

## Two UK Internships Available 2009 (immediate start)

*"While development aid and political reform are essential components in poverty eradication, equally important are business models that would engage low-income communities as producers and consumers in their own robust economies.*

*Successful business models - inherently versatile, innovative, and driven by the profit motive - can sometimes tackle development challenges more quickly and effectively than government and aid mechanisms"*

<http://www.nextbillion.net/>

We are looking for people, of any age or background, but with ideally a Masters Degree, who are interested in this approach to International Development. We can offer a chance to gain professional experience working within a small global team (without pay) for 6 -12 months. (Full time preferred)

We are set to expand but are finding it really difficult to find local people with the right skill sets and/or experiences. Without promising anything, you can perhaps understand our interest in getting to know people first.

### **Intern Position One; Business Orientated**

- Development Through Enterprise
- Pro-Poor Sustainable Livelihoods
- Rights based Service Discovery
- Social Entrepreneurship

### **Intern Position Two; Technically Orientated**

- Open Source Networks and Platforms (Fedora and JBoss)
- Collaborative Working Environments (Liferay, Accepta)
- Gadgets, Widgets, Mash ups, Portlets, Applets, Midlets, Apps
- Wikis, Websites, List Servers and Social Networking Tools
- Java and Flash Gaming for Social Impact (especially Mobile)

### **Some of our Clients and Partners:**

UK Consortium on AIDS and Development, International Development Research Centre, Meraka Institute, Think Consulting, African Pulse, Growth International, DFID, CSIR (RSA).

### **In Return:**

We will provide you with an opportunity to gain practical experience working within a virtual, vibrant, cross-cultural, mixed disciplined team.

This could be combined with a Working Holiday – spending time with other team members in Cape Town and Pretoria, South Africa.

### **Next Steps:**

- For further information and to find out more about us [www.metalab.co.uk](http://www.metalab.co.uk)<sup>1</sup>

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