Job Description

Intern, Secure Fisheries

Position title: Intern, Secure Fisheries
Reports to: Associate Director, Secure Fisheries
Job type: Hourly; non-exempt; full-time
Date: Summer 2016
Salary: Commensurate with education and experience

Secure Fisheries Summary

Secure Fisheries advances sustainable fisheries through science-based analysis in Somalia and the Lake Victoria region and coordinates with regional stakeholders to fight IUU fishing in the Indian Ocean. Our program has a comprehensive approach to improving fisheries governance and combating IUU fishing. Working at the state, regional, and global levels with three complementary focus areas, Secure Fisheries: promotes sustainable management of Somali fisheries, improves food and economic security in the Lake Victoria Basin, and combats IUU fishing in the Indian Ocean. In support of these focus areas, Secure Fisheries provides science-based reporting on fisheries resources. See further information at: www.securefisheries.org.

One Earth Future Summary

Secure Fisheries is a program of One Earth Future Foundation (OEF). OEF is a nonprofit, nongovernmental organization with a vision of developing effective systems of multi-stakeholder governance, on select issues, to reduce armed conflict. As an operating foundation, OEF focuses on both researching and developing ideas, and implementing those ideas in practical projects. See further information at: www.oneearthfuture.org.

Primary Role

Secure Fisheries seeks to provide an open and inclusive atmosphere where interns work as a part of our team: interns attend team meetings as well as OEF staff meetings, work on a range of projects related to Indian Ocean and Somali fisheries, and have the freedom to suggest additional projects they believe are relevant based on their interests and understanding of the issues. Our goal is to give our interns the chance to apply their knowledge to real issues that we face daily.

Primary responsibilities may include:

1. Contributing to our work on Somali fisheries and Indian Ocean fisheries.
2. Conducting original research on the role of international corporations and distant water fishing fleets in the Indian Ocean.
3. Conducting original research on fisheries crime, specifically with respect to transnational crime in the Indian Ocean.
4. Conducting research on the impact of food security on conflict.
5. Contributing original writing to the team’s website, blog, and social media online presence.
6. Coordinating with Secure Fisheries team members.

Required Education and Skills

This role presents an exciting opportunity for a passionate undergraduate, postgraduate, or graduate student to contribute to international fisheries policy and science. Because the topics covered by this internship are fairly broad, we encourage applications from individuals with a wide range of skills. The ideal candidate might have a background in fisheries, international law and business, public policy, or international studies. Specific skills and requirements include:

- Demonstrated research and writing skills.
- Data management skills.
- International experience and interest. Candidates with experience or ties to Somalia or East Africa are particularly encouraged to apply.
- Interest or experience studying international maritime issues.
- Proficient with IT applications, including Microsoft Office (especially Word, Excel, and PowerPoint) and uploading and editing content on websites and social networking platforms.
- Excellent organizational skills and ability to manage multiple assignments and competing priorities in a demanding environment.
- Willingness to work on different types of tasks and projects.
- A proactive approach to work.

To apply: Please send a resume/CV and cover letter to jobs@oneearthfuture.org, and include the title in the subject line of your email.