

Research Analyst Intern

Who are we?

We are the University of Cambridge's presence in Singapore, Cambridge CARES. Our activities are sponsored by the National Research Foundation's CREATE programme. The team is comprised of researchers from around the world who work on new scientific advances and technologies that will benefit Singapore and the international community.

The Cambridge Centre for Alternative Finance (CCAF) is an interdisciplinary academic research institute at the University of Cambridge Judge Business School, dedicated to the study of alternative finance, which includes technology-enabled financial instruments, channels and systems that emerge outside of the traditional financial system. The CCAF is leading the establishment of a global knowledge network that accelerates the creation and transfer of knowledge relating to FinTech: the Cambridge Alternative Finance Collaboration Network (CAFCN). Earlier this year the CAFCN launched operations in sub-Saharan Africa and in the Middle East, North Africa and the Mediterranean. As a cross-sectoral and cross-regional network, the CAFCN can facilitate FinTech market development and effect evidence-based regulatory changes in economies seeking to promote the sustainable growth of FinTech industries. This programme will establish and grow the CAFCN in the Asia Pacific region (APAC).

Who are we looking for?

Motivated, energetic and curious individuals who have an interest in alternative finance markets and data in the APAC region, to support research into greater understanding of the impact of economic, social and technological trends on business and operating models in financial services ecosystems. The role-holder will collect data, insights and metrics from market participants and industry associations across the region to inform and enable the FinTech ecosystem to function more efficiently, and to increase transparency of information amongst its various participants.

The role-holder will undertake research under the supervision of market researchers from the APAC team, developing both qualitative and quantitative data knowledge bases. This includes:

- *Research outreach and database*

The benchmarking programme is conducted primarily through survey-based data collection. The role-holder will identify and collect data from individual organisations and other target survey respondents as well as conduct desktop research in a timely and accurate manner. They will also be responsible for validating responses and entering them accurately into databases. The role-holder may also conduct survey data collection with teams in other regions.

- *Analysis*

The role-holder will assist market researchers to sanitise and validate the dataset on request. This will include analysis and preparation of data for presentation and visualisation.

- *Reports*

The role-holder will assist in writing up reports, as well as preparing presentations, gathering publications and other written content, including publication of key findings from data collection, desktop research on industry trends, and reviews of relevant academic literature, etc.

The role-holder will engage with other members of the APAC team to support administration of the research programme, as well as assisting with research projects and related activities (research proposals, presentations and reports).

This position will be employed by CARES in Singapore, the hosting organisation of CAFCN in the APAC region.

What skills do you have?

- At least a Bachelor degree, with a passion for finance and technology.
- Administrative IT skills, including advanced Microsoft Office suite skills, preferably including Excel.
- Excellent verbal and written English, with strong communication skills.
- A willingness to learn, with a flexible and global mindset.
- Excellent verbal and written skills in other Asian languages is advantageous.

What can we offer you?

- A truly interdisciplinary team and working culture, offering unique skills development opportunities.
- A stimulating working-environment with friendly, highly motivated colleagues.
- Opportunities to develop and implement new ideas in a creative environment.

Please note this post is based in the CREATE Tower at NUS University Town, Singapore.

How to apply?

Please apply with us via <https://talent.sage.hr/jobs/e2f91658-589f-4bb4-93a2-c2348c683cd3> by uploading your CV and cover letter, summarising the skills and experience you have that are most relevant for the position.

If you have any enquiries, please feel free to reach out to us via recruitment@cares.cam.ac.uk.