



TRAINEESHIP PROGRAMME

Why it is an opportunity for you?

OCTA trainees will have the opportunity to contribute to the development of the Association. They will help in the day to day basis of the work carried out by the Executive Team and its Secretariat. It will be a good opportunity to work in close collaboration with the European Union.

What will you do?

The trainee will provide assistance with all the communication support (social media, website, webinars, etc.). They will be able to support the work of OCTA in researching, drafting and editing, e.g. reports; as well as supporting the daily work of the OCTA Secretariat.

What do we expect from you?

A trainee will have an open-minded approach to OCTs and European issues. It is key to be interested in international politics (including among others international development, energy, environment, etc.). You will work in a multicultural context together with a proactive team.

What are we looking for?

The traineeship is open to young professionals and young graduates from the OCTs:

Aruba, Bonaire, Curaçao, French Polynesia, Greenland, New Caledonia, Saba, Saint Barthélemy, Saint-Pierre-et-Miquelon, St Eustatius, Sint Maarten, TAAF, Wallis & Futuna.

The trainee we look for is a young dynamic person with at least C1 Level in English – according to the CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages). Proficiency in Dutch, French or Greenlandic will be strong assets. They should have completed a Bachelor degree (License) in Communication, International Studies or any related field linked to the OCTs. Some working experience in a company or organization (NGO, Government, International organization, etc.) is desirable.

Traineeship compensation package:

Allowance: The living allowance for the traineeship sessions in 2022 will be €1000 per month.

Duration of the traineeship: September 1st to December 23rd 2022.

Visa costs and insurance: will be reimbursed.

Travel expenses: one flight ticket (Economy Class) from and to your place of residency are covered at the beginning and end of the traineeship.

How to apply:

Send your CV and Motivation Letter to marta@overseas-association.eu by the 15 July 2022 at 16h (Brussels time).

Deadline to apply

15 July 2022 at 16h (Brussels time)

For more information, visit our website at www.overseas-association.eu.



BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Structure and mission

OCTA is registered as a non-profit organization in Belgium and has 13 members. Its highest decision-making authority is the Ministerial Conference which consists of the representatives (Political Heads of Government or delegates) of each member Government.

The Ministerial Conference meets annually and sets the political orientations and priorities of the association. It appoints a rotating Chairman who heads the organization until the next meeting, and elects an Executive Committee (ExCo) whose task is to manage the daily operations of the association.

Vision

For all Overseas Countries and Territories (OCTs) of the European Union (EU) to be on a path of sustainable development, whilst protecting our natural environment, by promoting economic and human development through cooperation with the EU as well as with regional and global partners.

Mission

Working collectively through the promotion of common positions and partnerships for the sustainable development of OCTs by cooperation, capacity building and communication.

Strategic objectives

- To consolidate and reinforce solidarity between OCTs and EU stakeholders.
- To make recommendations and carry out various projects/programmes to enhance opportunities, comparative advantage and natural assets in order to strengthen the position of OCTs at regional and global levels.
- To promote cooperation and develop a knowledge centre and thematic networks in order to consolidate ownership and provide a point of reference for creating and disseminating valuable information on the relationship between the EU and the OCTs.
- To create a framework to engage the private sector, academia and civil society.
- To enhance the profile, the reputation and position of the OCTs.