

INTERNSHIP AT COMPASSION IN WORLD FARMING

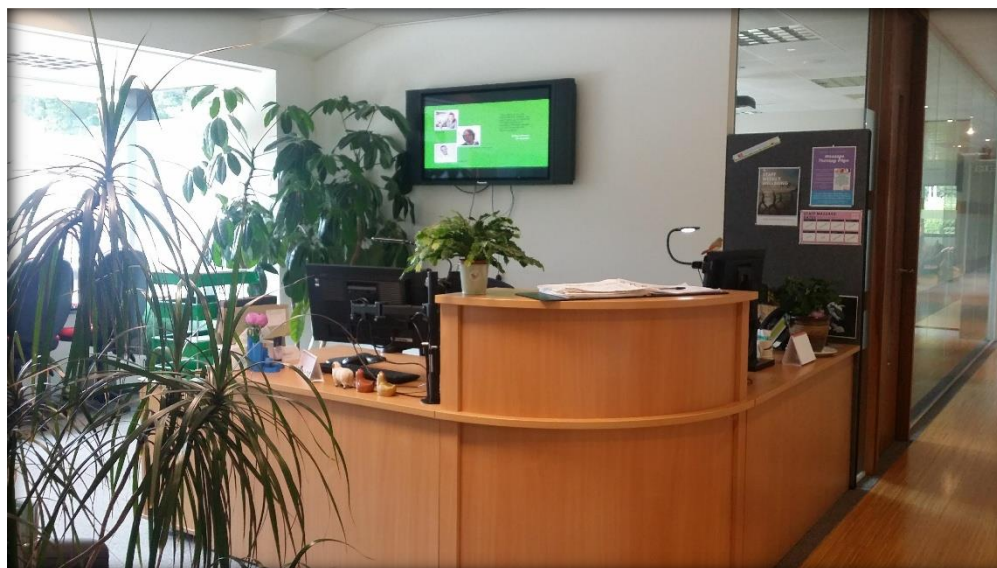
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In order to complete my year of the Master in Animal Law and Society, I asked to carry out my internship at the headquarters of the international NGO Compassion in World Farming (<https://www.ciwf.org.uk/>), which welcomed me from the 17th of July until the 18th of August 2017. CIWF's headquarters are in Godalming (England) and the NGO aims to end all factory farming practices.

I had the chance to work in the Office of the Chief Scientific Advisor with Wendy Smith as my traineeship supervisor. I was principally working on the "Extinction and Livestock Conference" (<http://www.extinctionconference.com/events/compassion-in-world-farming-extinction-and-livestock-conference/event-summary-4fb97cae0f154b88837d534eefb7a171.aspx>) organized conjunctly by CIWF and WWF which will take place in the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre in London, on the 5th and 6th of October 2017.

I was responsible to find the names and contact details of chief executive officers in major global animal welfare and environment NGOs, and senior staff, such as the Head of Department or lecturers at the best universities of the world on the matters of sustainable agricultural policy, climate change, health, water waste etc. It was exciting to be in charge of whom to invite and I have learnt a lot about important personalities in these sectors.

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Front desk of Compassion in World Farming in Godalming (UK)

In general, I also did an administrative work, such as classifying documents, data entry, sending mails etc. In addition, I had the opportunity to help at the UK Food Group annual members' meeting, which took place on the 25th of July in London. This year's theme was "Beyond the EU: Britain's impact on local food systems of the Global South" and it was interesting and instructive to be part of it. Furthermore, a few days later we came back to London to visit the UK Supreme Court and the UK Parliament at the Palace of Westminster, which allowed me to improve my legal and historical knowledge about UK.

I played a major role in helping restore the library at CIWF, which has a wealth of books and other publications on animal welfare science, ethics and the impacts of factory farming on the environment and food security.

I was lucky to be part of a nice team, friendly and welcoming, with the possibility to speak with anybody at any time. They let me take part in the staff meeting organized every Monday, to consult all the documents about the campaigns, and scientific and legal information available on their database and I have learnt a lot.

THANK YOU CIWF!



Vegan lunch with some colleagues at the restaurant The Red Lion in Godalming