

The Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition

Job title:	6-months Internship, Innovative Finance – Nourishing Food Pathways
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Classification:	Intern	Direct reports:	0
Work location	Utrecht, Netherlands, or India	Travel required:	0%

The Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN)

The Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN) is a Swiss-based foundation launched at the UN in 2002 to tackle the human suffering caused by malnutrition. Working with both governments and businesses, we aim to transform food systems so that they deliver more nutritious food for all people. In particular, we aim to make healthier food choices more desirable, more available, and more affordable. GAIN's mission is to advance nutrition outcomes by improving consumption of nutritious and safe food for all people, especially the most vulnerable to malnutrition.

Innovative Financing for Nutrition

The Global Nutrition Report 2021 estimates an additional USD 39 to 50 billion is needed every year to close the finance gap and reach the nutrition targets of Sustainable Development Goal 2 'Zero Hunger'. Innovative methods of resource mobilization are needed to increase overall funds dedicated to nutrition and to consciously target them towards the high priority needs of the most vulnerable. Under the Nourishing Food Pathways (NFP), GAIN is exploring opportunities in innovative financing solutions to scale nutrition impact.

DESCRIPTION
<p>Overall purpose</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Intern, Innovative Finance, will support on research, identification and (preliminary) design of innovative financing solutions for nutrition under GAIN's <i>Nourishing Food Pathways</i> programme. The intern will work as part of the Innovative Finance team to explore innovative finance solutions to stimulate more financing towards nutrition. The intern will work under the general supervision of the Innovative Finance Lead, working closely with other members of the team and supporting the day-to-day activities of the programme.

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Tasks and responsibilities

- Work closely with the Innovative Finance team in understanding private sector interest in nutrition investing and analyzing what solutions can stimulate investors to direct more financing towards nutrition.
- Support in the identification and design of innovative finance solutions for nutrition, such as Green, Social and Sustainability Bonds, Outcomes-based finance and Carbon Finance.
- Assist the Innovative Finance team in creating a value proposition on innovative finance for GAIN, to be finalized in an externally facing pitch deck.
- Support in the preparation of documents and presentations for external and internal stakeholders.
- Support in organizing national and international events, technical meetings, and workshops
- Maintain up-to-date market knowledge/intelligence and in-depth mappings on the innovative finance and impact investing landscape and share the same within the GAIN team and more broadly, including identifying key partners to influence and support in communication pieces (blogs, reports, articles).

Key organizational relationships

- The Intern will report directly to the Innovative Finance Lead, working closely with other members of the project team, other project colleagues and implementing partners as required for the agreed upon activities.

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INTERNSHIP REQUIREMENTS
<p>Competencies / Skills / Attributes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding of and passion for impact investing and innovative finance. • Interest in nutrition, food systems or agriculture. • Ability to use initiative, prioritize, multi-task, and work well under pressure to meet deadlines. • Clear and systematic thinking that demonstrates good judgment, problem solving, and creativity. • Strong communication skills in multi-cultural, multi-lingual environments (written and verbal). • IT literate with excellent MS Office skills. Advanced excel and power point skills • A strong commitment to GAIN's mission
<p>Experience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exposure to impact investing, sustainable finance or food systems investing studies. • Strong written/verbal communications, research, writing, and analytical ability. • Candidates with exposure to a multi-cultural context would have an advantage.
<p>Education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor's Degree, currently pursuing a Master's Degree in a relevant field such as sustainable finance, international business, sustainable investing, economics, or other relevant field.
<p>Other requirements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional proficiency in English is required.
WHAT GAIN OFFERS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flexible working hours • Friendly working environment • Professional development opportunities