

**Job Vacancy: WYA Europe Regional Director of Advocacy**

The WYA Europe Regional Director of Advocacy (RDA) reports directly to the WYA Europe Regional Director and supervises the advocacy interns in the WYA Europe office. The RDA is responsible for the implementation of the advocacy strategic plan for the European region, and represents WYA as stated in the vision, mission, and charter. The RDA submits an annual advocacy operational plan for Europe and reports on the region's advocacy progress through appropriate reporting mechanisms and during staff meetings. The RDA is responsible for directing all advocacy-related matters in the European region, but primarily those of the European institutions (European Parliament, Commission and the Council).

Application Deadline: 11<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Training Start: 25<sup>th</sup> of March 2019

**Responsibilities:**

- Develop an operational plan for advocacy for the European Region, in coordination with the WYA Headquarters Director of Advocacy's strategic plan and the WYA Europe Regional Director's strategic plan.
- Develop advocacy programs for the European Region as requested by the WYA President and WYA Europe Regional Director.
- Monitor the European institutions on a daily basis, attending plenary sessions and side events both in Brussels and in Strasbourg.
- Monitor Council of Europe Parliamentary Assembly.
- Maintain and build new contacts with like-minded NGOs in the Europe region primarily in Brussels and exchange information on EP issues.
- Coordinate response to national issues, including amendments to legislation and campaigns for and against policy proposals.
- Train WYA Europe interns on advocacy issues, particularly Chapter 7 of Certified Training Program, and lead interns' participation at European Institution.
- Coordinate EP passes for interns and members who attend policy events.
- Report to Director of Advocacy weekly on European advocacy matters.
- Maintain and build contacts with friendly MEPs and assistants, effectively using Raiser's Edge and the WYA Europe Regional Master Database.

**Qualifications:**

- Bachelor's degree required; JD or equivalent law degree preferred
- Excellent language skills (English and one of French, German or Spanish required)
- Knowledge of European institutions preferred
- Excellent analytical skills; strategic and diplomatic abilities
- Excellent interpersonal skills and collaborative management style
- Ability to manage time effectively to meet deadlines
- Excellent writing and communication skills
- High comfort level to work with people from different cultures and backgrounds
- Certified WYA Member (Has successfully completed WYA's Certified Training Program)
- Strong understanding of the uniqueness of WYA's mission in terms of advocacy
- Within WYA's membership age (not more than 30 years old)

Applications will be considered on a rolling basis. Applicants are highly encouraged to fill out the application form here by the 11<sup>th</sup> of March 2019. Apply [here](#).