IIP at the Food Agriculture Organization (FAO)

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Work Description

* Prepared reports for FAO donors.
* Translated legally binding documents related to food security.
* Evaluated data of fish consumption in developing countries.
* Prepared module for training of indigenous women and their rights to food security.
The Small Scale Fisheries Guidelines in Different Languages
Most Rewarding Aspects

* Meeting talented and passionate people from around the world.
* Gaining an exposure of the work that a UN agency carries out at its headquarters and around the world.
* Learned about the international procedures in the production of international, legally-binding documents.
FAO Headquarters in Rome
Impact on the Organization

* Took a personal project in the production of a module and booklet for the training of indigenous women and their rights to food security.
  - The material will be used in a UN meeting in New York with over 60 indigenous women from 6 different countries.

* Revised the Portuguese translation of FAO’s Guidelines on Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forests.
  - The long-awaited publication of this document in Portuguese will allow Portuguese speaking countries to materialize the recommendations outlined in the guidelines.
Documents Used for the Training

THE CODE OF CONDUCT FOR RESPONSIBLE FISHERIES AND INDIGENOUS PEOPLES: AN OPERATIONAL GUIDE

FAO POLICY ON INDIGENOUS AND TRIBAL PEOPLES
Impact on my Career Path

- Confirmed my desire to pursue a career in development, especially working for an international organization.
- Made me realize that I’d like to start working in the field rather than at the headquarters of such organization in order to gain a better understanding of the issues they work on.
Interns at FAO’s Cafeteria
Conclusion

* Acquired professional hands-on exposure to the international development field.
* Gained a deeper understanding of Italian culture and improved my Italian.
* Met incredibly passionate and talented people.
THANK YOU!