Internship positions 2018-2019

General information:
IASP, located at the Technology Park of Andalusia (Spain), offers new internship positions (for 6 or 12 months) within the Communication & Events and Projects & Services working areas! Please see the following pages to learn about the different options available and find out more about the positions offered.

This document contains all the relevant information and conditions related to this internship programme.

IASP at a glance
IASP is an international non-profit association that gathers Science and Technology Parks, Areas of Innovation, Business Incubators, and other institutions and professionals in the fields related to technology transfer and innovation policies. At present, IASP has 376 members in 77 countries, which represent a network of over 142,000 companies. IASP also has a branch office in Beijing (China).

IASP is basically a network, and as such, it functions with great flexibility, as do its staff. The permanent team at our Headquarters is currently formed of eight people covering four main areas: General Directorate, Membership & Administration, Projects & Services and Communication & Events.

Added to this IASP has the three permanent staff in its China Office and also outsources many tasks to a number of professionals that collaborate with IASP on a regular basis: legal issues, accounting and the management of a number of specific projects.

Communication and Events at IASP
The IASP Communication and Events team is made up of three people (including this position) and carries out tasks related to conferences and events, promotional materials and branding, networking assistance, social media, traditional communication and media relations.

Projects and Services at IASP
The IASP Projects and Services team is made up of three people (including this position) and carries out tasks related to projects, surveys, data analysis, knowledge management, membership services and enquiries.

The candidates selected for these positions will participate in projects from the different work areas according to need (see pages 3-7 for more details and pages 8-9 for testimonials from past IASP interns).

For full information about our association, please visit our website www.iasp.ws.

Duration of the Internship:

- 12 months: from 1st August 2018 to 31st July 2019
- 6 months: from 1st August 2018 to 31st January 2019
- 6 months: from 1st February 2019 to 31st July 2019

The candidate will be asked to select the preferred choice in the online application form.

Holidays:
The number of days of paid holidays depends on the duration of the internship (10 days for the 6 month internship and 20 days for the 12 month internship).

Working hours:
Monday - Friday: from 09:00h to 15:00h.

The intern has a reduced working week of 30 working hours, thus giving him/her more chances to attend Spanish language courses if he/she chooses to do so.

The city:
With more than 565,000 inhabitants, Malaga is the second biggest city in Andalusia, a region in Southern Spain. The city and its surrounding area is a major tourism hub, but it has also a large and growing industry, including many technology- and knowledge-based sectors such as IT, software, food industry, electronics etc.

Malaga has a university with more than 40,000 students. The city is also famous for its large number of Spanish language courses available for foreigners, which can be followed either at the university or at many private schools and language centres.

The Technology Park where the IASP office is located is a highly developed area with 620 companies and more than 16,000 people working there (www.pta.es).

Remuneration:
The intern will receive 500 € (net) per month.

It will be necessary for the intern to find his/her own apartment during the internship period in Malaga. Finding accommodation in Malaga is not a problem due to the large number of international students that come to Malaga every year.

Rent in Malaga is usually around €200 - €300 per month for a single room in a shared flat.

IASEP will be happy to help the intern, at his/her request, to find suitable lodging during the first month in Malaga (request to be made at least one month before the beginning of the internship). If this is requested, the first monthly salary payment will be 200€ instead of 500€.

The intern must provide for his/her own transportation to and from the IASP headquarters, meals, language courses, accommodation and any other private expenses, as well as the travel expenses to and from his/her home city to Malaga.

Insurance:
The intern is entitled to receive Spanish state healthcare for the period of their internship and therefore does not require private medical insurance, unless he/she so wish.

For more information about Malaga please visit:
What do we offer?

The main tasks will be defined at the beginning of the internship according to the intern’s profile and personal interests and after a meeting with the IASP Chief Operations Officer and the staff of the respective working areas.

At the end of the period the intern will receive a diploma from the IASP and a letter certifying the completion of his/her internship period.
Communication and Events (Ref: Intern CE)

Profile sought:
We are looking for a University or Higher Education Institution student in:
- Communication and media studies
- Journalism
- Marketing/Advertising studies
- Information management
- International business/relations
- Business administration
- ...or any other degree/qualification related to the above areas.

