

INTERNATIONAL MOVEMENT AGAINST ALL FORMS OF DISCRIMINATION AND RACISM (IMADR)

Internships at the IMADR Geneva Office in February and March 2012

The International Movement Against All Forms of Discrimination and Racism (IMADR) is an international non-profit, non-governmental human rights organization devoted to eliminating discrimination and racism, forging international solidarity among affected groups and advancing the international human rights system. Currently IMADR Geneva Office is offering internship opportunities in February and March 2012. The internships is organised in accordance with relevant UN human rights meetings. Unfortunately IMADR is not in a position to offer financial assistance or provide accommodation to interns of any type. For general information of our internship, please also refer to: <http://www.imadr.org/Internship%20General%20Info.pdf>.

Main tasks of interns:

The main task of interns is to provide assistance to IMADR in its lobbying and advocacy work at the UN e.g. monitoring relevant meetings, taking notes, reporting etc. Her/his work will be supervised by the staff of IMADR Geneva Office. In addition, interns will be given a topic on which they should write a report during the internship.

Main UN meetings during the internship:

- 1) The 80th Session of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD)
 - From 13 February to 9 March 2012
- 2) The 19th Session of the Human Rights Council (HRC)
 - From 27 February to 23 March 2012

Period of internship:

Exact period of internships should be arranged on individual basis. However, it is preferable that interns stay in Geneva covering the period of at least one of the aforementioned meetings. Internship is completed with the submission of the thematic report.

Number of interns to be recruited: 3 at maximum

Required qualification:

- Excellent language skill in English (writing, listening, reading and speaking)
- High sense of responsibility and good organisation
- Ability to meet deadlines -Knowledge of relevant computer programmes (e.g. Word)
- Bachelor's degree (at least) in relevant subjects
- Interest and knowledge in issues relating to IMADR's activity
- Basic knowledge of UN Human Rights mechanisms and International Human Rights Laws

Desirable qualification:

- Knowledge of French and/or other UN languages
- Profound knowledge of international human rights laws, Treaty Body system, in particular of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (ICERD), CERD, and Human Rights Council (HRC).
- Good skill and experience in reporting
- Experience in working with/in NGOs

Application:

Please send your CV with a cover letter stating your motivation and answers to following questions via email to Mr. Daisuke Shirane (dshirane@imadr.org).

Only short-listed candidates will be contacted via email.

Questions to be answered:

1. Where did you obtain the information about IMADR and/or this internship?
2. Are you familiar with IMADR's mandate and scope of activities? In which activities, characters, projects of IMADR are you particularly interested?
3. Are you aware of the fact that we are not in a position to provide any financial assistance to our interns?
4. How long can/will you stay in Geneva?
5. Do you have a laptop that you can use during the internship?
6. Are you, and to what extent, familiar with international human rights laws and the UN human rights mechanisms, especially with the HRC and ICERD/CERD?
7. What is your experience, if any, in monitoring meetings and reporting?
8. What is your particular interest and concern regarding this internship?
9. Are you associated with any NGOs or involved in any NGO activity in the fields of human rights and/or humanitarian issues (if so, in which way and what is your main task(s))?