

## 46th ANNUAL MEETING - SEPTEMBER 2024

# NAFO Internship Program (Prepared by the NAFO Secretariat)

### **NAFO Internship Program**

At the 2023 Annual Meeting of NAFO, the internship program was paused and the funds of CAD \$14,000 were reallocated to scientific purposes. The funding supported a contract to assist the Scientific Council/Precautionary Approach Framework Working Group members in developing and implementing general and specific approaches for the testing of the revised Precautionary Approach Framework.

The NAFO Secretariat anticipates reopening the program in 2025.

## **Background Information**

At the 2011 Annual Meeting, a NAFO internship program was adopted. The NAFO internship program allows students, post-graduates or early career individuals from NAFO member countries to work in the NAFO Secretariat as an intern for periods of up to six (6) months. Interns can gain experience and knowledge in operations of NAFO as an intergovernmental organization while the NAFO Secretariat can benefit through the presence of an additional professional and their capacity and knowledge.

NAFO provides a stipend of CAD \$2,250 per month. Candidates are responsible for the coverage of travel costs to and from the place of residence and the location of the Secretariat or for the cost of medical insurance. Candidates are also responsible for their own accommodations.

#### Summary of Interns hosted at the Secretariat since inception

Since the NAFO internship program was introduced, thirteen interns have taken part in the program. The Secretariat has received applications from Canada, Denmark (in respect of Faroe Islands and Greenland), European Union, Japan, Norway, Russian Federation and the United States of America.