

Inspire Policy Making with Territorial Evidence

Traineeship - Evidence and Outreach at the ESPON EGTC

Deadline for Applications: 25 February 2022

In ESPON EGTC we are looking for a motivated trainee to join our international team for a period of 3 to 5 months, preferably available to start as soon as possible.

Please read before applying: [What is ESPON EGTC?](#)

What your job will be

Your work in the Unit on Evidence and Outreach will include various tasks, among others involvement in communication and outreach activities of ESPON EGTC. The main focus of this traineeship would be linked to the preparation of an online Atlas that will visualize and summarise some of the key evidence from the ESPON 2020 Cooperation Programme.

You will also have the opportunity to attend European events with ESPON involvement taking place online and potentially outside of Luxembourg (if physical meetings are to take place during the time of your traineeship).

Allowance

An allowance of 1.100 Euro per month is provided as an indemnity to support your living expenses during the traineeship at the ESPON EGTC, which also will be helping you with practical matters related to settling down in Luxembourg.

Travel costs can be reimbursed¹ by ESPON EGTC on the basis of real expenses made for your travel from your usual place of residence to Luxembourg and the way back at the end of the training period.

Administrative conditions

A traineeship agreement will have to be signed by 1) the University or school where the student is registered, 2) the student and 3) the ESPON EGTC.

The University/School shall confirm that the student is registered in a course and indicate the insurance coverage regime.

¹ Specific travel reimbursement rules will be provided to the selected candidates.

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Your profile

You will have to be a student in the final stage of your university studies related to computer science, data science, GIS, territorial development and planning, geography, statistics, regional economics, European studies, political science, and/or other relevant fields.

You must be a full-time student registered at a university during the entire period of the traineeship and carry a passport from a Member State of the European Union or from Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Switzerland or the UK (full partners in the ESPON 2020 Programme).

What we are looking for

- Experienced user of ArcGIS Pro and ArcMap software and extensions
- Good data management skills,
- Experienced in using SQL and APIs,
- Experienced in web GIS and the creation of web maps and web applications (ArcGIS Portal, ArcGIS Online or other),
- Excellent communication and teamwork skills; the ability and flexibility to function as part of multi-disciplinary teams,
- Fluency in spoken and written English,

Ideally, here's what you'll also have:

- Experience in Web-based GIS technologies Programming languages and software development (Javascript, Python, .NET),
- Experience in Adobe Suit software (Illustrator and Indesign),
- Further interest/knowledge on European territorial cooperation in the field of EU Cohesion Policy, regional policy and/or spatial development and planning, geography, and other relevant fields.

How to apply

Your application shall include the following:

- A motivation letter – no longer than 1 page. Your motivation letter may include your response to the following questions: Why would you like to be a trainee at the ESPON EGTC? Which personal assets do you feel you can bring to the ESPON EGTC? Your expectations for the traineeship: what you hope to learn from it?
- Curriculum Vitae in Europass template.
- A profile table duly filled-in (available on the ESPON Website).
- A portfolio of five (preferably web-based) maps/graphs that you have drafted during your studies, internships or other work assignments.

All documents should be sent in English.

The above-mentioned documents are to be sent by e-mail to traineeship@espon.eu.

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Please specify in the subject of the e-mail the following information: “Your First Name and Last Name – Traineeship Unit on Evidence and Outreach”.

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You will be informed by email or phone call about the outcome of the selection. Please bear in mind that copies of your relevant university certificates and diplomas as well as a proof of being registered at a University will be necessary for the contracting, in case you are selected.

The ESPON EGTC applies the principle of equal opportunities between men and women.

Personal Data Protection

Any personal data provided by you in relation to this selection procedure will be processed according to the provisions on personal data protection, in particular Regulation (EU) 2016/679. This applies in particular to the confidentiality and security of your personal data, which will be processed solely for the purposes of this selection procedure.

Your application will be deleted one month after the finalization of this selection procedure.

For the purposes of this selection procedure, an external party to the ESPON EGTC may be involved and handle your personal data. If so, the external party will also treat your data confidentially and solely for the purposes of this selection procedure.

Should you have any further questions concerning the processing of your personal data, you shall address them to the following e-mail address: traineeship@espon.eu.

What is the ESPON EGTC?

The ESPON EGTC is a European Grouping on Territorial Cooperation. As part of a renewal of ESPON it has been established according to European law to deliver the content envisaged by the ESPON 2020 Cooperation Programme. The ESPON EGTC is established with an Assembly including members of the 3 Belgian regions and Luxembourg, the latter hosting the ESPON EGTC.

The ESPON EGTC is currently employing 22 people within two units:

- Unit Evidence and Outreach devoted to the evidence production and outreach activities to be implemented as part of the Single Operation;
- Unit for Administration and Management responsible for the Administration and Management of the ESPON EGTC.

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What is the ESPON 2020 Cooperation programme?

The ESPON 2020 Cooperation Programme is related to EU Cohesion Policy and shall play the specific role supporting policy development, institutional capacity, effective policymaking and efficient public administration with European territorial evidence and in doing so pursue the following overarching mission:

ESPON 2020 shall continue the consolidation of a European Territorial Observatory Network and grow the provision and policy use of pan-European, comparable, systematic and reliable territorial evidence.

The ESPON 2020 Cooperation Programme has a budget of almost EUR 50 million for the period 2014-2020 which is financed mainly by the European Commission, as well as by the 27 EU Members States, the United Kingdom and the four Partner States Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, and Switzerland. Luxembourg is the seat of the Managing Authority

[Read more about ESPON](#)

Further information

You can get further information about the job and the ESPON EGTC by contacting traineeship@espon.eu.

ESPON 2020 – More information

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The ESPON EGTC is the Single Beneficiary of the ESPON 2020 Cooperation Programme. The Single Operation within the programme is implemented by the ESPON EGTC and co-financed by the European Regional Development Fund, the EU Member States and the Partner States, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland.