

# INTERNATIONAL SOLAR ALLIANCE

## INTERNSHIP PROGRAM - 2019

The International Solar Alliance (ISA) is a treaty-based intergovernmental organization that was launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi of India and Former President François Hollande of France at COP 21. ISA's mission is to provide a dedicated platform for cooperation among solar resource rich countries where the global community, including bilateral and multilateral organizations, corporates, industry, and other stakeholders, can make a positive contribution to help achieve the common goals of increasing the use of solar energy to become energy secure in a safe, convenient, affordable, equitable and sustainable manner. 73 countries have signed and 50 countries have signed and ratified the ISA Framework Agreement. ISA has been registered with the United Nations under Article 102 of the UN Charter as an intergovernmental organization with effect from February 9, 2018.

The ISA Internship Program offers graduate students from diverse academic backgrounds an opportunity to acquire direct exposure to ISA's operations and to enhance their educational experience through practical work assignments. It allows selected candidates to gain insight into the work of the Alliance and provides a learning opportunity in various professional fields.

Applicants should have an interest in ISA's work, ability to adapt to new environments and work in a team with people from different cultural backgrounds. Interns work under the supervision of an ISA staff member. The internship will be based out of the head-quarters of ISA at Gwal Pahari, Gurugram Delhi NCR.

#### Qualifying for an Internship

Interns are selected on a competitive basis, based on the needs of the Alliance

- Candidates should be enrolled in a post-graduate program or in their final year of undergraduate studies, in fields related to the work of the Alliance (including economics, environmental sciences, law, international relations, natural sciences, engineering, political science, human resources, public administration, business administration, IT/computer sciences, communications, etc.) at the time of application and during the entire period of internship.
- Recent graduates can also be included in the internship program provided the start date of the internship is less than one year from completion of studies.
- Applicants must be able to work in English. Knowledge of another language would be an asset.

#### **Expenses and Medical Insurance**

ISA does not pay a stipend for internships. The costs associated with the latter must be borne by the nominating institution, related institution or government, which may provide the required financial assistance to its students; or by the student, who will have to obtain financing for subsistence and make his or her own arrangements for travel, visa, medical insurance etc.



## Tasks Performed by the Interns

The activities performed vary according to the opening and the requirements of the different departments to which interns are allocated. Interns will indulge in the assignments given to them based on their qualifications that are broadly categorized as the following:

- Data driven research and analysis;
- Policy writings;
- Develop project finance proposals and budgets;
- Writing work plans and drafting project proposals;
- Communicating and assisting National Focal Points with the research of their respective countries;
- Policy and legal research, including on international law and laws relating to international organizations.
- Drafting and vetting of contracts, MOUs, and other international agreements entered into by the Alliance or its member States.
- Assisting in the organization of conferences, forums or other collaborative events;
- Publishing knowledge stories/best practices.

## **Application Procedures**

Applicants should apply by sending an updated CV and a Letter of Interest stating the reason and skills that will support their candidature. All applications will be sent directly to the <u>Archanabhardwaj@isolaralliance.org</u>, indicating the date of availability.

Please note that only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for further arrangements.

NOTE: If selected for the position, interns are requested to provide a letter from university confirming current enrolment and graduation date, a copy of school transcript, a letter of endorsement from a professor, a medical certificate of good health, a copy of medical insurance coverage during internship assignment in India, and a copy of passport.