

The Consumer Voice in Europe

## International Affairs Trainee

6 months traineeship

[BEUC – The European Consumer Organisation](#) is looking for an **International Affairs Trainee** to support the implementation of BEUC's strategy on digital trade under the supervision of the International Affairs team.

### Your role:

- **Monitoring and analysing EU and international developments** related to trade and customs (EU institutions, WTO, WCO, UNCTAD, etc.)
- **Mapping relevant stakeholders** and supporting engagement with EU institutions, international organisations, and civil society
- **Gathering and analysing evidence** from BEUC members, academic sources, and other relevant materials
- **Supporting the preparation of meetings and events**, including drafting agendas, background notes, and follow-up actions
- **Taking minutes** of internal and external meetings
- **Contributing to BEUC's advocacy work on digital trade files**, including trade negotiations and regulatory initiatives, and providing general support to the International Affairs team.

### Your profile:

- **University degree** in law, political science, EU affairs, international affairs or a related field
- A **strong interest in EU trade policy**, in particular digital trade and its implications for consumers
- **Good understanding of EU institutions** and decision-making processes
- **Strong analytical skills** and the ability to synthesise complex information
- **Very good drafting skills** in English
- Good **organisational skills** and **attention to detail**
- **Proactive** attitude and willingness to learn

- Previous experience or academic work related to trade, digital policy, or consumer protection is an asset

## What we offer:

- A **6-month paid traineeship** under a Convention d'Immersion Professionnelle (CIP) with a competitive package including:
  - An **allocation of 1.325€ per month**.
  - **Fringe benefits:** Homeworking allowance, public transport, **12 days** extra-legal paid leave.
  - **Flexitime**, homeworking possibility (up to **3 days** per week), **work-life balance**.
- A **welcoming** onboarding.
- A workplace committed to support staff **growth and well-being**.
- A **multidisciplinary and multicultural** working environment within an organisation dedicated to **promoting consumer interests**.
- A non-routine experience: The opportunity to deliver **positive impact** in an exciting **international** organisation with a **dynamic, committed and fun team** in the heart of Brussels.

**Location:** As our contracts are subject to Belgian law, candidates must be committed to **official registration** in Belgium and working from our **Brussels office**. We offer **teleworking possibilities from home or abroad**, subject to our remote working policy and organisational needs.

## Hiring process:

Applications for the position should be sent **by 17 May 2026** by e-mail to **apply@beuc.eu** with the subject line: **International Affairs Trainee**.

Your application should include the following documents:

- 1. A curriculum-vitae, with no photo.**
- 2. A motivation letter, 1 page maximum.**

**Any incomplete application will be disregarded, and only short-listed candidates will be contacted.**

The round of interviews will take place as of 15 June 2026 with the Head of Human Resources and the International Affairs Policy Officer.

**The entry into function is expected as of 01 September 2026**

BEUC is an equal opportunities employer. We encourage candidates of diverse backgrounds to apply. Please do not include a photo in your CV.

**Privacy notice:** In line with BEUC's [privacy policy](#), the personal data we process during hiring processes is only used for the purposes of carrying out the selection process and is deleted once the process has ended. For shortlisted candidates, we may ask for their consent to keep their information for 6 months after the end of the selection process in case other vacancies that could fit their profile open up.