



# Existential Risk Observatory

## EXISTENTIAL RISK CONTENT CREATOR INTERNSHIP

Full-time/part-time, remote from anywhere, 650  
E/month

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## WE REDUCE EXISTENTIAL RISKS OF NEW TECHNOLOGY

New technology such as AI, biotech and nanotech is developing at lightning speed, which offers plenty of opportunities. However, this technology also entails major risks. In the worst case, the uncontrolled development of human-level AI in particular could even become an [existential risk](#): a threat to the future of humanity.

The Existential Risk Observatory has been set up to reduce the chance of existential risks. We are a young nonprofit with the aim of reducing existential risks by informing the public debate. We do this mainly by [publishing articles in leading media](#), organizing [events](#), and generating [attention](#) for our [ideas](#) in Dutch policy. We receive funding from, among others, SFF and ICFG. We have a small team but see a lot of potential for growth (~5x/year).

## ROLE DESCRIPTION

We are looking for an (AGI) existential risk nerd who can write well for a general audience.

The content on our website is still sketchy and does not provide complete information on existential risk. It is also not always accessible for a general audience, and not optimized for search engines. We want to improve our website to become a leading source of information for (AGI) existential risk which is accessible for the general public, up to date, and provides great links for further reading.

Practically, we are looking for a full-time or part-time content creator intern for a 3 to 6-month period (remote). The starting date is preferably no later than 1 April 2022.

We are a young start-up NGO with a small team and an informal culture. You can and are expected to take a high degree of ownership for your own tasks.

## WHAT WE OFFER

- A fun internship with a lot of freedom and possibilities.
- You are working on possibly the most impactful issue that exists at the moment.
- The possibility to make your mark on the information that will hopefully influence existential risk reduction efforts in the future.
- We are an important testing ground internationally with great potential for the future.
- The possibility to work fully remote.
- You work in a small team, with a lot of freedom to do your own work in your own way and in the hours you prefer.
- Internship compensation of 650 euros/month based on full-time employment (40 hours/week).
- The internship can be either full-time (40 hours/week) or part-time, where we have a mild preference for full-time candidates. Compensation of part-time will be proportional.

## REQUIREMENTS

An ideal candidate would possess all requirements below, however, if you are motivated but lack some of these requirements, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

- Thorough knowledge of, and somewhat of a fascination for, existential risks, especially from AGI. You have at least read several books such as *The Precipice*, *Superintelligence*, etc. on the topic and you keep up to date on forums such as LessWrong, AI Alignment Forum, and EA forum.
- You are motivated to inform the world using your knowledge.
- You have the ability to not only understand the topic thoroughly, but also communicate it to a general audience using an engaging and accurate style of writing (in English).
- Existing experience and network in the field would be a plus, but are not required.
- You are pursuing or have already completed an academic degree.
- You have experience working with WordPress and making content SEO-proof, or you are able to acquire these skills rapidly.
- You are able to work well independently and you enjoy working without direct oversight and with a remote team.
- Speaking Dutch and/or being located near Amsterdam would be a plus, but neither is required.
- Being located in a European or equivalent time zone would be a small plus.

If you recognize yourself in this profile and are motivated to do important work in reducing human extinction risks, we are looking forward to getting to know you!

## APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Please send your CV and a motivation letter to [info@existentialriskobservatory.org](mailto:info@existentialriskobservatory.org) before 13 March 2023. After shortlisting the most promising candidates, we will aim to make a decision after a two-step remote process.