



Call for applications 2014

We are seeking student reporters

Be a student reporter at the *Tropentag 2014*

17 – 19 September 2014, Czech University of Life Sciences Prague, Czech Republic

Bridging the gap between increasing knowledge and decreasing resources

The Tropentag is a development-oriented and interdisciplinary conference. It addresses issues of resource management, environment, agriculture, forestry, fisheries, food, nutrition and related sciences in the context of rural development, sustainable resource use and poverty alleviation worldwide.

“Tropentag”, (www.tropentag.de) the conference on Tropical and Subtropical agricultural and natural resource management is an annual conference organized by ATSAF e.V. in collaboration with European universities since 1997. The Tropentag 2014 is hosted by Czech University of Life Sciences Prague, Czech Republic, and expects participants from more than 70 countries. This year’s Tropentag features from the CGIAR the “International Livestock Research Institute – ILRI.” Keynote speakers are among others Patrick van Damme, tropicallab, University Ghent, Belgium; Richard Hall, IFC, Sweden; Michael Hauser, CDR, BOKU, Vienna; Zuzana Hlavickova, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Czech Republic; Jimmy Smith, ILRI, Nairobi, Kenya; Christel Weller-Molongua, GIZ, Germany and Miroslav Zamecnik, Boston Venture Central Europe, Prague, Czech Republic. To increase the outreach of the event, ATSAF e.V. with the support of ZALF, Müncheberg,, sponsors a team of student reporters to give an account of the event.

What does this mean for you?

As a student reporter, you will attend a 2 day workshop in early September 2014 introducing you to communication through the world wide web. Student reporters will work in an interdisciplinary team of 12 international students who continuously contribute to a multi-author blog with text and visual content from 17–19 September 2014 in Prague at the Tropentag. In the blog and other media the student reporters will summarize the discussions and report on recent trends, hot topics or emerging issues during the conference. At the end of September a seminar on “The way forward to a professional career” will wrap up the activities.

ATSAF e.V. will cover all travel costs (low emission transportation means are strongly suggested), accommodation and registration fee for the conferences.

Who can apply?

The application is open to students affiliated to a European university with great interest in the Tropentag topics. Applicants should be fluent in English and have basic experience in interview and writing techniques and/or knowledge in the use of Web 2.0 social networks. If you are skilled in using

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visual media or social media, writing for a wider public and/or digital photography or video recording, please also state this in your application.

Please apply with a short CV outlining your experience in the relevant fields and a motivation letter (maximum ½ page). Let us know your country of origin and what and where you study currently. Please indicate your skype account, your ResearchGate profile and your facebook or LinkedIn profile.

Please send your application to studentreporter@atsaf.de

Deadline for application is 30 June 2014.

More information is available on www.tropentag.de