

European Securities and Markets Authority

# TRAINEESHIP NOTICE – TRANSVERSAL PROFILE (F/M)

# REF.: ESMA/2015/VAC3/TRP

Type of contract	Paid traineeship
Duration of traineeship	From 6 to 12 months
Traineeship (in one of the following Departments/Units/teams)	<ul> <li>Risk &amp; Control team</li> <li>Communications team</li> <li>Accounting team</li> <li>Resources Department (teams: HR, Finance &amp; Procurement, Facility Management, Planning &amp; Reporting, and ICT Unit).</li> </ul>
	For more information, see ESMA organigramme <sup>1</sup>
Place of traineeship	Paris, France
Monthly grant	<ul> <li>As per Article 5.3 (2) of the ESMA traineeship policy<sup>2</sup>:</li> <li>1.024 € (undergraduate traineeship)<sup>3</sup></li> <li>1.536 € (graduate traineeship)<sup>4</sup></li> </ul>
Deadline for applications	Open call (without a specific deadline)
Reserve list	Valid one year from the date of establishment

## 1. The Authority

ESMA is an independent EU Authority that was established on 1 January 2011. ESMA's mission is to enhance investors' protection and promote stable and orderly financial markets. This mission is derived from ESMA's founding Regulation<sup>5</sup> and encompasses three objectives:

- **Investors' protection**: to have the needs of financial consumers better served and to reinforce their rights as investors while acknowledging their responsibilities;
- **Orderly markets**: to promote the integrity, transparency, efficiency, and well-functioning of financial markets and robust market infrastructures, and
- **Financial stability**: to strengthen the financial system in order to be capable of withstanding shocks and the unravelling of financial imbalances while fostering economic growth.

ESMA achieves its mission within the European System of Financial Supervision (ESFS) through active co-operation with National Competent Authorities (in particular with securities market regulators) as well as with the European Banking Authority (EBA) and the European In-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>https://www.esma.europa.eu/about-esma/esma-in-short/esma-organigramme</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://www.esma.europa.eu/sites/default/files/library/2015/10/2015-1228.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Indicative calculation for 2015.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See footnote 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Regulation (EU) No 1095/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 November 2010 establishing a European Supervisory Authority (European Securities Markets Authority), amending Decision No 716/2009/EC and repealing Commission Decision 2009/77/EC.



surance and Occupational Pensions Authority (EIOPA). ESMA has a unique position within the ESFS as it focuses on the securities and financial markets dimension and the overarching European aspects of these objectives. For further information, please refer to ESMA's website: <a href="http://www.esma.europa.eu">http://www.esma.europa.eu</a>

#### 2. Description

ESMA is organising a general call for expression of interests for a traineeship position, without any specific deadline for applications. The aim of the traineeship programme is to provide graduates/undergraduate students with a unique and first-hand experience of the workings of ESMA, Traineeships offer 6-12 months applied training in EU environment, assisting and contributing to different projects in the area of interest of a trainee. On the other hand, trainees enhance the everyday work of ESMA; they assist to ad-hoc projects by providing a fresh point of view and up-to-date academic knowledge.

For this open call, the received applications will be evaluated, on a regular basis, by a designated Committee. As a result, a database/reserve list of candidates for a potential selection will be established. The successful candidate will be assigned to a specific domain/area/Department/project, depending on his/her background, education and set of skills.

Traineeship positions, where candidates with a "transversal profile" could be placed, are available in different Departments/Units/teams across ESMA, for example within:

- Risk & Control team
- Communications team
- Accounting team
- Resources Department (within teams: Human Resources, Finance & Procurement, Facility Management, Planning & Reporting Information and Information & Communications Technologies Unit).

Depending on the specific domain, the selected candidate, under direct supervision of the traineeship tutor, may be responsible for some specific activities/projects:

In the domain of Human Resources:

- contribution to/assisting in different HR projects, e.g.:
- defining a competency framework;
- creating external training programme;
- supporting in coordination and organisation of training events, workshops and other external activities;
- contributing to re-organisation process of information published on external website in the area of recruitment;
- contributing to integration and information process for newcomers (re-organising the content of welcome pack and uploading it to the extranet website);
- contributing to the improvement of recruitment procedures at ESMA, or
- interaction with internal and external stakeholders on procurement/HR questions.

In the domain of Risk & Control:



- assistance in the organisation of Internal Audits and the follow up of resulting nonconformances, customer/stakeholder feedback and suggestions for improvement.
- contribution to the development of procedures and work instructions across all Divisions/Units.
- compilation of reports, documents and presentations under supervision, and
- manage under supervision the Risk & Control documentation and presentation of information on the intranet.

In the domain of Communication:

- contribution to/assisting in different Communication's projects, e.g.:
- re-organising the layout of external website (in-house desk-top publishing, graphic design, re-drafting articles for internal and external communication materials);
- supporting the Authority's presence in key social media channels;
- supporting in the creation of targeted sector press/media lists and support in the development of relevant content based on key media editorial calendars, or
- liaison with external stakeholders i.e. media, trade associations etc.

