



Data Intern

The position

We are seeking a motivated intern to support a scoping review of a wide set of developing countries as part of a global e-procurement transparency initiative. You will join a close-knit, interdisciplinary project team that supports the UNDP's Global Initiative on Measuring Corruption. The intern will conduct desk-based research to assess data collection feasibility, document reasons for country exclusion, and record key e-procurement metrics - such as the number of contracts available on public portals - to help pilot a novel global data transparency indicator. This is an exciting opportunity to contribute to cutting-edge development policy research and support UNDP's dialogue with member countries on e-procurement and transparency reforms.

Tasks

- Checking public procurement data publication practices focusing in developing countries,
- Website and regulatory mapping,
- Communicating data issues efficiently and clearly,
- Other ad-hoc tasks related to data mapping.

Required skills and qualifications

- Attention to detail and willingness to go the extra mile to understand the often complex data publication practices,
- Ability to handle and prioritize repetitive tasks,
- Proficiency with AI-assisted research tools (e.g. large language models, AI-powered search) and comfort integrating these into desk-based research workflows,
- Ongoing studies in a social science discipline (economics, political science, sociology or similar) - best fit for an end of BA or early MA student,
- Fluency in English, both written and verbal,
- Additional language skills are an advantage, especially Spanish, French, Arabic.



How to apply

We are currently hiring for the Intern position on a first-come, first-served basis. Interested candidates are encouraged to apply promptly, as the position may be filled as soon as a suitable candidate is found.

- **CV**
- **Half-page letter of motivation**

Applications and enquiries shall be sent to info@govtransparency.eu. Interviews to be held on a continuous basis.

Duration: 6 months (fixed)

Working time: part time (at least 20 hours per week)

Salary: 375-450 000 HUF gross for full-time employment depending on level of education, skills and experience

Expected start date: June 2026

Location: flexible, but preferably Budapest (our office is at CEU in Nádor street).

Visa/permit for employment: applicants must be eligible to work in Hungary (e.g. EU/EEA citizenship or a valid work permit).

The Government Transparency Institute

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The aim of the Institute is to better understand the causes, characteristics, and consequences of low-quality governance with interdisciplinary analysis, drawing on political science, economics, law, and data science. We regularly work with the World Bank, IMF, the European Commission, Transparency International, Tax Justice Network, the UNDP, and a range of national governments from countries such as Sweden, Jamaica or Kenya. Our data and research have been featured by leading global institutions and cited in outlets such as The Economist, The Wall Street Journal, and Deutsche Welle.

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