SWISS POLAR INSTITUTE

The Swiss Polar Institute (SPI) supports Swiss-based scientists in their research at the three poles of the Earth, the Arctic, Antarctic and remote high-altitude regions. Activities range from project and logistics funding, the organisation of scientific programmes and expeditions, to health and safety courses and outreach activities with schools and cultural actors. The SPI is a private foundation supported by the Swiss Confederation.

The Swiss Polar Institute has an opening for an:

Internship 80% -100%

Location: Sion

Entry date: 1 November 2023 or upon agreement

Duration: 9 months

Aims of the internship

- Contribute to the management of science programmes and obtain a "behind the scenes" view of a science organisation
- Enrich SPI with an early-career researcher perspective
- Obtain work experience in a small team and a dynamic environment

Tasks

- Support project evaluation processes and management of existing scientific projects
- Contribute to SPI outreach activities and events
- Support the implementation of SPI internal projects (projects database, reading room, etc.)
- Develop own tasks and project within SPI in agreement with the SPI team

Your profile

- Completed Bachelor or Master degree
- Background in natural or social sciences with a specific interest in polar or high-altitude research
- Languages: French or German, fluent in English (SPI working language)
- Strong links to Switzerland and its research landscape (studies, links with research community and landscape)
- Primary residence in Switzerland

What we offer

- 9 months internship
- 80%-100% employment with a competitive salary (related to qualification level/experience)
- New offices in Sion, Valais, within a vibrant science campus in the middle of a rich alpine environment
- Work in a small team committed to supporting cutting-edge science in the fascinating, but fast changing polar environments
- Half Fare CFF travelcard



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Should you be interested and match the profile, we very much look forward to hearing from you. Please send your full application (motivation letter, CV, diplomas, in a single pdf file) by 1 October 2023 to secretariat@swisspolar.ch. Only complete application files will be considered.

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