

Call for applications 2025

We are seeking Student Reporters

Be a Student Reporter at the *Tropentag - Hybrid conference*

September 10 - 12, 2025, Bonn, Germany

Reconciling land system changes with planetary health

“Tropentag” is an annual conference on tropical and subtropical agricultural, natural resource management, and rural development organized by **ATSAF e.V.** in collaboration with European universities since 1997 (www.tropentag.de). Tropentag 2025 will be organized as a hybrid event by University of Bonn / ZEF, Germany. We will have an in-person conference, but all oral presentation sessions will be live-streamed via an online conference platform. The Tropentag 2025 conference will summarize recent disciplinary and interdisciplinary approaches to address “Reconciling land system changes with planetary health”. To increase the outreach of the event, **ATSAF e.V.** sponsors a team of 12 student reporters to give an account of the event.

What does this mean for you?

As a student reporter, before the conference, you will attend an online workshop (end of August 2025, max 4 hours) and a 2-full day workshop (September 08 and 09, 2025 - just before the conference) on journalism & social media. Student reporters will work in an interdisciplinary team of 12 international students who continuously contribute to a multi-author blog with text and visual content from September 10 to 12, 2025 in Bonn at the Tropentag.

In the blog and other media (e.g., Instagram, FB, Flickr) the student reporters will summarize the discussions and report on recent trends, hot topics, or emerging issues during the conference. On September 13, 2025, a final workshop on “Feedback and the way forward to a professional career” will wrap up the activities.

ATSAF e.V. will cover all travel costs (low emission transportation means are strongly suggested), accommodation, and registration fee for the conferences. Furthermore, every student reporter will receive a lump-sum compensation of expenses of 150 Euro.

Who can apply?

The application is open to students affiliated to a European university with great interest in the Tropentag topic. Applicants must be fluent in English and should have experience in interview and writing techniques and good knowledge and skills in the use of social media.

Please apply with a short CV outlining your experience in the relevant fields and a letter of motivation (max 1 page). Please explicitly state your level of skill in video recording and editing, digital photography and editing, social media and writing for a wider public in your application. Also check out our Student Reporters webpage:

<https://www.atsaf.org/en/tropentag-student-reporters-2/>

Please send your application **in one pdf** to studentreporter@atsaf.de

Deadline for application: July 1, 2025