

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

ARCTIC CLIMATE CHANGE EMERGING LEADERS (ACCEL) FELLOWSHIP

A PROGRAM OF THE EMERGING LEADERS IN ENVIRONMENTAL AND ENERGY POLICY NETWORK

The Emerging Leaders in Environmental and Energy Policy Network (ELEEP) is pleased to announce that it is **currently accepting applications** for the ACCEL Program, a summer fellowship for undergraduate and graduate students in Europe and North America as well as recent graduates that blends policy and public relations. Fellows will work at the nexus between policy and communications, helping to create and curate a portfolio of online content while thinking strategically about how to package and market policy analysis to key audiences and increase awareness of Arctic issues in the public consciousness.

OVERVIEW OF ACCEL PROGRAM BENEFITS:

ACCEL is a one of a kind summer fellowship opportunity for young leaders interested in the Arctic and Arctic policy. The program will provide two fellows with a living stipend, travel and accommodation to flagship Arctic events in the Arctic Circle, participation in the Ecologic Institute's Arctic Summer College seminar program, and a wide variety of unique professional development opportunities. Participants will gain hands on experience and exposure to:

- Opportunities to publish written and multimedia content including policy analysis;
- Social media outreach;
- Web content creation, editing and design, including infographics, blog entries, and multimedia;
- Proposal and grant writing and project development; and
- Opportunities to meet leading figures in the Arctic policy world.

Program participants will play a crucial role as part of a core startup team charged with launching this new program. As such they will help set strategic direction and acquire a range of professional administrative skills and access to unparalleled networking opportunities through frequent interaction with ELEEP's international network of over 100 energy and environmental experts.

WORK AND TIME REQUIREMENTS:

Each fellow will spend 3-4 months working on a diverse portfolio of projects covering a range of Arctic issues in collaboration with ELEEP network members. One fellow will be hosted in Washington DC at the Atlantic Council, a leading nonprofit foreign policy think tank, and one will be hosted in Berlin at the Ecologic institute, a leading nonprofit environmental think tank. Fellows' responsibilities will include:

- **25%** Attending Arctic events, most likely in Iceland and Greenland, with members of the ELEEP network and creating content, coordinating preparation, and carrying out follow-up activities.
- **25%** Working closely with counterparts in Berlin/Washington, as well as members of the ELEEP network to manage and produce content for a new blog capturing your experience, exploring issues of transatlantic cooperation on energy and environmental topics (specifically in the Arctic), and providing thoughtful policy and news analysis. Fellows will be responsible for making strategic decisions about how to launch and grow the blog's readership, as well as take on editorial, technical, and content creation roles.
- **5-20%** Participation in and coordination of Ecologic's Arctic Summer College (more information below).
- **10%** Supporting Arctic specific programming at the Atlantic Council or Ecologic Institute such as event coordination and report publishing.
- **20%** Supporting ELEEP network activities (grant writing, interfacing with network members, etc)

HOW TO APPLY:

Applying to the ELEEP ACCEL Program is a little different from normal fellowship applications. We're searching for the next generation of *Arctic Ambassadors*, outgoing, creative, and entrepreneurial individuals willing and able to leverage their networks and contacts to promote their material, through video, policy analysis, blog op-eds, infographics, or anything else. As such, applicants will be selected through a competition designed to showcase these skills.

In order to be considered for the ACCEL Program, please post a 200 word response to the following prompt here <http://www.smalltimegermany.de/Eleep/Arcticpage.html>. You may also submit a video response less than two minutes in length; however, this is not required. After responses are posted, we will turn to the interested public to narrow the field by voting for their favorite responses. The top 10 candidates from each region, based on the number of supporting votes, will be contacted for interviews and required to submit a transcript and resume in April. To increase your chances of selection, we suggest sharing your post with your network and leveraging social media to generate votes. We also suggest you post early to allow time for votes to accumulate. **We will begin accepting applications March 10, but the official voting will begin March 30 at 12:00 AM and close April 13th at 11:59 PM.**

PROMPT:

What is the most critical Arctic issue and how would you convince others to act on it?

ABOUT THE ELEEP NETWORK:

The Emerging Leaders in Environmental and Energy Policy Network (ELEEP) is a joint project of the Ecologic Institute and the Atlantic Council. Launched in fall 2011, ELEEP is a forum for the exchange of policy solutions, best-practices, and professional development for early and mid-career American and European leaders working on environmental and energy issues. ELEEP has 100 members, split between the US and the EU. Members engage online, work collaboratively on academic research and op-eds, and meet regularly. ELEEP is financially supported by the European Union, the Robert Bosch Stiftung, the Allianz Foundation, and others. To learn more about ELEEP's activities visit: eleep.eu.

ABOUT THE ARCTIC SUMMER COLLEGE:

The Arctic Summer College creates a network of emerging leaders and experts that are brought together for 8 weeks in web-based seminars (webinars) from July 8 to August 26, 2013 on Mondays from 18:00-20:00 Central European Time. The program aims to build a lasting, policy-oriented network of Arctic professionals to strengthen communication across disciplines and improve environmental governance in the Arctic region. Key thematic areas to be discussed include: conservation, diplomacy and governance, the human dimension, energy and resources, fisheries, security, and transport.

ABOUT THE ATLANTIC COUNCIL:

The Atlantic Council is a non-partisan, non-profit think tank chaired by Jon Huntsman, former US presidential candidate, Governor of Utah, and Ambassador to Singapore and China. The Council promotes constructive U.S. leadership and engagement in international affairs based on the central role of the Atlantic community in meeting the international challenges of the 21st century.

ABOUT THE ECOLOGIC INSTITUTE:

The Ecologic Institute is a private not-for-profit think tank for applied environmental research, policy analysis and consultancy with offices in Berlin, Brussels, Vienna, and Washington DC. An independent, non-partisan body, the Ecologic Institute is dedicated to bringing fresh ideas to environmental policies and sustainable development.