



FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS
Terms of Reference for Interns

Job Title: Animal Production and Health Intern	
Division/Department: Animal Production and Health Division – Pastoralist Knowledge Hub (NSAP)	
Location: FAO Headquarters, Rome	
Linkage to Strategic Objectives International Year of Rangelands and Pastoralists 2026 initiative for promotion of pastoralist knowledge and raising awareness of the societal value derived from rangelands and pastoralists	
Expected Start Date of Assignment: 20 June 2026	Duration: 20 December 2026

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF TASK(S) AND OBJECTIVES TO BE ACHIEVED

Background:

Based in the Animal Production and Health Division, FAO’s Pastoralist Knowledge Hub was launched to fill the gaps in global policy discussions on pastoralism and the need to bring attention to the challenges faced by pastoral communities. By systematizing the compilation of available information, literature and knowledge as well as technical tools, assessments and research results, the Hub also aims at better advising evidence-based decision-making at all levels.

The Hub is now looking for an intern to support the communication and other programmatic activities of the Hub. While working with the Hub, the intern will have the opportunity to learn about the fascinating livelihood pastoralists, including the importance of mobility and communal resource access. The intern will also gain in transferable skills such as knowledge curation, information management, interpersonal communication, and report writing.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Support background research and analysis on pastoral systems, rangelands and transhumance, including regional perspectives;
- Contribute to the development of knowledge products, briefs or communication materials;
- Support coordination and information exchange within the Pastoralist Knowledge Hub and with FAO technical units and partners;
- Assist in the preparation, documentation or follow-up of meetings, webinars or events;
- Perform any other duties as required;

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Expected Outputs:	Required Completion Date:
• Background notes or analytical inputs supporting IYRP activities;	End of contract
• Documentation or support materials for IYRP events or coordination processes;	End of contract

REQUIRED COMPETENCIES

Minimum requirements:

- Background in agricultural sciences, environmental sciences, landscape ecology, natural resource management or a related field
- Experience/interest in pastoralism, livestock systems or rangeland management
- An advanced level of English (French is an asset)