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The Bio-based Industries Consortium (BIC) is a non-profit organisation aiming to make Europe's innovative, sustainable and competitive bio-based industry the leader of a circular bio-society in Europe by 2050. Its membership includes 240+ industry members and 200+ non-industry members (mainly universities and RTOs) covering the whole value chain, from primary production to the market, across multiple and diverse sectors including agriculture & agri-food, aquaculture & marine, chemicals and materials, including bioplastics, forestry and pulp & paper, market sectors, technology providers and waste management & treatment. BIC also represents the private sector in a 2 billion euro Public-Private Partnership (PPP) with the European Commission, focused on strengthening the bio-based industries sector in Europe – the Circular Bio-based Europe Joint Undertaking (CBE JU).

If you are a high school or university student looking for a nice place within the EU environment to do an internship for a minimum period of three months, don't hesitate to contact us.

BIC is offering some motivating internship placements for the academic year 2023-2024. You will be guided and supported by our staff and be in contact with them and other stakeholders during your assignment. Although you will be part of the team, you will also receive a specific project. We can offer following projects:

Project 1

Your assistance will be needed to make BIC Country Reports on Czech Republic and Slovenia for publication in Q4 of 2023.

BIC uses publicly available data to make reports from the perspective of the bio-based industry.

The sections of the report are:

- 1. The current basis of economic activities.
- 2. Current opportunities for bio-based activities.
- 3. Potential use to valorise available bio-based streams.
- 4. Appendix with additional tables and figures.

For examples of our recent Country Reports, take a look at the ones on Poland and the Baltic States on the BIC website.

Your work will consist of supporting to compile the reports, including to collect, analyse and edit data on the subject country from Eurostat, JRC, and other relevant sources like (European and national) reports/articles, and official national annual statistics.

The trainee will also support the BIC team in day to day activities, such as support of public affairs work, analyzing EU documents, preparing outreach material, etc.

Project 2

You will assist in strengthening BIC's communications activities.

BIC is this year launching a new website, improving its members-only site (the BIC Members Area) and working to optimise its social media accounts through better analytics.

Tasks in the communications placement may include:

- 1. Transferring of information/data/archive stories from old BIC website to new BIC website: both are Drupal and you will be given guidance on how to use it.
- 2. Analysis of BIC LinkedIn followers: cross-referencing BIC's followers with BIC members to identify companies that are following us, but not yet members.
- 3. Identification of journalists who are writing articles related to the bio-based industries to produce an up-to-date press contacts link.
- 4. Helping to find stories and write content for the bi-weekly BIC newsletter.
- 5. Producing video content for BIC's social media channels.
- 6. Going through delegate names and roles on the BIC Members Area to synchronise their company/institute names and make sure that roles are well represented.

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Candidates should send their application to <u>info@biconsortium.eu</u> by 30 September 2023 at the latest.