Essential criteria:
- Good command of written and spoken English.
- Good computer and internet skills; good knowledge of standard MS Office software and design and image editing software.
- Please note that the legal framework to which this internship belongs makes it a requisite for the candidate to be a University student (undergraduate).

Additional skills:
- Knowledge of other languages besides English (especially Spanish) would be an advantage, as would attention to details, a creative eye/approach, good knowledge of design software (Photoshop, Illustrator, etc.) and video editing programmes, and advanced skills in website content management.
- Personal attitude: proactive and capable of independent work. Capacity to adapt to different environments and prior experience living abroad are qualities that will help make the intern’s stay with us particularly beneficial, considering the international nature of our network.

Projects and Services (Ref: Intern PS)

Profile sought:
We are looking for a University or Higher Education Institution student in:
- Business administration
- Economics
- Information management
- International business/relations
- Political sciences
- Sociology
- ...or any other education related to public policies for economic development, innovation policies, entrepreneurship, etc.

Essential criteria:
- Good command of written and spoken English.
- Proficiency with MS Office software (especially Excel and Access) and the Internet. Basic knowledge of SPSS and statistic software is required.
- Please note that the legal framework to which this internship belongs makes it a requisite for the candidate to be University student (undergraduate).

Additional skills:
- Knowledge of other languages besides English (especially Spanish) would be an advantage, as would analytic skills and advanced skills in website content management.
- Personal attitude: proactive and capable of independent work. Capacity to adapt to different environments and prior experience living abroad are qualities that will help make the intern’s stay with us particularly beneficial, considering the international nature of our network.

Application process
Applications must be submitted by the 2nd of April 2018 using the online IASP internship application form available at http://surveys.iasp.ws/index.php/858215/lang-en, clearly indicating which internship position and duration they are applying for. If you have any questions regarding the application, please contact Ms. Carol Engelspach, IASP Membership Secretary at engelspach@iasp.ws (tel: +34 952 028303).

Shortlisted candidates will be invited to an online interview on 17th-18th April. Please keep these dates free. As candidates will be notified by email, it is imperative that you provide an email address that is accessed frequently. Technical details about the platform to be used for the online interview will be shared in due time with the shortlisted candidates.

The selected candidate will have to agree to the content of a third party agreement (see annex IASP Internship Agreement). The agreement will have to be signed by the IASP representative, the applicant for the internship, and the legal representative of the University or Higher Education Institution, before being officially accepted for the internship position.
Meet some of our past interns...

“IASP is a truly global networking company, and I particularly enjoyed the international exposure IASP has to offer. From coordinating promotional material with local designers, to hosting IASP members from all over the World are different aspects of the role that I was able to be involved in. IASP’s staff are incredibly open and welcoming, and all of my colleagues were very helpful when nurturing my working capability throughout the internship. From working at IASP, it has provided me with a great pathway to enter a career within communications and events - and I hope to reconvene with my IASP colleagues in later life.

Malaga is also a brilliant city to live in, and the region of Andalusia has many fantastic places to visit over the weekend. I would recommend the internship to anyone who wishes to experience an International programme and a career in communications, as this is the perfect platform to begin”

Ed Angeli, UK

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I believe that through my work at IASP I have acquired valuable skills that will undoubtedly help me enter the business world.

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Lorenzo Bonetti, Italy

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Andreea Dascalu, Romania

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Working with the Projects & Services department, I was involved in a range of diverse tasks: from assisting on EU projects to preparing reports for members to maintaining and updating databases with relevant information. One of my favourite tasks was working on IASP’s General Survey on the science park industry. It was really interesting being a part of each step of the process from collecting the data to producing graphs for the final report. In particular due to the small size of the IASP team, I felt very involved and that my work was of real value to my colleagues.

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“The internship with IASP is a fantastic opportunity to experience a truly international working environment. From assisting with the organisation of international events to creating promotional materials etc., the internship programme offers a huge variety of tasks through which I gained skills that will really be of benefit to my CV.

During my time with IASP, I worked individually with each member of staff and benefitted from their industry expertise and professional experience.

I would recommend the internship programme to anyone who is interested in an opportunity to gain international experience and to boost their professional skills, which will ultimately lead to greater employability prospects in the future.”

Matthew Powell, UK