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Placement Proposal

Erasmus Student Mobility for Placements program

COMPANY DESCRIPTION

GTZ Profile

As an international cooperation enterprise for sustainable development with worldwide operations, the federally owned Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit (GTZ) GmbH supports the German Government in achieving its development-policy objectives. It provides viable, forward-looking solutions for political, economic, ecological and social development in a globalised world. Working under difficult conditions, GTZ promotes complex reforms and change processes. Its corporate objective is to improve people's living conditions on a sustainable basis.

GTZ is a federal enterprise based in Eschborn near Frankfurt am Main. It was founded in 1975 as a company under private law. The German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) is its major client. The company also operates on behalf of other German ministries, the governments of other countries and international clients, such as the European Commission, the United Nations and the World Bank, as well as on behalf of private enterprises. GTZ works on a public-benefit basis. All surpluses generated are channelled back into its own international cooperation projects for sustainable development.

GTZ employs some 13,000 staff in more than 130 countries of Africa, Asia, Latin America, the Eastern European countries in transition and the New Independent States (NIS). Around 10,000 of these staff are national personnel. GTZ maintains its own offices in 87 countries. Some 1,700 people are employed at Head Office in Eschborn near Frankfurt am Main.

GTZ in Brussels

The European Union is of great importance for GTZ in two distinct ways. Firstly, European Union objectives and regulations increasingly influence the national policies of its member states. They thus also affect German policies on development, the environment and foreign policy. Secondly, the Directorates-General of the European Commission in Brussels are important clients for GTZ.

The GTZ Representation in Brussels is the contact point within the company for issues relating to European development cooperation. It maintains close contact with the EU institutions and provide a platform for GTZ expertise in Brussels.

GTZ Representation Brussels

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TRAINEESHIP DESCRIPTION

The Brussels Representation of the GTZ, the German Technical Cooperation, is regularly looking for interns for a period of 3-6 months through the Erasmus Student Mobility for Placements program.

Tasks:

- Assisting in day-to-day activities
- Assisting in the organisation of workshops and conferences
- Research of EU development policies
- Legislative monitoring of the activities of the European Parliament

Profile:

- Current student or recent graduate in the field of political or social sciences (or other relevant studies);
- Interested in and some experience with international development policies
- Good knowledge of EU institutions, preferably a previous internship with the Parliament or the Commission;
- Excellent English skills; German, Portuguese and/or French would be an asset.

Please send your letter of motivation and CV (picture is optional) to claudia.garman@gtz.de.

Please note that **only applicants who succeed in the initial screening will receive a response**. Due to the large amount of applications received, telephone, e-mail or fax enquiries **cannot** be dealt with.

Links
http://www.gtz.de/en/index.htm