



De Natuurverdubbelers

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Nature^Squared – Internship landscape restoration

At De Natuurverdubbelers (Nature^Squared) we are working towards making a positive impact on biodiversity. We do this by undertaking projects at the nexus of ecology and economics. As a dynamic, Amsterdam-based, project office we are constantly exploring new opportunities in the field of biodiversity and natural capital. We work on topics such as regreening cities, regenerative agriculture, sustainable supply chains and green finance and landscape restoration.

About the internship project

Do you know that up to 40% of the world's land is considered degraded? This is the shocking conclusion of the UN Global Land Outlook report. Growing food on degraded land becomes progressively harder as soils rapidly reach exhaustion and water resources are depleted. Degradation also contributes to the loss of plant and animal species and can further accelerate the climate crisis by reducing the Earth's ability to absorb and store carbon. On a positive note, there are many techniques to restore degraded landscapes. [Greener.LAND](#) is a free and easy-to-use online tool where landscape practitioners can find all the information they need to start regreening their lands. By using the filters such as land use type, rainfall and slope we help farmers to identify the interventions that suit their particular landscape. It currently covers 20 landscape interventions, all low-cost and easy-to-implement. With [Greener.LAND](#) we aim to inspire practitioners in the field to take ownership of their future and start restoring landscapes today. It has the potential to become a key platform for landscape restoration worldwide. [Greener.LAND](#) is a collaborative project where we work with multiple NGOs, such as our neighbour [Justdiggit](#). Over the course of the next three years we will improve the [Greener.LAND](#) tool, by adding more interventions and information, but also through demonstrating the effects by following farmers around the world that implement interventions and to communicate their progress. Among other things, additional desk research needs to be conducted on landscape interventions, which will then be implemented in the online tool.



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Are you ready to help us restore and regreen our world's lands? We are looking for a motivated intern who has affinity with the topic of landscape restoration and who is excited to bring their knowledge to support this project

Who are we looking for?

- You are a master student, you have recently obtained your bachelor or master's degree, or you are in the last year of your bachelor program.
- You are studying an environmental or ecological study or something related or have affinity with these fields of study.
- You are analytical, pro-active and you are well-versed in communication.
- You are ready to learn how to transform scientific knowledge into practical

Do you recognize yourself in the description and are you excited to use your knowledge and skills to realize nature-based and sustainable solutions in practice? Then you might be the perfect candidate for us! We offer an internship (with compensation) for at least 3 days a week starting from March 2023 for a period of 4-5 months.

- **What can you expect?**
- Doing research on promising landscape restoration techniques. E.g. desk research and key informant interviews
- An exciting experience to work within a very unique and promising project that has the ability to make true change at a large scale
- Develop professional skills, such as working and keeping in touch with clients in the field and applying scientific insights to real-world cases
- Receiving strong support from our diverse team in the form of in-depth discussions and process guidance.
- A close team that is eager to work for a more sustainable world.
- An informal atmosphere where there is always room for questions.
- An internship allowance.
- A daily delicious vegetarian team lunch.

About Nature²Squared

Nature²Squared is a project office based in Amsterdam, working in the field of biodiversity and natural capital. We see the global and rapid trend of biodiversity loss as one of the greatest challenges for humanity. At the same time, we are convinced that investing in biodiversity and ecosystem restoration provides a great opportunity for generating positive results for business, society and our planet. This is why our mission is to bend the curve of biodiversity loss by connecting ecology and economics. We work towards our mission in several domains: rural areas, nature-based solutions (NBS), companies & supply chains, green finance and international landscape restoration. We collaborate with governments, companies (from SMEs to multinationals) and NGOs in the Netherlands and abroad.

Are you our next intern? Please send your CV and short cover letter to eli@natuurverdubbelers.nl