



Internship Opportunity

The International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) is looking for an intern for August-September period in Budapest for the following project:

'Evaluations conducted across Europe by the International Federation'

The IFRC is the world's largest humanitarian organization, providing assistance without discrimination as to nationality, race, religious beliefs, class or political opinions.

Founded in 1919, the International Federation comprises 186 member Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, a Secretariat made up of a headquarters in Geneva and seven zone offices, with more than 60 representations strategically located to support activities around the world.

In 2007, as part of a restructuring of the Secretariat of the International Federation, Planning, Monitoring, Evaluation and Reporting (PMER) units were established to improve programme quality to better meet the needs of vulnerable people.

Area of research – Evaluations conducted across Europe by the International Federation

A considerable number of evaluations are conducted each year by the International Federation to give a picture to the stakeholders of the success or otherwise of programmes and emergency operations. The International Federation's approach to evaluations has often been discussed, but a proper review of the quality of evaluations and the systems in place to learn from them has not been undertaken in recent years.

We need to be more aware of the good practices currently being followed within our organization and its members, thus helping to share them more widely and improve the quality of its operations and programmes. In parallel, a system to share the evaluations and disseminate their findings and recommendations is very much needed.

An intern could help us to get a picture on what evaluations and reviews were done in Europe zone in a given period of time. Once such a desk-based review has been done, a set of minimum standards to conducting evaluations that include key stakeholders could be identified.

Timeframe and location

The internship is for 30 days (to be agreed and taken between 1 August – 30 September) in the Europe Zone Office in Budapest. It is a desk review with telephone and email contacts with the International Federation's regional and country representations in Europe as well as with the PMER department in Geneva.

Contact

Interested applicants should send a CV and an expression of interest letter by email to Fiona Walker, Human Resources Manager at: fiona.walker@ifrc.org, copying Diana Szasz, PMER Officer at: diana.szasz@ifrc.org by **30 July 2009**.

The successful applicant will be invited to discuss the project further, agreeing a detailed work plan with deliverables.