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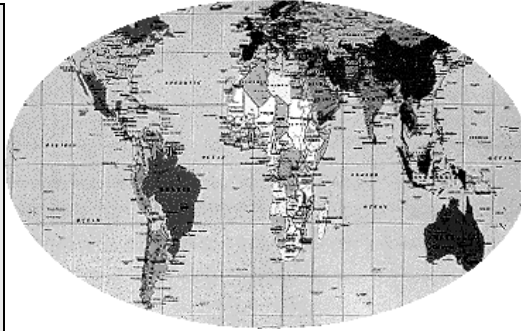
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IDPSA Friday Forum

Friday Forums will resume next semester. For more information, visit the International Development Program Student Association website at www.idpsa.org.



Website of Interest

<http://www.globalactionforchildren.org>

Check out Global Action for Children, an organization that works here in DC to promote awareness and advocate for policies and funding to benefit vulnerable children and orphans abroad.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Table Talk Lunch Series: “US Foreign Aid: Is it Broken? Can it be Fixed?”: *Wednesday, March 31st at 12:00 PM, Lounge, Kay Spiritual Life Center, American University*

Join us for a Table Talk Lunch Discussion with panelists **Gordon Adams**, Former Associate Director, Office of Management and Budget, Professor, American University; **Eric Lief**, Senior Associate, Stimpson Center; and **Peter Kranstover**, Former US Agency for International Development Official. Lunch begins at noon, followed by a discussion beginning at 12:20. RSVP to kslc@american.edu by Tuesday, March 30th.

Panel Discussion: “Sustainable Development – The Many Facets of Community Empowerment”: *Tuesday, March 30th, 8:30 PM to 10:00 PM in Mary Graydon Center, Rooms 203/205, American University*

Our goal is to bring together key leaders in the field of development and community empowerment to discuss the many facets of sustainable development. International development can take many different forms (i.e. health-focused, education-focused, etc.), but the common trait these perspectives share is the need to promote sustainable models of economic and social development, in short to help local communities be able to help themselves. The panel discussion will look at the different ways this has been done and discuss these ideas more in general. Panelists will include: John Wanda, President and founder of the Arlington Academy of Hope; Nicole Hewitt, Program Officer at the Institute for Sustainable Communities; Andrea Bachmann, American University student returned from Alternate Break. Free Armands Pizza will be provided.

3-Day USAID “Global Pulse 2010” Online Conference: *Monday, March 28th—Wednesday, March 31st*

The Global Pulse 2010 event begins on Monday, March 28th, and all members of the AU community are encouraged to participate. Global Pulse (www.globalpulse2010.gov) is a 3-day, online collaborative discussion sponsored by USAID with support from several other government agencies, including the Departments of Health and Human Services, Commerce, and Education. The event is free to the AU community. The event aims to engage people around the world in conversation about 10 topics of social interest: Empowering Women and Girls; Enabling the Essential Education; Building Stronger Partnerships; Exercising rights, increasing citizen participation, and expanding accountability; Inspiring a New Generation; Promoting Global Health; Advancing Entrepreneurship, Trade & Economic Opportunity; Fostering Science, Technology and Innovation; Supporting a Sustainable Planet; Pursuing Grand Challenges. KSB has partnered with USAID for this event, and you can read some more background on the partnership here: http://www.american.edu/kogod/news/20100323_ksb_global_pulse_2010.cfm. To register, visit this link (open to anyone with a .edu email address): <https://www.collaborationjam.com/minijam3/jam/registration/index.do?jamId=57>. If you'd like, you can use this AU logo in your jam profile: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/kogod/4458430756/>. If you have any other questions, please contact Joe Navatto, Marketing Manager, School of International Service, at 202-885-1638 or navatto@american.edu.

Job/Internship Opportunities

More event information is available on the IDPSA List Serve

All ID Master's Students should subscribe to the IDPSA and ID Program listserv. Please email idsis@american.edu with your full name and email address to subscribe.

