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**Internship – Partnerships and Communications,**

**WFP Nordic Office, Copenhagen**

The UN World Food Programme (WFP) Nordic Office presence in Copenhagen provides a strategic entry point to the Nordic governments – Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden – combined the 3rd largest overall government donor to WFP (2022) and top donors of flexible funding. Through proactive advocacy, effective positioning, trends analysis and engagement the office creates enabling environments to protect and further increase Nordic government funding, builds informed constituencies, and safeguards public support to strengthen resourcing and operational partnerships to maximize impact for a world with zero hunger.

WFP is the world’s largest humanitarian organization saving lives in emergencies and using food assistance to build a pathway to peace, stability, and prosperity, for people recovering from conflict, disasters, and the impact of climate change.

Are you passionate about humanitarian and development work? And do you want to gain experience within advocacy and communication to position WFP with public, private, and external partners to attract policy support, resources, technical assistance and innovative solutions to advance the work of WFP? Then come join us as our next Finnish Partnerships and Communications Intern!

# **General Information**

* **Title of Post:** Internship
* **Supervisor:** WFP Nordic Office Director
* **Unit:** Public Partnerships and Resourcing (PPR)
* **Country:** Denmark
* **Duty Station:** UN City Copenhagen (UN hub hosting 11 UN organizations)
* **Duration of internship:** 6 months (full-time position)
* **Expected Start Date:** 7th August 2023
* **Expected End Date:** 9th February 2024

**Duties and responsibilities**

Under the direct supervision of the WFP Nordic Office Director, the candidate will perform the following duties:

* + Carry out national political surveillance on issues related to the work and mandate of WFP and report on relevant developments in government policies in Finland
	+ Monitor trends and issues which impact hunger and food assistance and identify opportunities for WFP to influence key stakeholders through strategic advocacy and positioning
	+ Maintain close relationships to national partner organizations – such as civil society organizations, NGOs, stand-by partners, and others – to jointly position the fight against hunger as a key global priority
	+ Assist in the planning and preparation of visits, meetings, and conferences, briefing material and other assets that support the positioning of WFP vis-à-vis key Finnish stakeholders
	+ Maintain and further expand WFP Nordic Office’s online support base through:
		- Translating, editing, and updating Finnish website
		- Creating content, translating, editing, and updating Finnish Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram account
		- Generating original and impactful donor specific visibility content to support Nordic fundraising efforts
	+ Translate and distribute corporate updates, statements, and press-releases
	+ Cooperate on various campaigns and outreach activities
	+ Host visits and give presentations to key stakeholders and the broader public to position the work and mandate of WFP
	+ Handle inquiries from students and general public
	+ Monitor national media on issues related to the work and mandate of WFP and report on relevant media coverage
	+ Any other duties as required

### Qualifications and experience

* Currently enrolled and having completed at least two years of undergraduate studies*or* have recently graduated in the last six months
* University course attendance in the past 12 months
* Excellent written communication skills in Finnish and English
* Experience with translations – from English into Finnish and vice versa
* Fluency in Finnish (mother tongue); excellent command of English; Working knowledge of a second UN language would be an asset
* Proficiency in MS Office (Word, Excel, Power Point, Outlook)

**Desirable requirements**

* BA or MA in Communication, Journalism, Politics, International Development, or other fields related to the mandate of WFP
* Working experience in journalism, communications or public affairs
* Strong social media knowledge
* Working experience in national or international organizations, relevant to the humanitarian and/or development field

**Required soft skills/WFP Competencies:**

* Enabler of positive change
* Ability to be proactive and take initiative/responsibility
* Flexibility and with a team-oriented approach
* High work ethics

**Working languages**

Fluency in Finnish (mother tongue) and English (proficiency/level C) is required.

**Supervision** (Level/Methods of Supervision)

Under the direct supervision of the WFP Nordic Office Director, the incumbent will be provided with close guidance and technical supervision. Performance planning and reviews as well as learning and development discussions will be elements of supervision. With the support of a comprehensive induction package, the intern will rapidly become a productive member of the team. As an Intern, you will be joining a team of three Partnerships and Communications Officers, the Business Support Assistant and the WFP Nordic Office Director.

**Training components**

Throughout their assignment, WFP interns have access to an industry-leading learning platform, weLearn. Depending on time and opportunities, interns may attend conferences and other activities in or outside the UN City, as appropriate.

**Learning elements**

At the end of the assignment, the intern should have gained solid hands-on experience in all aspects of communication, advocacy as well as partnership-building and have obtained a profound understanding of the mandate and work of WFP and its contribution to the Sustainable Development Goals/Agenda 2030.

**Information on the Country of Assignment**

* **Living conditions in Copenhagen, Denmark**

The security situation in Denmark remains in line with other European Countries. There are no specific threats against the UN in Denmark. Fighting among criminal gangs has taken place in major cities in Denmark. Normally they target members of criminal gangs, but some “drive by shootings” have resulted in innocent civilians coming in harm’s way. Whilst UN staff continue to be victims of minor crime such as street robbery and apartment break-ins, the infrequency of attacks and random nature of locations do not indicate that UN staff are at an elevated risk in comparison to residents or tourists in Denmark.

* **Other relevant information**

Interviews will be held in English via Teams and are scheduled to take place in the week after the closing date. For questions, please contact:

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Once you are chosen for an internship with WFP, please be prepared to provide your recent university record, ie: proof of enrolment or degree, as well as course transcripts.

**For more information on WFP please visit:**

Website: <https://fi.wfp.org/>
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/fi.wfp>

Twitter: [@WFP\_FI](https://twitter.com/WFP_FI)

Instagram: [@WFP\_Nordic](https://www.instagram.com/wfp_nordic/)

**VA Reference no: Internship – Finland**

**Please submit your cover letter and CV in English through** [**WFP’s online recruitment system**](https://www.wfp.org/careers/job-openings?type=short-term-opportunities)

**Closing Date: Monday 8th May 2023**

**Terms and Conditions:**

* Interns receive a monthly stipend from WFP up to the maximum amount of US$1000 per month depending on the duty station of assignment.
* WFP is not responsible for living expenses, arrangements for accommodation, necessary visas and related costs.
* WFP will reimburse travel ticket for candidates who are nationals of developing countries and are pursuing their studies in their home country.
* WFP will recognize candidates’ educational credentials from recognized institutions that have been certified by competent international or national authorities such as the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) or Ministries of Education.
* Candidates who bear any of the following relations to WFP staff members are not eligible to apply: sons, daughters, brothers or sisters.

*Due to uncertainties caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the conditions stated in this vacancy announcement may change, including the expected start date. We encourage you to follow the situation in Copenhagen/Denmark closely.*

*No appointment under any kind of contract will be offered to members of the UN Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ), International Civil Service Commission (ICSC), FAO Finance Committee, WFP External Auditor, WFP Audit Committee, Joint Inspection Unit (JIU) and other similar bodies within the United Nations system with oversight responsibilities over WFP, both during their service and within three years of ceasing that service.*

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