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## Internship Opportunity - Junior Political Researcher

Position Title : Junior Political Researcher – 2<sup>nd</sup> Standing Committee on

**Economic, Social and Environmental Cooperation** 

Duty Station : Naples, Italy

Duration : 3 – 12 months

Starting Dates: January, March and September of each year

The internship is full-time. Interns work five days per week under the supervision of a staff member. Upon availability of funds, and in specific cases, PAM may offer a minimal scholarship.

#### Context:

The Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean (PAM) is an international organization of 34 member and associate countries of the Euro-Mediterranean and Gulf regions. The main objective of PAM is to forge political, economic and social cooperation among the member states in order to find common solutions to the challenges facing the region, and to foster peace and prosperity for the Mediterranean peoples. PAM is the center of excellence for regional parliamentary diplomacy, and a unique forum of discussion among its member states, which are represented on equal footing.

The staff of the Secretariat assists the PAM President, the PAM Bureau, all members and the Secretary General in the execution of their mandate and is responsible for the follow-up on the decisions taken by the Assembly providing coordination, assistance and support to the work of the three Standing Committees (SC) and all other bodies established under PAM. PAM has recently established a new regional office in Naples, Italy and here wishes to welcome a number of selected interns.

PAM is looking to identify an *Intern – Junior Political Researcher*, for a period from 3 to 12 months to support the work of the PAM 2<sup>nd</sup> Standing Committee on Economic, Social and Environmental Cooperation at the PAM regional office in Naples.

#### **Main Duties:**

Under the supervision of the Program officer of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Standing Committee, the intern will:

- Conduct research and reference searches on economic integration and challenges, investments, support to SMEs and Start-Ups, trade facilitation, job creation, climate change and environment in the Euro-Mediterranean, Sahel and Gulf regions.
- Support the Program Officer in the preparation of speeches, reports, press releases and various research projects, related to the above-mentioned topics.
- Support the Program Officer in preparing briefing notes and presentations for PAM Members of Delegations, and in particular for the President of the 2<sup>nd</sup> SC, the Co-Chairs of the Panel on Trade and Investments in the Mediterranean and the Chair of the Working Group on Environment.
- Provide organizational, administrative and logistical support to the implementation of activities of the 2<sup>nd</sup> SC.
- Undertake other assignments as required.

### **Necessary Qualifications:**

- Recent graduate with a minimum of a Bachelor's degree, relevant Masters strongly preferred (Political Science, International Relations, Economics, Environmental Studies, Climate Studies, International Law, etc.).
- Fluency in English required, fluency in French and/or Arabic strongly preferred, knowledge of other regional languages welcomed
- Ability to manage a multitude of different tasks of varying priority, ensuring they all get completed with minimal supervision

#### **Preferred competencies:**

- Shows ability to monitor and analyze topics related to major sustainable development challenges, notably energy, water and the environment.
- Shows ability to monitor and analyze topics related to trade facilitation, Small and Medium Enterprises and impact on the society, investment and finance.
- Interest in producing reports, briefings and notes on the nexus between multilateral agreements and Sustainable Development Goals.
- Ability to think critically in stressful situations, solve problems quickly, and anticipate potential problems before they occur.
- Impeccable attention to detail, shown through asking questions to clarify, and exhibiting interest in having two-way communication.
- Tailors language, tone, style and format to match the audience.

Eligible candidates are encouraged to send their CV and cover letter in English or French to secretariat@pam.int, mentioning the job title in the subject line.