

About us

Founded in Brussels in 1983, CEPS (Centre for European Policy Studies) is a leading think tank and forum for debate on EU affairs, which has been consistently ranked among the top 10 world's best think tanks. CEPS' distinguishing features include its strong in-house research capacity and an extensive international network of partner institutes. CEPS' funding comes from a variety of sources, mainly research grants, public procurement, but also from membership and conference fees.

The CEPS unit on Global Governance, Regulation, Innovation and the Digital economy (GRID) is the largest unit within CEPS and explores, among other issues, policy and regulatory challenges in the areas of better regulation, innovation and industrial policy, global governance, sustainable development, digital technologies. Over the years, researchers at GRID have carried out a number of assignments for several EU institutions, several national governments, the World Bank, the OECD, the Inter-American Development Bank, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and many more. Increasingly, GRID adopts a multi-disciplinary approach, coupling social sciences (law, economics, political science, governance, international relations) with advanced use of data science tools (e.g., statistical and econometric analysis, data visualisation, supervised and unsupervised machine learning tools) and innovative tools for collective co-creation (strategic foresight, citizen engagement platforms).

“Intern – Global Governance, Regulation, Innovation and the Digital economy (GRID)”

Main tasks

The candidate is expected to contribute mainly to the research activities of the EU-U.S. TTD project (more information below). By doing so, the candidate will contribute to the following tasks (including, but not limited to):

- Analysis and desk research tasks to support the ten TTC Working Groups
- Preparing and implementing hybrid and virtual events for the TTD
- Coordination between the TTD Secretariat, TTD research staff, and TTD events and outreach manager
- Designing, conducting, and evaluating interactive digital questionnaires
- Contribute to research activities of other projects under implementation in the unit
- Contribute to projects development (proposal drafting) in the unit
- Further tasks as agreed with the supervisor(s)

General information about the internship

- Length of internship: 4-6 months
- Time commitment: ideally full-time, potentially part-time
- Starting date: January 2023

Your background and qualifications

- Student enrolled in a university degree in European studies, law, economics, political sciences, international relations, or another relevant subject
- Proficiency working with MS Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)
- B.A. degree in one of the following fields: economics, technology, human rights, management, political science
- A proactive approach to work and sound teamworking skills

Desirable qualifications

- M.A. degree
- Previous experience in a think tank
- Previous experience in/with the EU institutions (Brussels)

Learning elements and outcomes

On completion of the internship, the candidate will have:

- Developed understanding and expertise on EU and U.S. cooperation in the areas of trade, technology, and security
- Learned about the management processes and partners involved in an EU-funded project
- Strengthened writing, political analysis, management, and reporting skills
- Gained extensive exposure to the think tank environment, the work with EU institutions, and diverse stakeholders

What CEPS can offer

- Reimbursement of accommodation costs (up to 750 Euro/ month)
- Reimbursement of monthly transportation costs (Mobib card)

More information on the internship

Further information about the position can be obtained from Rosanna Fanni, TTD Coordinator, rosanna.fanni@ceps.eu

Application and deadline

Applications should include a one-page letter of motivation and a curriculum vitae, both in English. For the CV, please use the Europass template (<https://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/>). They should be e-mailed to internship.grid@ceps.eu by December 11, 2022, with the job title and unit name in the subject line (e.g. "Internship – GRID").

Information about the EU-U.S. TTD project

The **Trade and Technology Dialogue** is designed to support the [EU-U.S. Trade and Technology Council](#) (TTC), which serves as a forum for the European Union and the United States to coordinate approaches to key global trade, economic, and technology issues and to deepen transatlantic relations based on shared values.

Over a three-year period - from May 2022 until May 2025 - the Trade and Technology Dialogue (TTD) will mobilise experts and stakeholders on both sides of the Atlantic with events and research outputs to facilitate inclusive, efficient and effective discussions and joint initiatives in support of the EU-U.S. Trade and Technology Council and its ten working groups.

To achieve this goal, the Trade and Technology Dialogue will:

- Offer stakeholders from the EU and the U.S. a forum to exchange views on topics of relevance for the Trade and Technology Council with other stakeholders, as well as with relevant services, departments and agencies of the EU and U.S.;
- Assist the EU and the U.S. with access to relevant non-governmental expertise from a broad range of stakeholders; and
- Develop ideas and suggestions to the EU and U.S., based on the stakeholder engagement, to the benefit of the Trade and Technology Council.

Over the course of three years, the TTD organises **in-person, hybrid and online events** in the EU and the U.S.:

- Joint technical government-to-stakeholder meetings;
- Ad-hoc discussion rounds and exchanges on specific policy questions; and
- High-level government-to-stakeholder events.

The TTD also provides **analysis, research, and written outputs** on a demand-driven basis for the Trade and Technology Council. Among other formats, the TTD produces:

- Analyses of stakeholder positions and summary pieces in and across the Trade and Technology Council's working groups;
- Research to facilitate the development of common EU-U.S. positions and approaches; and
- Political analysis and ad-hoc papers for the Trade and Technology Council