



Healthy Environments (Internship/Traineeship)

Background

The European Public Health Alliance (EPHA) is key in advocating for better health for all across Europe. As a leader alliance in public health, EPHA influences policies in coordination with its extensive network of NGOs, patient groups, health professionals, and disease-focused groups. Our structure enables a comprehensive approach to health advocacy, segmented into seven thematic clusters that target specific health challenges and policy areas.

The [Healthy Environments cluster](#) is a critical component of EPHA's strategy, focusing on mitigating the health impacts of issues like unsustainable food systems and prevention of non-communicable diseases (NCDs), which are the 21st century's foremost health issue, responsible for the vast majority of premature deaths and diseases in Europe.

For a real change agent, a capable, ambitious, and proactive people are the key ingredient, which is what EPHA can rightfully boast about. Our professional, young, vibrant, multicultural team creates an open, warm and inclusive working environment. We are looking for a highly motivated master's student or recent graduate to join the Healthy Environments cluster as a **policy intern**. The candidate should have a strong affinity for EU policy relating to our main work streams, which include:

- Non-communicable Disease (NCD) Prevention: With a focus on the impact of known risk factors, social and commercial determinants of health, affecting quality of life wellbeing, chronic health conditions, including mental health.
- Evidence-Based Policy: Dedicated to developing policies that are grounded in scientific research, ensuring that the solutions proposed are effective and sustainable.
- Co-creation of Solutions: Engaging with a broad range of stakeholders including public health professionals, policymakers, and community leaders to create innovative, inclusive solutions that address the root causes of health issues.

Key responsibilities

- Support the policy manager and coordinator in the smooth running of the Healthy Environment Policy Cluster:
 - Help with organising and conducting meetings with the Cluster's members – including sending invitations, drafting of agenda and minutes, and follow-up communication;
 - Facilitating communications with the cluster members and with the EPHA team on articles, statements, and input for consultations;
 - Joining and supporting the Policy Coordinator in meetings with various stakeholders, including EU policy makers, NGOs and researchers;
- Facilitate the dissemination of EPHA's Healthy Environments work, liaising with the communications team:
 - Supporting our Comms team in drafting the Newsletter;
 - Preparing posts for and running social media campaigns;
 - Supporting planning of events/workshops/webinars;



The successful candidate MUST meet the following criteria:

- Master's student/graduate, preferably but not necessarily in an area related to (public) policy, advocacy, law, health, humanistic or social studies;
- Maximum 1 year working experience; volunteer experience is an advantage
- Excellent English language skills, both verbal and written, to present and produce high-quality written outputs; additional languages are an advantage

Desired:

- Affinity with and/or knowledge of the functioning of EU institutions, policy processes, and equality/public health/social policy;
- Strong project management/organisational skills; keeping track of tasks; knowing how to prioritise; attention to detail; able to show initiative;
- Strong interpersonal/culturally sensitive communication skills to independently communicate with relevant stakeholders;
- Culturally sensitive to build trust relationships with a wide range of stakeholders;

Conditions

- Full-time position
- Minimum duration internship/traineeship 6 months
- Internship unpaid/traineeship under Convention d'immersion professionnelle (CIP) benefit of 1200,00 Euros/month
- Professional experience in a multicultural organisation

Application process

- Send your CV and motivation letter to jobs@epha.org stating 'Healthy Environments Policy Trainee' in the subject line
- Deadline: November 1, 2024
- Interviews will take place: Virtually through the Microsoft Teams App
- Foreseen starting date: As soon as possible

We are committed to crafting an inclusive culture that celebrates diversity, and strive to be a Great Place to Work for All. All qualified applicants will be considered for employment, regardless of any aspect that makes them outstanding (including race, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, age, marital status, pregnancy, disability). If you need any accommodation due to disability or any other reason, you can let the recruiter know during your application process