

FBK is among co-founding & sponsors of European Summer of Code

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From May to September 2025 the most talented young developers in the world will have the opportunity to join a diverse and vibrant open source community. The main aim of the initiative is to foster Open Source and Open Science for Global Societal Benefits. The first activity launched is a Call for Partners & Participants open till the end of March 2025.

European Summer of Code (ESoC) program gives students and beginners in open source an unique opportunity to gain real world experience in open source projects with the newest technologies by working on a 3+ months coding project along with open source organizations under the support and guidance of talented mentors.

ESoC Goals:

- inspire developers to begin participating in open source development;
- help open source projects identify and bring in new developers into their communities;
- get more open source code written and released for the benefit of all;
- give newer developers more exposure to real-world software development.

FBK is among the first co-founding Sponsors & Hubs. The researcher <u>Andrea Gobbi</u>, expert in fields of applied mathematics, data analytics, network theory and deep learning, will be one of the mentors involved in this project, with a peculiar focus on **time series forecasting models**.

He belongs to **Data Science for Industry and Physics** (**DSIP**) research unit of the <u>Digital</u> Industry center at FBK, on the forefront of data science and artificial intelligence.

"FBK" – says **Gobbi** – "is proudly part of this initiative whose main aim is to foster Open Source and Open Science for Global Societal Benefits. We put all our expertise to empower the young talents and get the dev community stronger."

ESoC is looking now for new partners to join the initiative all around Europe.

Becoming a partner offers several benefits

Firstly, the opportunity to select a sponsorship package that best suits your preferences. This allows you to tailor your involvement according to your specific goals and resources. Additionally, partnering with ESoC can significantly enhance your employer branding, making your organization more attractive to potential employees. This can be particularly valuable in a competitive job market where top talent is always in demand.

Moreover, being a part of ESoC enables you to identify future potential recruits. By engaging with the initiative, you gain access to a pool of talented individuals who are passionate about open source and could become valuable additions to your team. This proactive approach to recruitment can help you stay ahead in securing the best candidates for your organization.

Another key advantage is the chance to advance the state of open source technology.

Furthermore, you will have the opportunity to collaborate with like-minded partners who share your commitment to open source. These partners could potentially become future business allies, opening doors to new collaborations and opportunities. Working together with organizations that have similar goals can lead to synergistic outcomes that benefit everyone involved.

Lastly, your participation helps create the conditions for a vibrant and diverse open source community. A thriving community is essential for the sustained growth and development of open source projects. By supporting ESoC, you contribute to an environment where ideas can flourish, and innovation can thrive. This not only benefits the open source ecosystem but also reflects positively on your organization's commitment to fostering a dynamic and inclusive tech landscape.

Each partner will be matched with candidates, to be selected in the following weeks through another open call.

Summer Interns Benefits

Summer interns can enjoy a variety of benefits. Firstly, they will have the opportunity to work on an exciting open source project. This not only allows them to develop new technical skills but also enables them to contribute actively to a project that can have a significant impact.

Additionally, by participating in this program, interns can generate societal benefits through open source. Their work can help improve technologies and tools that are accessible to everyone, thereby promoting innovation and collaboration on a large scale.

Another important advantage is the chance to get noticed by potential future employers. Working on a high-profile open source project can attract the attention of companies that value the skills and experience gained in this field. This can open up new career opportunities and make interns more competitive in the job market.

To support interns during the summer of 2025, a stipend of 4.800€ is provided. This financial assistance helps cover living expenses, allowing interns to fully focus on their project without financial worries.

Beyond the financial benefits, interns will have the opportunity to network with like-minded individuals and companies that share their passion for open source. This networking can lead to

future collaborations, exchanges of ideas, and professional growth opportunities.

Finally, by contributing to an open source project, interns help create a diverse and vibrant community. A strong and inclusive open source community is essential for technological progress and continuous innovation. Actively participating in this community allows interns to leave a lasting impact and contribute to its future

Welcoming participants from all over the world, ESoC is the 1st European Open Source Programme with a pool of sponsored Open Source projects with stipends and Public/Private sector collaborations with AI focus.

Its organization is decentralized, with a hubs-and-spokes model, where hubs are major data science, AI, open source organizations across EU; and spokes are open source projects and local industrial stakeholders.

Join the 2025 European Summer of Code!

We're calling on two groups of pioneers:

Aspiring summer interns: Work on cutting-edge open-source AI and data science projects, get a 4800€ stipend, and collaborate with leading researchers, developers, and industry partners. A fantastic opportunity to boost your career while contributing to societal impact!

Interns: Apply here ? https://lnkd.in/e_wWnsH8

Corporate, government & associative sponsors: Support open-source innovation and fund one or more interns. Sponsoring means gaining visibility, identifying future talent, and collaborating with like-minded partners in the AI and data science ecosystem.

- ? May–September 2025 (3 months full-time equivalent)
- ? Fully remote or hybrid, with hubs across Europe
- ? Apply or sponsor by the end of March!

Sponsors: Get involved here? https://lnkd.in/ey9JPsVe

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