In the domain of Finance or Procurement or Accounting:

- contribution to/assisting in different Finance or Procurement projects, e.g.:
- budgeting and monitoring support;
- data entry of financial information into IT tools;
- assisting in reorganizing of existing physical and digital files;
- creating/drafting financial Q&A documents, for publication on ESMA intranet side;
- Interacting with internal and external stakeholders on procurement/contract management questions.

In the domain of ICT or Facility Management:

- contribution to/assisting in different ICT or Facility Management projects, e.g.:
- improving the functionality/organisation/distribution of a first-line helpdesk (phone, e-mail)
   e. g. IT-Helpdesk, FM-Helpdesk (receiving and answering calls from the users, first quick assessment of the situation and either relay of the problem to a system administrator or an action by themselves);
- direct assistance to the end users, all kinds of troubleshooting and practical advice.
- assisting in installation and configuration of user workstations;
- in-depth testing of computers and/or applications;
- improving the document/mail/post management, or
- assistance and provide improvements for the mission management system/ booking of travel arrangements of staff.

In the domain of Planning & Reporting:

- assisting in re-setting/organising and preparation of monthly, quarterly and annual reporting;
- coordinate/draft briefings on the Resources Department's activities, or
- draft the internal newsletter on behalf of the Resources Department.



# 3. Qualifications and other requirements

## A. Eligibility requirements

Candidates must satisfy all eligibility criteria and provide relevant supporting documents at the time of submission of their application:

- be a national of a Member State of the European Union or the European Economic Area (EEA): Iceland, Liechtenstein or Norway;
- have a good knowledge of English<sup>6</sup>;
- be covered in the event of illness or accident by a national social security scheme or a private insurance policy, and
- for "graduate traineeships": have completed the first cycle of a higher education course and obtained a university degree or its equivalent (bachelor degree) OR

for "undergraduate traineeships": have an official declaration from the relevant university.

#### B. Advantageous requirements

The below mentioned requirements <u>are not</u> obligatory, and substitute an additional asset:

- university degree in the field of business administration, economics, finance, IT or comparable disciplines;
- good drafting skills in English (preparation of presentations, speeches, articles, revising of documents);
- knowledge of standard Microsoft applications (Excel, Word, PowerPoint);
- knowledge of specific applications (e.g. in the area of Finance: ABAC, SI2, SAP)
- working knowledge of HTML and web-marketing strategies<sup>7</sup>.

Behavioural competencies:

- good organisation skills and ability to handle large volume of work in an efficient and timely manner;
- precise and punctual work approach, attentive to details;
- good communication skills;
- dynamic personality with strong aptitude for team work;
- developed sense of initiative, is able to carry out assigned tasks without close supervision;
- handling sensitive information in a discreet manner, with respect to confidentiality, and
- being flexible and motivated.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> A self-declaration in the submitted CV or provided language certificate.

At least at the level of "independent user B2", as a minimum level of English according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages <a href="http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/resources/european-language-levels-cefr">http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/resources/european-language-levels-cefr</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> For traineeship in the Communication's domain.



## 4. Application procedure

Candidates must submit their application electronically. The application shall be composed of a CV in English (Europass format<sup>8</sup>), a motivation letter (maximum one page<sup>9</sup>) and the following supporting documents:

- ID card/passport (proof of nationality)
- diplomas, academic qualifications, declaration from the relevant university, language certificate etc. needed to prove s/he satisfies the eligibility criteria;
- documents showing that the trainee has public or private cover for accident insurance and sickness (covering entire duration of the traineeship period).

Documents must be sent only to <u>vacancies@esma.europa.eu</u>, and saved as follows:

#### ESMA\_2015\_VAC3\_TRP\_FAMILY NAME\_First name

Example: ESMA\_2015\_VAC3\_TRP\_SMITH\_Anna

Indicating in the subject line of the email: ESMA\_2015\_VAC3\_TRP\_FAMILY NAME\_First name Example: ESMA 2015 VAC3 TRP SMITH Anna

https://www.esma.europa.eu/about-esma/careers

The designated Committee shall assess the eligible applications and select those best matching the selection criteria and the profile required for this traineeship. Further information on traineeship programme at ESMA (selection process, rights and duties of trainees, duration, grant, leave entitlements etc.) can be found on ESMA's Career website, under traineeships:

## 5. Data protection

Candidates' personal data are processed as required by Regulation (EC) No. 45/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2000, on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Community institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data. This applies in particular to the confidentiality and security of such data. For more information, please check ESMA's privacy statement on recruitment procedures <a href="http://www.esma.europa.eu/page/Personal-data-protection">http://www.esma.europa.eu/page/Personal-data-protection</a>

 $<sup>{\</sup>small 8 \ {\rm http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/documents/curriculum-vitae/templates-instructions} } \\$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> If possible, with an indication in which area the applicant is interested to perform traineeship.