JOB

Global Membership Associate at Devex

Description: Join one of the fastest-growing companies in international development: www.devex.com. Serving more than 200,000 international development professionals from around the world, Devex is a social enterprise bringing efficiency to the field through recruiting and business information services. We provide an online platform that provides recruiting, business development, and networking services to international development professionals around the world. Devex seeks an energetic, personable and motivated individual with superb customer relations skills to serve as a Global Membership Associate in our DC headquarters. The Global Membership Associate will manage sales and client relations for existing and potential Executive and Small Business Members.

Responsibilities: Identify NGOs and international development companies as prospective members; Create and implement marketing campaigns to increase and sustain membership; Provide customer support to existing members; Promote add on services to existing and potential members including: Candidate Sourcing, DevHire, Custom Research and Advertising; Train members on member services including software products such as DevHire and DevelopmentTrack; Assist members with business development and recruiting requirements; create and maintain a network of connections in the development community to leverage our services; Keep updated on current trends and happenings with the international aid community to better understand our clients' needs; Opportunities to do research and writing for our website; Occasional travel to give marketing and training presentations.

Qualification: Bachelor's degree in a related field. 1-3 years work experience, including at minimum 1-2 years experience with one of the following: subscription based service provider, product sales or international business. Experience working with the international development sector or knowledge of the industry a plus. Prior sales, marketing, and/or account management experience. Superior customer service skills. Fluency in one of the following languages a plus: Spanish, French, German, Portuguese, Japanese or Italian. US work authorization required. Skills: Strong interpersonal and communications skills; Highly organized, detail-oriented; Business-oriented with an entrepreneurial spirit; Strong networking and client management skills. Ability to set goals and meet deadlines. Personal attributes include a strong work ethic, positive attitude, and personable demeanor.

To Apply: <http://www.devex.com/jobs/mar2010-devex-global-membership-associate>

INTERNSHIP

International Centre for Tropical Agriculture Internship in Colombia

Description: The Decision and Policy Analysis Program (DAPA) of the International Centre for Tropical Agriculture (CIAT) is seeking English speaking recent graduates for 6-12 month internships. CIAT is an international research center, one of the fifteen global centers of the Consultative Group on International Agriculture Research. Located in Cali, Colombia and working on international projects in Africa, Asia and Central and Latin America, the DAPA program evaluates the effects of climate change, evaluates technology and knowledge gaps, critically analyses environmental and agricultural policy in Latin America, and considers barriers to market access for small, rural producers in developing countries. The interns will gain experience in international research for development, and will be actively encouraged to use the internship as a stepping stone to further education at the masters or PhD level.

Responsibilities: The interns are expected to work on a range of tasks from project and report writing, to analysis of data and publication of peer-reviewed journal articles. We seek young, enthusiastic and energetic people with solid English skills, to spend a 6-12 month period of time in our head office in Cali, Colombia. We provide the cost of tickets to and from Colombia, plus a monthly stipend of US\$750 (sufficient for basic living in Colombia).

Qualifications: Excellent English skills, including strong capabilities in writing. Knowledge of Spanish is a bonus, but not essential. Recently graduated at undergraduate or masters level in any of the following disciplines: Economy, Geography, Agricultural Science, Environmental science, Development Studies, Biology, Sociology, Social Communication, Business or other related subject matters. Interest in applied research for developing countries. Open to experiencing new cultures and perspectives.

To Apply: This is an open call with no deadline. Applicants should send an email to Andy Jarvis (a.jarvis@cgiar.org) with a CV and application letter outlining your motivation, research interests and medium term career plans. Also be explicit about your potential areas of interest with respect to the Decision and Policy Analysis program's work. For further information on the Decision and Policy Analysis Program, see <http://gisweb.ciat.cgiar.org/dapablogs/>. For further information about CIAT, see <http://www.ciat.cgiar.org>.