

Placement Details For: Made In Nations

Organisational Overview

Made In Nations is a UK registered not-for-profit organisation, which publishes details of the country of origin of a wide range of new consumer goods. Data is supplied by a team of volunteer online contributors. The site is used by students, environmentalists and others. We are currently working with Newcastle University in the UK and a branch of MIT in the US. We only publish the location of the final assembly of the product, as that counts most when working out the CO2 from shipping and transportation.

Placement Details

This is an internet-based placement so is particularly suitable for volunteers who prefer to work from home. Volunteers can research country of origin details of products informally at first through family and friends, and enter them on the site directly. Then they can progress to researching online the products of a particular manufacturer or follow their own interests, e.g. computer equipment, photography, HiFi and so on.

Although we can't provide an office-based experience, or any expenses whatsoever as our not-for-profit budget won't allow it, we are happy to encourage people personally, and to offer references, recommendations and links to home pages on sites like Facebook if volunteers would like that. Fortunately, most people have broadband at home so costs are minimal.

There are more details on the site on the /contributors page. Volunteers can register and then use a fast-access interface to upload data.

How To Apply

Interested people should have a good look at the site first and read the usual pages like About Us and so on to find out more about the organisation.

Then if you are interested in pursuing the opportunity, please email the following to Vanessa Whitehouse (info@disabledworkexperience.org.uk):

1. A covering letter, addressed to Graham Rankin explaining:
 - Why you are interested in applying to Made in Nations for some work experience;
 - What you hope to gain from the work experience
 - What you know about Made in Nations
2. C.V.

If you have any queries regarding the placement, please contact Vanessa Whitehouse directly at the following email address: info@disabledworkexperience.org.uk