Job Description

Media and Communications Intern

European Council on Refugees and Exiles
JOB TITLE

Communications Assistant

REPORTS TO

Senior Communication Coordinator

JOB PURPOSE

The purpose of this position is to provide essential support to ECRE's Communications work in close Coordination with the Senior Communication Coordinator (SCC)

PLACE IN THE ORGANISATION

- Service: Media and Communications Team
- Reports to: Senior Communication Coordinator

RELATIONSHIPS – INTERNAL

- Senior Communication Coordinator
- Legal and advocacy colleagues
- Press Officers and colleagues at ECRE Member Organisations

RELATIONSHIPS – EXTERNAL

- Project partners, donors, relevant organisations and actors at Brussels level
- Refugee advocates, academics, activists, practitioners relevant for interviews, Op-eds and other content for newsletter and social media
KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Topic selection, edit, research and write articles and conduct interviews for the ECRE Weekly Bulletin, ECRE Website and social media
- Monitor and evaluate press coverage (i.e. produce a daily press review for distribution among the ECRE membership and external subscribers)
- Work with the Media & Communication team in developing ECRE’s social media presence – take primary responsibility for the ECRE Twitter account
- Monitor relevant EU legislation and events in the asylum area
- Assist in the organisation of Membership-related events or meetings
- Assist with coordinating and developing the ECRE Media Officers Network (EMON)
- Assist with the development and maintenance of organisational structures such as CRM and filing system
- Assist in running ECRE cross European campaign
PERSON SPECIFICATION

Education and experience

- University degree in a relevant area
- Knowledge of EU asylum issues
- Familiarity with social media tools
- Basic knowledge of HTML and experience with web-design is an advantage
- Experience in organising and executing campaigns on social media an advantage
- Familiarity with the EU legislative process
- Ability to present data and complex legal issues in a comprehensible and media-friendly language
- Candidates with refugee or migrant background encouraged to apply

Languages

- Fluent written and spoken English is essential
- Good knowledge of written and spoken Arabic, French or German an advantage
- Working knowledge of other European languages is an advantage

Abilities

- Good communication and interpersonal skills
- Ability to meet short deadlines and work under pressure
- Ability to multi-task and prioritize between competing tasks
- Ability to work on own initiative and assume responsibility for tasks allocated
- Readiness and ability to travel within Europe
- Interest in and commitment to the aims of the organisation
- Enthusiastic individual with good sense of humour

Terms and Conditions

Paid internship for 6 months (brutto €900) (Belgian contract – “Contrat belge d’immersion professionelle”) with the possibility of renewal for an additional 6 months. The applicant needs to have permission to work in Belgium.

Starting date: August 24, 2020

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY STATEMENT

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