



Call for Applications

Junior researchers for each of the following countries:

Belgium, Croatia, Hungary, Italy and Sweden

The [Networks Overcoming Antisemitism \(NOA\) Project](#), coordinated by CEJI - A Jewish Contribution To An Inclusive Europe, is recruiting graduate students to join our team as Junior Researchers.

Two months contract beginning July 2020, flexible location in country of research

Application deadline: June 19, 2020

Background

In direct response to the Council's Declaration for Member States to adopt a holistic strategy to prevent and fight antisemitism, the NOA project will provide a mechanism to support Member States in the development and implementation of national action plans and provide a wealth of socio-cultural educational resources that can reverse the tide of antisemitic attitudes. Only through such a hand-in-hand approach that marries policy and practice, security and education, transnational and national actions can positive results be achieved in reducing the prevalence and impact of antisemitism in Europe.

On policy level, the work of the European Commission will be supported with the National Report Cards methodology to assess Member States' progress on the implementation of the Council Declaration, tested in 5 countries (Belgium, Croatia, Hungary, Italy, Sweden). Member States benefit from the establishment of a collaborative working relationship amongst stakeholders and through the provision of anti-bias resources that are essential for prevention efforts.

The NOA project will hold governments accountable through a **National Report Card** based on the various fields of actions called for in the EU Council Declaration, benchmarking progress indicators and engaging the various stakeholders in the development and implementation of national action plans. The methodology will be tested engaging 150 policy-makers and policy-influencers in each country, culminating in a European final conference to nourish their efforts and influence other Member States to systematically implement a holistic strategy to address and prevent antisemitism. NOA partners aim to work intensively the 1st year to release the results from five pilot countries so that such progress assessment can already be done by the end of the 2nd year.



This National Report Card methodology will examine areas that can be difficult to measure, while sharing good practices, especially in relation to Education and Remembrance, Hate crime and Hate speech, Security, Media, Interfaith-Intercultural dialogue, Religious Freedom and Sports. Data will be gathered, experts and stakeholders will be interviewed, missing data will be identified and justifications for each country's allocated score will be provided.

A Junior Researcher is being sought in each of the 5 countries where the National Report Card Methodology will be tested (Belgium, Croatia, Hungary, Italy and Sweden). The ideal candidate is someone who is enthusiastic about policy-making and civil activism and will establish themselves as a key contributor in a small, fast-paced environment and a diverse team. If you love research and you are a strong writer, this is a summer job for you. You will have in-depth experience of research for advocacy purposes: conducting research using a range of appropriate methodologies, analysing and presenting findings, identifying patterns and applying research-based analysis to campaigning for positive change in European societies.

Tasks and responsibilities:

- Drive, conduct and implement the desk research and support field-based research based on the Report Cards Framework in different fields, (such as: education, media, security, hate crimes, interfaith dialogue and sports), within the scope of NOA's mandate locally in one of the five countries
- Collecting and analyzing data based on the Report Card indicators to be provided.
- Interview stakeholders and experts, in-person or remotely
- Assist the work of the national and thematical experts and other external contributors
- Assist in preparation of data reports and updates, briefing notes, and responses to partners
- Assist the organization of meetings with stakeholders locally, with optional participation in the national stakeholders' consultation workshop to test results and facilitate targeted recommendations.
- Promote best practices, case studies and knowledge-sharing among the other junior researchers and the partner organisations.
- Follow other researches and developments relevant to NOA's mandate.
- Provide NOA's team with practical advice and expertise on the implementation of the research if necessary.



Qualifications and criteria:

- Excellent research, analytical and writing skills.
- Excellent communication skills with a strong ability to ask good questions and listen empathetically.
- Experience of planning, organizing and prioritising work under pressure and to deadlines.
- Outstanding written and verbal English and the ability to work fluently in the national language: Croatian, Dutch, French, Hungarian, Italian or Swedish.
- Experience in research in social sciences (Bachelor's degree is required, Masters or PhD desired)
- Good knowledge of MS Office programs including Word, Excel and Powerpoint and database management experience
- Ability to write clearly and concisely, without need for significant editorial revision
- Understanding the aims and mission of the NOA project
- Research interests covering social issues, combating hatred in different sectors
- Ability to work independently and with an international team
- Resourceful, determined and diligent in the search for information
- Detail-oriented in note-taking and keeping good records

What we offer:

- A summer job well-adapted to 2020 pandemic circumstances
- Flexible work schedule with 35 hours/week
- Real research experience for the purpose of advocacy for policy-change
- Knowledge about the pan-European cooperation of 6 different civil society organizations
- Experience of an ambitious European Commission-funded project with regular exchanges amongst the transnational team of junior researchers and amongst national stakeholders
- Support from the project coordination team and a national expert and advisory council.
- Sponsored invitation to the final project European conference in winter 2021/22.
- Potential further involvement in the later stages of an exciting project that promises to inform the field of fighting antisemitism and hatred in all its forms.



Salary:

This position is full time @ 35 hours per week for the period of two months @ 600/month net plus travel, phone and internet expenses. Home access to internet, laptop and mobile phone is required for this position. Work related expenses, such as local transport will be reimbursed.

Additional opportunities to participate in NOA project activities, such as stakeholders consultation workshop, national or European conferences, trainings or cultural events will be optional.

To apply:

Send CV with a cover letter and writing sample to Tamas Buchler at tamas.buchler@ceji.org by June 19th 12:00 noon CEST



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