

9. Internship title
Ukraine-Regional Strategic Planner - Zaporizhzhia

Project description

The Regional Governance and Development (RGD) Project is a five-year (2005-2010) cooperation project of the Canadian Urban Institute (www.canurb.com), supported by funding from Canadian International Development Agency (www.acdi-cida.gc.ca) and implemented in partnership with the Foundation for International Training (www.ffit.org). The Project is designed to promote civic engagement in regional governance, providing opportunities for citizens and communities to shape their common future and to put their region on the path towards sustainable development. The Project works at several levels. It helps strengthen regional development policy in the country by providing advice to the Ministry of Economy of Ukraine and sharing know-how from other jurisdictions in Europe and North America. It supports two pilot oblasts - Zaporizhzhia and Zakarpattya -- to launch participatory processes that give a voice to civil society in regional planning and decision-making. And it promotes open, accountable and effective government institutions at the regional level, responsive to the needs of citizens and working strategically towards its developmental goals. The experiences in the two pilot oblasts are intended to foster model approaches to good governance in Ukraine that can inform the country's policy and practice into the future.

Host Country (State/Province, City)	Primary and Secondary Sectors	Overseas Host Organization
Ukraine, Zaporizhzhia, Zaporizhzhia City	Promoting good governance – public sector institution and capacity building	CUI – Ukraine Field Office-Zaporizhzhia

Overseas Job description (Activities)

In Canada:
 The intern will spend the Canadian portion of the internship preparing for the overseas component, by arranging for the logistics for the overseas stay; by conducting background research on the host country, host organization, associated CUI project, and relevant topics; and by familiarizing his/herself with the cultural and business practices of the host country.

Following the overseas portion, the intern will return to Canada to debrief, write his/her final report, conduct outreach activities to share his/her experience with the Canadian public, and begin his/her job search.

Overseas:
 This internship will involve working with CUI's partners and regional stakeholders in Zaporizhzhia, Ukraine, to strengthen their capacity in strategic planning and regional development. The Regional Strategic Planner will work under the direct supervision of the Oblast Project Manager - Zaporizhzhia to contribute to ongoing program activities in Zaporizhzhia related to the RGD Project. The intern will be assigned responsibility for the following activities: a) provide capacity building activities and technical support for stakeholders in Zaporizhzhia to increase their capacity to implement priority initiatives identified in the regional development strategy; and b) bring Canadian experiences in regional planning, regional development, and priority themes to the implementation process of the region's strategic plan. Emphasis will be placed on incorporating gender equality and environmental considerations into the implementation of strategic plans and regional development in Zaporizhzhia.

Qualifications			
1) Post-secondary education in a relevant discipline (Master's Degree is an asset)			
2) Fluency in Ukrainian and/or Russian language			
Expected Development Outputs	Indicators	Expected Employment Outputs	Indicators
Improved capacity of regional stakeholders to implement strategic plans through established multi-stakeholder mechanisms	Strategic planning and priority initiative implementation is taking place with broad stakeholder participation	New skills in the provision of capacity building and planning support related to regional development gained by the intern	Internship performance feedback indicates improved skills in the provision of capacity building and planning support related to regional development
Strategic plan implementation process is informed by Canadian experiences and practices in priority areas	Recommendations based on Canadian experience are considered in priority initiative and plan implementation		
In Canada Start Date:	Overseas Departure Date:	Overseas Return Date:	In Canada End Date:
June 16, 2008	July 5, 2008	January 3, 2009	February 13, 2009