

Economic Resilience intern (m/f/d)

Cologne or remote | Starting 17th October 2022 | Internship

Who we are

ZOE Institute for Future-fit Economies is an independent think & do tank based in Cologne. We are dedicated to policy-oriented research and evidence-driven advocacy for a future-fit economy. At the interface of politics, research and civil society in the EU, we develop impulses for an economy that enables humanity to live a good life in harmony with nature.

What we offer

We are a small team that attaches great importance to an appreciative atmosphere and good communication. Further we offer:

- **A motivating working environment** in a small think & do tank that has made it to the top of EU politics in a short time period
- **A strategic, agile, value and purpose oriented** working style
- Free choice of working time and place, supporting a healthy work-life balance
- A dynamic organization that is in the **exciting phase of scaling up its activities**

We are looking for an intern to support us in the upcoming work in our “[Defining resilience in Economic Policymaking](#)” project which covers:

In recent years, the notion of economic resilience has gained considerable momentum in both academia and policymaking. Compounding crises such as the COVID-19 pandemic and the war in Ukraine have placed economic resilience at the core of the EU’s recovery strategy, making resilience a central landmark for economic policy. Despite its frequent use, there is no common understanding of the term “economic resilience”. We are addressing this problem by conceptualising economic resilience in a co-creative way. To enable the measurement and monitoring of economic resilience, we then construct an economic resilience index that quantifies the conceptualisation of economic resilience. Finally, we apply the index by calculating and comparing the performance of EU Member States.

The internship includes the following tasks:

- **Background research** on policies related to the European economic governance framework and EU policy including **literature review** and **event monitoring**
- **Empirical research** with focus on index building and familiarity with statistical tools
- **Drafting content** for **reports, policy briefs** and other **publications**
- **Content development** for Twitter, LinkedIn and ZOE website
- Monitoring of developments at European Union level
- Preparation of **meetings, presentations, and outreach material**
- Support in the **organization of workshops and events** (physical or online) with key stakeholders in economic policy and beyond
- Dissemination of project outputs

Who we are looking for

We are looking for people that share our core principles: Value orientation, sustainability, agility, self-responsibility and flat hierarchies. Your profile should include the following skills, background and knowledge:

- **Background in economics, political science and other related social disciplines.**

- **Demonstrated interest in and previous engagement** with **Economic Resilience** through previous work experiences, coursework, etc. **is welcome but not necessary.**
- **Excellent writing and communication skills**, fluency in **English**, if possible professional proficiency in **German or** at least one other EU language
- **Strong research skills**, knowledge of how to find information quickly and efficiently and ideally familiar with the EU document registers, media and monitoring sites
- Good organisational skills and eye for detail
- **Pro-active and responsive** with ability to quickly understand tasks and situations
- Interest in new economic thinking, sustainability, and governance processes

Furthermore, the following skills would be an asset:

- Design and visual presentation skills

Conditions

We are looking for a full-time intern, whereby working hours can be arranged flexibly. We offer the internship from 17th October, lasting three months. There is the possibility for an internship with regular presence in Cologne as well as a fully remote internship. **Our internships can currently only be offered to individuals based in Germany.** The intern will receive a monthly allowance.

Diversity

We believe that our society's behaviour disproportionately hurts the most marginalized people – including people of colour, people from working class backgrounds, people with disabilities, women and LGBTIQ people. We are committed to challenge this through our work for socially just development and by creating a diverse workplace at our organisation. Hence, we strongly encourage applications from people who are members of marginalized communities.

Application procedure

We are accepting applications for this role until **September 30th**. Please send your CV (max 2 pages), a motivation letter (400 - 500 words) and a work sample (could be a thesis, an essay, power point slides or anything similar) to applications@zoe-institut.de. Please do **not attach a photo** to your application. **Please state “Internship application” in the subject line.** If we consider your application to be suitable, we will get back to you as soon as possible with dates for an online interview. In case of any questions please contact Ravi Tripathi: ravi.tripathi@zoe-institut.de.