CALL FOR APPLICATIONS
JOIN THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

THE STRATEGIC BOARD OF THE FIRST INDEPENDENT DUTCH STUDENT THINK-TANK INVITES APPLICATIONS FOR THE INAUGURAL EXECUTIVE BOARD OF FOUNDATION GESCHIEDENIS ACTUEEL.

DEADLINE: DECEMBER 15 **UTRECHT, NETHERLANDS** **6 LEADERSHIP POSITIONS**

HISTORY AS A LENS FOR TODAY'S CHALLENGES

Established in 2022, GA! has grown by leaps and bounds into a vibrant and diverse forum and thinktank focused on exploring international relations, in all its forms, through the prism of history. Building on knowledge from students of various backgrounds and adopting a multidisciplinary approach, GA! thrives on diversity.

GA! is a trusted and growing organization, having worked with professors from various universities, including Leiden and Utrecht, and experts from TNO, Clingendael and the HCSS. This initiative was founded to foster and create opportunities for talented students to grow their voices in a difficult field.

Some of our Partners

Utrecht University	TNO	Clingendael Institute	HCSS	Ministry of Interior (BZK)	VRO

What makes us different: Resourcefulness, creativity, pro-activity, and passion are key skills that differentiate successful students. We produce magazines, podcasts, and organize public events in collaboration with leading institutions.

WHY JOIN

AN OPPORTUNITY TO GROW

GA! offers a unique opportunity for talented students to further their careers while showcasing their capabilities. Under the guidance of our Strategic and Advisory Boards, you will gain invaluable experience in running a think tank in a dynamic environment.

Career acceleration

The public sector values positions like Board Member, Research Fellow, and Committee Director. Working at a non-profit with a clear societal goal demonstrates intrinsic motivation.

Network expansion

Connect directly with ministries, universities, and think tanks like Clingendael and HCSS. Build relationships with professors, experts, and fellow passionate students.

Leadership experience

Shape strategy, develop initiatives, organize events, and deliver real impact in academic and policy discussions while leading specialized committees.

SIX LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Executive Board Composition

The Executive Board operates the daily operations of the think tank and oversees specialized committees. Each role offers unique opportunities to showcase your talents, expand your network, and make a lasting impact.

President

Lead the vision, coordinate excellence

> *Coordinate production and functioning of the executive board; reach out to interesting partners for collaboration*

- Preside over directors' meetings and prepare agendas with the Secretary
- Meet regularly with the Advisory Board for strategic discussions
- Provide logistical support to directors as needed
- Guide directors while overseeing research outputs
- Write the annual report and present products to boards

Secretary

The organizational backbone

> *Facilitate coordination among stakeholders; organize monthly meetings with members and experts*

- Coordinate communications among various stakeholders
- Facilitate collaboration between committees
- Maintain all documentation related to operations

- Record minutes from directors' meetings for accountability
- Schedule executive board and advisory board meetings

Publication Director

Shape the written voice of GA!

> *Manage publications and the thematic magazine; produce weekly news analysis; manage website & newsletter*

- Coordinate the writing process of the thematic magazine
- Encourage members to contribute and recruit guest articles
- Plan and execute publication schedules, set deadlines
- Provide feedback on articles to ensure quality
- Collaborate with PR Committee to boost visibility

Event Director

Create platforms for dialogue

> *Plan and execute events with partners; lead the annual GA! Symposium in October*

- Organize lectures, workshops, and networking sessions
- Collaborate with external experts like Clingendael
- Execute a minimum of four events during the year
- Evaluate past events to refine future activities
- Coordinate company visits with PR and Secretary

PR & Acquisition Director

Amplify reach, secure resources

> *Enhance visibility and secure funding; create long-term financial vision for GA!*

- Identify and secure funding sources for sustainability
- Develop communication strategy across all platforms
- Design visual materials and campaigns for engagement
- Utilize social media (Instagram, LinkedIn, WhatsApp)
- Organize company visits and secure donations

Podcast Director

Amplify student voices through audio

> *Create appealing audio content for GA! Insights; interview experts, professors, and students*

- Develop monthly podcast publication schedule
- Produce quality podcasts consistently each month
- Identify and invite engaging guests from diverse backgrounds
- Facilitate discussions between students and professionals
- Collaborate with committees for thematic consistency

Full position descriptions including detailed objectives are available on the website
https://gathinktank.com/about/contribution/

How to Apply

We invite interested candidates from all backgrounds to submit their applications by **December 15.**

1) Cover Letter

Outline your top 3 desired positions on the Executive Board and why you would be a suitable candidate (max 1 A4, not including additional materials)

2) Resume / CV

Highlight relevant experience or skills that demonstrate your qualifications

3) Supporting Materials (Optional)

Any additional materials that showcase your qualifications (e.g., writing samples, project descriptions, etc.)

4) MA IRHP Status

Indicate whether you apply under the MA IRHP Applied Research Lab project

EMAIL TO	SUBJECT LINE	DEADLINE
president@gathinktank.com with CC: secretary@gathinktank.com	App. [insert position] - [your name]	December 15, 2026

Important: We encourage anyone with interest to apply. If you don't secure an Executive Board position, opportunities remain in our specialized committees.

BRING INITIATIVE AND YOUR TALENT. WE'LL AMPLIFY IT.

Join GA! and shape the future of student-led policy research. Your voice matters.

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