

Climate Action Network Europe is looking for a Post-Election Advocacy Assistant (m/f/x) (Traineeship, 6 months, Brussels)

Climate Action Network (CAN) Europe is Europe's leading NGO coalition fighting dangerous climate change. We are a unique network, in which environmental and development organisations work together to issue joint lobby campaigns and maximise their impact. With over **200 member organisations** active in **40 European countries**, representing **over 1,700 NGOs** and **more than 40 million citizens**, CAN Europe promotes sustainable climate, energy and development policies throughout Europe.

We're currently seeking a dynamic individual with a demonstrated interest in European climate and energy policies to work on various issues and tasks with us in particular with regard to the work following the EU elections, reconfiguration of the European Parliament etc. The individual will gain professional experience in our team as a Post-election advocacy Assistant. The position is full time and based in Belgium (in our Brussels-based secretariat or working from home).

Required skills and experiences:

- Recent graduate or advanced degree in a relevant policy field such as economics, politics or communications;
- Good knowledge of EU climate, energy policies;
- Excellent level of written and spoken English (any other European language is a plus);
- Excellent communication and networking skills;
- High level of motivation and the ability to learn and execute project work while meeting deadlines
- Team spirit and creativity:
- Ability and willingness to work in virtual settings (as not all collaborating staff are based in Brussels)
- Experience in using Google Workspace (Doc, Excel, Powerpoint etc.)

The ideal candidate will preferably have some of the following attributes:

- Demonstrated interest in the mission and values of CAN Europe and ideally first experience in an NGO or social movement environment;
- Experience in climate/energy policies especially with EU relevance;
- Analytical skills and quick learner;
- Experience in large team working in a hybrid setting;
- Familiarity with EU institutions, particularly the functioning of the European Parliament and the Council:
- Experience in using any creative content programme (Canva or Adobe Suite etc.) is a plus.



Internship contents:

- The intern's role will focus on supporting the work around the advocacy and network activities on the EU's post-election set up (with the reconfiguration of the Parliament, hearings of commissioner candidates etc.), thereby acquiring relevant knowledge, skills and experiences for future employment;
- The intern will gain insights into the operation of an international NGO coalition fighting dangerous climate change and a chance to engage with a number of other NGOs, decision makers and climate activists;
- Tasks will include news monitoring (on the EU/Member States level) on post-election set-ups and
 positioning of key EU political groups with regard to the future of the European Green Deal,
 support in managing contacts with Members of our network, support in advocacy
 activities/network mobilization as part of our work towards the post-election setting, support in
 writing talking points and compelling advocacy documents (blogs, briefings etc.);
- Tasks around CAN Europe's chairing of the Green10 NGO collaboration in the 2nd half of 2024, including support in producing and updating website content, support in organizing physical and virtual events, support in the identification of amplifiers on social media of campaign key messages in key countries, assistance in broad project managing tasks.

With this opportunity, we offer:

- A six-month paid internship contract under Belgian law (CIP) with a gross compensation of 1.435,36 €/month plus additional benefits;
- An exciting and highly motivating working environment;
- An opportunity to contribute to climate action and development;
- Valuable professional experience;
- An introduction to one of the largest networks of European NGOs.

More about us:

We are an open and inclusive, multicultural, multilingual team and explicitly encourage applications from all applicants, independent of their age, ancestry, colour, disability, ethnicity, family or marital status, gender identity or expression, national origin, political affiliation, race, religion, sex or sexual orientation.

How to apply:

Please send an email with your CV and a Motivation letter explaining how you fit the job profile for this specific position, both written in English, to: internships@caneurope.org. Important: Subject line must be "Application: Post-Election Advocacy Assistant".

The interviews will be conducted in English and online (on Zoom).

Closing date for applications: Friday, 17 May end of the day

The expected start date is flexible but should be as soon as possible.

This internship position was first advertised on 3rd of May on caneurope.org.

Contact

For any questions in relation to this position, please contact Winfried Hoke via internships@caneurope.org.