

GreenBudgetEurope

European expert platform on environmental taxation and green fiscal reform

Become an Intern at Green Budget Europe

Starting in March for 5-6 months in Brussels

1 Who we are

Green Budget Europe (GBE) is a Europe-wide expert platform which works to promote dialogue and deliver progress on environmental fiscal reform (EFR) and on Market Based Instruments (MBI) internationally, at EU level, and in individual European states.

We disseminate information about and promote fiscal and budgetary policies that take climate, environment and sustainability issues into account and support partner organisations in their campaigns.

By implementing environmental taxes, countries can:

- Cut pollution
- Conserve scarce resources, and
- Enhance social equity through a careful and considered approach to reform.

Our activities include:

- Organising and participating in conferences, seminars, workshops and parliamentary hearings to foster dialogue and deliver progress on EFR;
- Conducting and disseminating research and best practice on EFR to key stakeholders, our networks, and the wider public;
- One-to-one meetings with political decision-makers and others influential in policy-making to put forward our arguments and propose implementation strategies;
- Responding to and commenting on on-going political processes, and highlighting potential windows of opportunity for EFR in the media, online and in print publications.

2 Your role

You will be given the opportunity to support GBE in all its activities, including:

- Organisational and administrative support for organising stakeholder events and expert workshops;
- Organisational and administrative support for running the Green Budget Europe network;
- Support for the maintenance of our website, network and access database;
- Support for the implementation of advocacy activities on EU and Member State level;
- Events management and attendance;
- Production of our English language newsletter;

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- Research on MBIs for the environment, the European Semester process and other relevant topics for the work of GBE.

3 Our ideal candidate

- Mandatory: must be enrolled in university or obtained last degree no longer than 18 months ago
- University studies in economics, political science or environmental sciences
- Knowledge of current economic and environmental policy
- Basic knowledge of the European Union and its institutional structure
- Excellent command of English, spoken and written
- Good command of French
- Good communication skills
- Experience in the use of relevant computer programs and internet research
- Organisational talent and ability to work independently

4 Your application

Applications should include a cover letter outlining the reasons why you'd like to work with Green Budget Europe, your CV and three samples of written work in English. The written samples should be 500 to 1.500 words in length and can include extracts from longer documents. The written work does not need to be on environmental fiscal reform: the aim here is to assess functional writing skills and the material can be drawn from a wide variety of sources (articles, essays, extracts from same, thesis excerpts, funding applications, etc.).

Volunteers will work in our office in Brussels and will receive a monthly financial contribution of 200 EUR. An agreement will be signed providing for the contribution.

Please send your complete application including cover letter, CV and references to James Nix, Director of Green Budget Europe (gbe@green-budget.eu), with "GBE Intern 3/2015" in the subject line.

Please include the cover letter, the CV and the three samples within a single PDF document, with a contents page giving a one-sentence description and word count for each of the three samples.

Deadline for applications is February 11th 2015, 1 pm CET.