“Research Assistant Intern”

About Us

Beyond the Horizon International Strategic Studies Group (BtH) is a non-partisan, independent, and non-profit think & do tank. The mission of BtH is to promote global peace and security by empowering decision and policy-makers with knowledge and advocating paths to prevent, mitigate or end crises and conflicts.

BtH is unique in its focus on realistic policies and in-depth analyses to offer comprehensive solutions on topics related to international politics and security, peace and conflict studies.

In line with its aims and policies, BtH has been involved in projects funded by the UN, the EU, NATO and (inter)national authorities, translating practice to research and policy making and contributing to the solution of contemporary challenges since its inception. The number of projects that BtH is involved in capacity of both partner and coordinator currently stands at seven.

Against this background, BtH is recruiting a research intern for a duration of 3 to 6 months in the field of geopolitics and international security. This role is an excellent opportunity to develop your research skills as well as develop competencies related to project proposal writing, project management and organization of events. The internship can be remote. You can check the BtH research from this link.

Main tasks

The intern:

- Collects and analyses information from a wide variety of sources; monitor relevant material from conferences and seminars, government and intergovernmental documents, academic journals, institutional databases, relevant civil society organisations and NGOs.
- Independently develops detailed outlines and first drafts of papers or sections of papers and works closely with BtH staff throughout the publication process.
- Monitors, conducts research and presents findings in various formats on one of the subjects below;
  - Geopolitics,
  - Great Power Politics,
  - European Defence and Security including European Strategic Autonomy,
  - Transatlantic Relations,
  - Energy Security,
  - Migration and Security Nexus,
  - Gender and Security,
Your background and qualifications

- You are pursuing/holder of a master’s degree in political science, social science, communication studies, international relations, educational sciences, or security studies.

- You have an excellent command of English and Dutch or French, both orally and in writing.

- You have excellent drafting and editing skills.

- You are interested in International Relations, European Affairs, Security Studies, policymaking and intelligence.

Your profile

- You are able to work in an international research team involving both junior and senior colleagues and can work independently.

- You are able to respect deadlines, manage multiple tasks and changing priorities.

- You enjoy teamwork and are open to giving and receiving feedback.

- You are willing to learn and have a creative spirit.

What BtH ISSG offer

We offer a full-time unpaid internship for 3 to 6 months.

Career development prospects

This position will give you the opportunity to gain valuable skills, training and experience in an international think tank. You will gain skills related to research, event and project management.

More information

Further information about the position can be obtained from Onur Sultan, Director of Research: onur.sultan@behorizon.org

Application and deadline

Applications should include a one-page letter of motivation and a curriculum vitae listing your past experiences. Please mail to info@behorizon.org with “Research Assistant Internship Application” in the subject line.