

INTERNSHIP: Tech Accountability Project in Europe and the UK

The Signals Network is seeking an intern to support its Tech Accountability Project in Europe and the UK. This is an opportunity to work with a small, global non-profit organisation run by an international team determined to hold power to account.

About The Signals Network

[The Signals Network](#) (TSN) is a US-based non-profit organisation with international operations. Its aim is to advance the public's interest by encouraging transparency, accountability, reporting and whistleblowing.

To support whistleblowers and hold power to account, The Signals Network employs an E.P.I.C. strategy that includes: **empowering** workers to stand up to power and speak out about wrongdoing; **protecting** whistleblowers who contribute to published reports of wrongdoing; supporting collaborative **investigative** reporting on wrongdoing; and, advocating for lasting **change** as a result of whistleblower revelations.

The Signals Network actively supports dozens of whistleblowers across 12 countries. These courageous individuals have provided information on the biggest media stories of our time, including Big Tech data violations, government and corporate corruption, #MeToo abuses, political propaganda online, health hazards and more to a range of international media outlets, including *The New York Times*, *The Guardian*, *Le Monde*, *BBC*, *Der Spiegel* and *The New Yorker*. We have coordinated the publication of four major investigations through media in the U.S. and across Europe that reached tens of millions of readers. In 2021, we kicked off our Tech Accountability Project (TAP) to specifically tailor our end-to-end support to tech workers and Big Tech whistleblowers. More information is available on our website.

REPORTING TO: Tech Accountability Project Manager

PURPOSE:

The intern will work closely with the Tech Accountability Project Manager to build TSN's Tech Accountability Project in Europe, as well as in G77 countries where there is an intersection with European issues. This involves building networks of tech workers, journalists, lawmakers, and other stakeholders. The intern will directly contribute to TSN's advocacy strategy and grow the profile of TSN in relevant communities.

SCOPE OF WORK

Building networks

- Reach out to tech worker groups and labor groups in the UK and Ireland to understand how TSN can better support worker power.
- Support with the development of resources to inform tech workers about speaking out safely in the UK and Ireland.
- Conduct research on tech accountability stakeholders in the EU and UK.
- Meet with tech workers, journalists, advocates, and others to build networks for whistleblower support.

Advocacy research and implementation

- Contribute to TSN's overall tech accountability strategy through engagement with internal and external stakeholders.
- Conduct research on content moderation, the intersection of AI and platform work, and tech accountability issues in the UK, EU, and in some G77 countries. Identify opportunities for advocacy in those countries and build partnerships with local stakeholders working on those efforts.
- Research areas where TSN can support whistleblower laws in the UK and EU.

Communications

- Develop online communication to promote TSN and our resources.
- Follow tech and whistleblower news in Europe and the UK and highlight key developments. Share interesting stories on TSN's social media.
- Build a systematic network of journalists in UK and Ireland who cover tech and whistleblower issues.
- Identify opportunities for TSN to amplify tech accountability efforts from a diverse intersection of communities.

SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE:

- Bachelor's degree in social discipline preferred. Relevant work experience will also be considered.
- Experience researching advocacy and legislation in different contexts.
- Excellent research and writing skills.
- Broad knowledge of the technology, journalism, regulatory, and legal sectors.

TIME COMMITMENT:

- Estimated time commitment is ~15 hours/week for ~12 weeks (with time off for holiday). The total number of hours/weeks to be determined in partnership with the selected candidate.
- TSN is flexible on a weekly-by-week basis to accommodate studies and educational opportunities as long as the total agreed hours and deliverables are completed.
- It's expected that this project will require numerous stakeholder meetings and key informant interviews, so consistent progress on making contacts and creating content throughout the project is important.

TIMEFRAME:

- It is estimated that the work will be conducted for a 12-week period between November 2022 and March 2023 (with time off for holidays).

RATE:

- \$3,600 USD or GBP/EUR equivalency.

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

- Professionally proficient in English.

TO APPLY

- Please send a cover letter and CV by October 21st, 2022, to info@thesignalsnetwork.org.

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The Signals Network strives for justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion (JEDI) and prioritizes these values in our organization, programming, and employment practices. JEDI is at the forefront of our strategy and culture, and we are committed to building a team that represents a variety of backgrounds, perspectives, cultures, skills, and experiences, knowing that the more inclusive we are, the more successful we will be. We are an equal opportunity employer and Black, Indigenous, People of Color, and LBGTQA+ candidates are strongly encouraged to apply.