



The Future Earth initiative

Future Earth is a major international research platform providing the knowledge and support to accelerate transformations to a sustainable world.

Future Earth is a 10-year initiative to advance Global Sustainability Science, build capacity in this rapidly expanding area of research and provide an international research agenda to guide natural and social scientists working around the world.

Future Earth is managed by a secretariat, which consists of five [Global Hubs](#) based in Colorado, Montreal, Paris, Stockholm and Tokyo. The secretariat is complemented by [regional branches](#) for in Asia, Europe, the Middle East and North Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean, and Africa.

The Paris Hub operates under the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS). The hub offices are located in the Jussieu campus of the Université Pierre et Marie Curie (UPMC) in central Paris. The current team has 4 full-time staff members and one part-time staff member and additional part-time administrative support.

Position

Future Earth Paris Hub is offering internships for 2018 and beyond. The internship period should be between three to six months.

Description

The role will involve assisting with the development work of [Future Earth Knowledge-Action Networks](#) (KANs), in particular the Food-Water-Energy Nexus KAN, Natural Assets KAN, Risk KAN and Oceans KAN. Work areas might include coordination with researchers and stakeholders, literature research on related topics, preparing documentation and organising events and workshops.

The intern will also be involved in developing and updating communication tools. The intern will assist in maintaining and developing the [Future Earth Open Network](#), an online platform linking researchers around global sustainability science. The intern will also assist in updating the website. Other possible responsibilities include organizing events and workshops for the Paris Hub as well as the global Secretariat.

An internship at Future Earth is a great opportunity to gain knowledge and experience on how international research programmes are organised and ran, including at the interface between science and society (how research interacts with societal actors with regard to communication, definition of research priorities, etc.). In addition, each intern joins a specific Knowledge-Action Network and focuses on a specific topic. It is an opportunity to enhance his or her expertise in a key sustainability science area, such as the food-water-energy Nexus, risks, oceans or natural assets.

Salary

540 € per month (legally bound).

Candidate qualifications

- Tertiary education student (Master level) who qualifies for a 'Convention de Stage' in France.

A **convention de stage** is a document required by the French government for any student interested in doing an internship in France. It is similar to a job contract, in that it specifies the missions and the expectations demanded of interns. It must be signed by an educational institution with which the student is affiliated.

- The successful candidate has knowledge of sustainability and environmental challenges and is interested in transdisciplinary and interdisciplinary research
- Excellent level of English, basic level of French
- Motivation and ability to work in an international team
- Motivated, organised, able to work independently to deadlines as well as able to work to instruction, with attention to detail and good interpersonal and communication skills.
- Computer literacy is essential

To apply for an internship, please send your Curriculum Vitae (CV) and a one-page cover letter to: kaela.slavik@futureearth.org

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