Subject: World Health Organisation - Zoonosis and epidemiology intern program

Dear colleagues,

Many of you know that WHO accepts students who are currently enrolled in undergraduate and graduate degree programs as interns. These students work on a project or activity and gain the experience of being at WHO. More information on this program can be found on the WHO website at http://www.who.int/employment/internship/en/.

In addition to the WHO-wide recruiting system, some departments recruit interns directly. The Department of Food Safety and Zoonoses has established a program, in collaboration with the Department of Global Preparedness, Surveillance and Response, to allow veterinary students interested in epidemiology or public health to gain experience in event based surveillance for zoonotic diseases, disease tracking at the human animal interface, and joint risk assessment. The ToRs for this internship include:

- Participate in the tracking, collation, and presentation of information on zoonotic influenza and other zoonotic diseases.
- Contribute to event-based surveillance activities for zoonotic influenza and other zoonotic diseases impacting global public health
- Summarize literature and/or analyse data related to epidemiology, virology and risk assessment at the human-animal interface.

We are offering four three-month internships per year; Jan-Mar, Apr-Jun, Jul-Sept, and Oct-Dec. There may be some flexibility in dates. We are requesting that advertisement and selection of interns be done at the institutional level, based on the following criteria:

1. Motivation and academic merit
2. Fluency in English (French and/or one or more other languages is a plus)
3. Willingness to work collaboratively in a team
4. Writing and presentation skills

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Interns selected by you will be accepted into time slots on a first-come first-served basis. Please contact us with any questions.

Looking forward to working with you

Kind regards,

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