



Internship Opportunities with Rijksdienst voor Ondernemend Nederland (RVO.nl) / Ministry of Economic Affairs

RVO.nl is offering internships of about five-six months, during which interns would work on the content and the logistics of programmes for foreign visitors on official tours to the Netherlands. The visitors may be 'Influentials' (e.g. in politics, business or academia), High Potentials (future leaders) or journalists. These visits are organised under the banner of public diplomacy, as their aim is to generate economic activity of Dutch enterprises or to create a better image of the Netherlands abroad. Programmes last between 2 – 10 days.

The internship will be located in *The Hague*. However, during the official visits interns will be required to accompany delegations and stay in different hotels all over the country. Tasks and duties will be discussed and are partly dependent on the eagerness of the intern. Interns are required all year round, but at the moment RVO.nl is looking for interns starting *in July 2019*. RVO.nl will pay the travel costs and remuneration of 550 euros a month.

Potential interns:

- Should be registered as a student and should have a bachelor's degree
- Must have the Dutch citizenship
- Should be fluent in both English and Dutch
- Must have an international orientation, either in their studies and/or life experiences
- Must have an open mind and a broad interest in what is happening in the world
- Must be able to engage with experts and important people from all over the world
- Must be eager to deal with a wide range of programme topics such as: Logistics, Human Rights, LGBT, Sports, Agri/horticulture, Bicycle infrastructure, Law & Democracy
- Must have very good organisation skills, capacity to cope with stress and urgent matters, be flexible and hardworking – occasionally up to 10 hours a day

RVO.nl programmes will require interns to engage in a lot of *content* work as well as planning and organisation; this will include conceptualisation of a programme, ensuring coherence in the subject matter, logical planning of sessions, briefing Dutch speakers and organisations on key issues to share/highlight with foreign visitors, etc. Naturally, interns will be assisted in this work by experienced RVO.nl staff.

An internship with RVO.nl will offer individuals an exciting time, an opportunity to really test their competences, insights into various aspects of the Netherlands and the possibility to meet important people from different cultural backgrounds.

NB: It is not likely that an internship will result in a full-time engagement with RVO.nl

If you are interested in this opportunity, please send your CV and cover letter to:

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