK – Milieudefensie NL – Eau et  
rivieres FR**

## SOCCKER

1. FIFA
2. Fédération Française du Football
3. Les Ligues Régionales
4. Département du Bas-Rhin

**Speculative  
application**



# Foundation - Charity

**European Charitable Foundations: 148.000**

**Operating on national and international level**

**International staff**

Social inclusion - democracy - international development

**www.efc.be**

European Foundation Centre  
236 MEMBERS AND AFFILIATED PARTNERS

Donors and Foundations Networks in Europe (Dafne)  
<https://dafne-online.eu>

## Artificial Intelligence

Fondation Botnar (CH)  
Volkswagen Foundation (DE)  
Cloudera Foundation (USA)  
Wadhwani Foundation (IND)  
Skoll Foundation (USA)

## Top Ten FOUNDATION

Stichting INGKA Foundation, Netherlands  
Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, USA  
Wellcome Trust, UK  
Howard Hughes Medical Institute, USA  
Novo Nordisk S/A, Denmark  
The MasterCard Foundation, Canada  
Lilly Endowment, USA  
Ford Foundation, USA  
The Garfield Weston Foundation  
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation



# Lobbying

- **Consultancy:** rural development, cultural innovation, European planning, sustainability....
- **Legal:** internationalization, environmental law, labor law ...
- **Professional bodies:** architects, psychologists, engineers ... ..
- **Research institutes:** surveys, market research
- **Think tanks** strategy

## Bruxelles: Top Ten

- Cefic - European Chemical Industry Council
- Instituto de Telecomunicações
- European Centre for Development Policy Manag.
- FTI Consulting Belgium
- Fleishman-Hillard
- European Council on Foreign Relations
- Insurance Europe
- Burson Cohn & Wolfe Sprl
- Eurocities
- Google

[www.eurobrussels.com](http://www.eurobrussels.com)



# Associazioni studentesche internazionali

Offrono programmi di stage all'estero oppure assistenza

**www.aiesec.org** - www.aiesec.it

tutte le discipline

**www.fejs.org**

comunicazione

**www.iapss.org**

facoltà -  
università

scienze politiche

**www.elsa.org** - www.elsaitalia.it

giurisprudenza

**www.iaeste.org**

materie tecniche

**www.best.eu.org**

tecnologia

**https://nazionale.sism.org**

medicina



# Virtual internships

- application as for face-to-face activities
- even part time
- project work / video tutorials only
- one referent as mentor and instructor
- duration between 1 and 3 months
- most without pay

advantages: flexibility - result and deadline oriented - improvement of technical skills - NO VISA

**Activities**  
(for example)  
Research  
Marketing  
Fundraising  
Project Design

Event Management

[www.theinterngroup.com](http://www.theinterngroup.com)  
[www.virtualinternships.com](http://www.virtualinternships.com)

CANNOT replace  
Internship in attendance



# "International" internship with english

## Features

- "International" orientation
- Medium to large companies
- Qualified tutor
- Internship with a view to recruitment
- Minimum duration 3 months during the year
- Summer Internship: selection by February-March
- Candidature: 3 to 6 months before
- Reimbursement according to sector - company size
- Recent graduates: Graduate Internship / Program

International bank Dublin

Engineering consulting Oslo

Exhibition fair Budapest

Europ. project manag. Valencia

Intern. Organisation Lisboa

Headquarter Amsterdam

Twinning office Cracovia

Assoc. Legal advice refugees Malta

Biotechn. research Munich

Tour Operator Prag

Startup Mobility Copenhagen

Health management Paris



## International cities

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**UN: New York – Geneva – The Hague - Vienna – Nairobi**

**– Paris**

**EU: Brussels – Strasbourg – Luxembourg**

**NGO: Brussels – London – New York - Amsterdam**

**Companies: .....**

Berlin - Frankfurt



# Link

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Società Italiana per l'Organizzazione Internazionale

[www.sioi.org](http://www.sioi.org)

*Movimento Studentesco per l'Organizzazione Internazionale (MSOI)*

World Federation of United Nations Associations

<https://wfuna.org/youth>

[www.wikipedia.org](http://www.wikipedia.org)

> non profit in europe

ONG cooperazione internazionale

[www.ongitaliane.org](http://www.ongitaliane.org)

Cooperazione intern

[www.reliefweb.int](http://www.reliefweb.int)

Lavoro, stage e volontariato

[www.idealista.org](http://www.idealista.org)

Newsletter “muoversi”

[www.eurocultura.it](http://www.eurocultura.it)

Newsletter “Scambi Europei”

[www.scambieuropei.info](http://www.scambieuropei.info)

Eurodesk

[www.eurodesk.it](http://www.eurodesk.it)

# Career Academy

di Eurocultura

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*Webinar gratuiti*

*L'estero con gli occhi delle donne*

*Destinazione Australia*

*Lavoro in Scandinavia*

*Candidatura in lingua tedesca*

**www.eurocultura.it**

# Good luck!

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