



Intern Researcher Forest Team (0.5-0.6 FTE)

About Aidenvironment

Aidenvironment is a not-for-profit foundation with 30 years of experience in sustainable value chain development, sustainability assessment, climate change and ecosystem programmes. Aidenvironment generates sustainability impacts in agricultural and forest landscapes across Asia, Africa, and Latin America. We have offices in Amsterdam (Netherlands), Jakarta (Indonesia) and Kampala (Uganda), and employ around 45 professionals (www.aidenvironment.org).

Aidenvironment's *Forest Team* focuses on deforestation and land use changes caused by large-scale agricultural expansion linked to soft commodities. A video of the work we do can be found [here](#). Our two main projects are [Chain Reaction Research](#) (CRR) and [Realtime Deforestation Monitoring](#) (RDM). Our work is embedded in relevant trends and recent EU regulation developments on deforestation and due diligence linked to soft commodities' supply chains.

Internship: your role

We are looking for an intern researcher, who can provide overall support to Aidenvironment's Forest team, including research, data analysis, and report writing. The intern will mainly work on our RDM project, that focuses on soy and beef supply chains in Latin America, and a specific focus on Brazil. In this work, Aidenvironment examines soft-commodities' supply chain linkages from production sites to global operators and markets. For this work, we collaborate with local Brazilian partners that conduct on-the-ground investigations.

Work topics and tasks for the intern may include the following:

- Support near real-time monitoring and reporting of deforestation and fire events in global commodity supply chains, under the guidance and leadership of Aidenvironment sustainability analysts and researchers.
- Research deforestation-linked themes, including the impact of specific policies on forest-risk commodities and supply chains, traceability issues, company research, or the social impact of commodity production.
- Prepare visuals and communication pieces to present our findings to potential funders of the Forest team.

The specific research projects and objectives will be identified in the course of the internship.

What are we looking for?

We are looking for a Master student with a background in development/environmental studies, and preferably knowledge of/a background in Latin America. Moreover, we search someone who is enthusiastic to work on the topics of deforestation and sustainable value chains. The learning opportunity can serve as your final internship of your Master or link to your thesis (if the topic matches sufficiently with the Forest Team's ambitions).

Key requirements

- Be at a final stage of your Masters with a strong research and data analysis component
- Strong analytical skills

- Excellent working knowledge of English
- Pros: Background in Latin America, Portuguese language, familiar with working with datasets
- Affinity with one or more of the following topics: sustainability issues, commodity-driven deforestation (e.g. beef and soy sectors in Brazil), conducting company research.

What we offer

You will be a member of a highly motivated team in an international organization working for a sustainable future. Aidenvironment will provide a stimulating environment, with sufficient opportunities for learning and networking.

The learning opportunity is for three to four months, for 20 to 24-hours per week. Preferably the candidate will start as soon as possible. You will receive an internship compensation of 350 Euro per month. The position is open to applicants of all nationalities, but we will only consider candidates with a work and residency permit for the Netherlands.

Your application

Please send a motivation letter (not more than one page) and CV (two pages) to Sarah Drost (info@aidenvironment.org) by April 4, 2022. If you have any questions or want additional information, you can contact Sarah by phone (+31 6 16 55 22 01) from Monday to Friday (except Wednesdays).