

Position	:	Intern Standards & Certification Team
Responsible to	:	Standards Director
Responsible for	:	Supporting ASC's standards-related work and ASC's ambitions to position the ASC's standards at the heart of aquaculture certification globally
Salary and benefits	:	modest monthly compensation (commuting costs compensated for, if needed)
Location & Contract	:	ASC Office, Utrecht, The Netherlands
Date written	:	March 2015

For the Standards and Certification department at the ASC offices in Utrecht, The Netherlands we are currently looking for an:

Intern Standards & Certification

The intern will be working in a fast-paced, innovative environment and will assist the ASC in developing and further improving its program.

Background

The ASC will eventually hold 8 species specific standards for responsible aquaculture. Implementing those in a credible certification framework is one of the core tasks of the Standards and Certification Team at the ASC.

Setting up and maintaining effective and efficient back-office procedures is equally important and has full focus of the team. For this phase the ASC is looking for a **hands-on, pragmatic** intern, who is capable of supporting the team at a high level.

Key Responsibilities

- Support the overall management of the ASC's Standards Team in implementing ASC's species specific standards
- Support strategy development for the ASC Standards Team
- Support work related to exploring harmonization opportunities for the ASC standards
- Support work related to setting up a Monitoring & Evaluation (M&E) framework.
- Support work related to the development of an ASC Feed Standard.

- (if applicable) Represent and promote the ASC to the aquaculture industry, governments and the NGO community globally if required.

Qualifications

- Educational background: BSc degree level, or higher
- Preferred Study background: aquaculture/biology/marine resource management, management, business development
- Affinity with, and basic knowledge of sustainability and/or sustainable food production systems
- Hands-on mentality, pragmatic, positive working attitude
- Fluent in English (verbal and in writing) is a must
- Valid working permit for the Netherlands
- Minimum availability: 5 months, strong preference for 6 months
- Analytically strong
- Knowledge of aquaculture is appreciated, but not essential
- **IMPORTANT:** *It is critical that the candidate is doing this internship under supervision of an educational entity. This has to do with the fact that only interns are legally allowed to work against an intern compensation. Graduated students, who are no longer linked to an educational organisation cannot apply for this position.*
- A sense of humor 😊

This position is at the ASC office in Utrecht, The Netherlands

Recruitment Process

Interested applicants should send their CV and motivational letter to jobs@asc-aqua.org no later than 26 June 2014.

A limited set of short-listed candidates will be notified about interviews (by telephone or in-person) scheduled for the week commencing 6 July. The intention is to appoint the successful candidate before 31 July 2015. Starting date: a.s.a.p. after 1 September 2015.

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