

## Job advertisement - Internship

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<b>Country, Place</b>	<b>Baguio, Philippines</b>
<b>Profession</b>	<b>Agronomist</b>
<b>Start of commitment</b>	2019 or upon agreement
<b>Duration</b>	1 year ( <b>Internship</b> )
<b>Context</b>	Agriculture is a key economic sector in the Philippines employing around 32% of the population. Intensive cultivation and excessive use of fertilizers has caused land degradation affecting both agricultural productivity and ecosystem services. The countries high vulnerability to the impacts of climate change, poor quality of farm-to-market roads and the absence of transportation facilities challenge small-scale farmers and their families in the project area.
<b>Partner Organisation</b>	The <b>Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary</b> (SIHM) is an indigenous congregation founded in 1952. SIHM is active in organic farming providing seminars and trainings to different farming groups. As a result the SIHM Organic Practitioners Partnership for Development (SIHM-OPPD) was founded aiming to promote healthy and earth-friendly methods of farming. The partnership currently consists of 200 farmers. In 2007 the Mountain Grown Natural Foods (MGNF) Store was established (Baguio city) to create an outlet for farmers to sell their products.
<b>Activities</b>	As an intern of COMUNDO you support our partner organisation to empower local farmers to shift from conventional farming systems to organic way of farming. Together with the team, the co-worker identifies climate-resilient farming practices, conducts on-site monitoring visits and skills training, supports resource mobilization and improves internal processes.
<b>Objectives of the internship</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enhance the skills of farmers in organic agriculture and increase the productivity</li> <li>• Assist in the development of quality management system for the organisation</li> <li>• The intern knows a project in the field of international cooperation and the operation of a local organization</li> </ul>
<b>Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agronomist by profession -less than 2 years of work experience</li> <li>• Professional experience in organic farming is an advantage</li> <li>• Very good English language skills</li> <li>• Valid driver's license</li> <li>• Resident in Switzerland</li> </ul>
<b>Application deadline</b>	<b>31 March 2018</b>

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COMUNDO shares a global commitment for the socially disadvantaged and for a holistic and sustainable development. The organisation sends out volunteering specialists who support projects of partner organisations in 7 countries. In their places of action they are working in partnership with the locals, sharing their lives and engaging in intercultural exchange on a daily basis

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## General Working Conditions for an Internship

- Minimum age: 21 years
- Resident in Switzerland
- Completed vocational training or study, less than 2 years of work experience
- Good knowledge of the national language of the country of assignment
- Independence and teamwork, as well as socio-political commitment
- Flexibility and ability to improvise
- Physical and mental health
- Interest in issues of development cooperation
- Interest and openness to cooperate with people of different cultures and religions
- Willingness to public relations work and participation in fundraising

## We offer

- An exciting working environment with an ample space for initiative, participation and enabling intercultural contacts
- An adequate preparation
- Introduction to the situation of the country of destination and local support
- Travelling costs in both directions
- Cost of living allowance
- Contribution to health insurance

## Application Procedure

Before submitting a written application we recommend that you contact the organisation in your neighbourhood. This will provide you with more detailed information about the application procedure, the working conditions, the working culture and benefits provided by COMUNDO.

The application form may also be found on our website. The questionnaire and a short life story (as described in the guidelines) will supplement the usual application documentation (motivational letter, curriculum vitae, certificates and job references).