

**Secretariat of the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA)
Knowledge, Policy and Finance Centre (KPFC)**

Title and Grade:	Intern – Energy Transition Policy and Programme Support
Duration of Appointment:	6 months
Duty Station:	Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates
Expected Date for Entry on Duty:	As soon as possible

Background

The International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) is an inter-governmental organisation mandated with the widespread and increased adoption and sustainable use of all forms of renewable energy. IRENA supports countries in their transition to a sustainable energy future, and serves as the principal platform for international cooperation, a centre of excellence, and a repository of policy, technology, resource and financial knowledge on renewable energy. At present, IRENA has 170 Members (169 States and the European Union) that acceded to its Statute, and 14 additional States in the process of accession and actively engaged.

IRENA supports countries' capacity to design long-term enabling policy frameworks through providing analyses of policies and measures, including trends in their adoption, and best practices and lessons learnt in their design and adaptation to changing market conditions. In addition, IRENA supports countries in maximising the socio-economic benefits of their energy transitions through measuring expected benefits such as jobs, and assessing requirements for the development of renewable energy value chains, among others.

IRENA's Knowledge, Policy and Finance Centre (KPFC) is carrying out various projects and analytical work towards these objectives, including analyses of policies and measures for the deployment of renewable energy in the power sector and end uses, as well as renewable energy investments and targets, skills required for the transition and gender aspects.

Objective and Particular functions

The intern will support the activities of IRENA's KPFC Division. Specifically, the intern is expected to:

- Assist the division in data collection and desk research with a focus on policies and initiatives that support the deployment of renewables and energy transitions worldwide.
- Support the development, finalization and promotion of knowledge products related to policies for the energy transition, policies for environmental impacts of renewables, the socio-economic impacts of energy transitions, skills, gender aspects, financing as well as the role of renewables in furthering the realisation of the UN 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development.
- Assist with the coordination of events, workshops and webinars including at IRENA's governing body meetings.
- Assist in developing communication content to disseminate findings of IRENA's research including through drafting articles, blogs and social media posts.

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Learning Areas

During the internship period, the successful applicant will develop an understanding of the policies needed to support the deployment of renewable energy and ensure just and inclusive transitions. The applicant will also improve research, analytical, organisational, monitoring, and communications skills.

Timeframe

The internship is for a period of six months. The exact start date/period will be determined based on the availability of the intern and the needs of the Division.

Minimum Requirements

The candidate must meet the following requirements:

- The candidate should be enrolled in a post-graduate programme, or in their final year of undergraduate programme in renewable energy, economics, environmental engineering, public policies or other related fields. Recent graduates may also be included in the programme provided the start date of the internship is less than six months since their graduation.
- Have good knowledge and understanding of renewable energy policies and experience in assisting in research, data collection and analysis.
- Be fluent in both written and spoken English. Knowledge of other official United Nations languages is an asset.
- Demonstrate good writing and communication skills.
- Demonstrate solid teamwork, planning and organising, professionalism.
- Be able to work in a multi-cultural and multi-disciplinary environment.

Internship Conditions

IRENA interns are not considered to be staff members. The selected intern will work on a full-time basis (35 hours per week) as per the working hours of IRENA premises in Abu Dhabi, UAE.

Application Procedure

IRENA wishes to encourage applications from female candidates.

Please note that only candidates under serious consideration will be contacted for an interview and will receive notice of the outcome of the selection process.