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**Subject:** Motivation Letter

Dear Sirs, Madams

I am writing to apply for the Traineeship Program commencing in September 2018. I graduated from PUCRS - Pontifical Catholic University of Rio Grande do Sul in August 2015 and hold a Bachelor’s degree in Law and Social Studies. I also have a postgraduate diploma in Political Sciences and International Relations from the Institut d’Etudes Politiques – Sciences Po, Aix-en-Provence and am currently completing a Masters 1 in International and European Law in Universite Capitole 1 Toulouse – France. I completed my all my degrees with exceptionally high marks.

Two years ago I came to Europe for the first time and although this was a great achievement for me, it was in September 2015, when I returned for the second time that I really achieved something extraordinary. Moving to France was a challenge, I had to learn the language and integrate into French life. Finding somewhere to live, making friends and generally establishing a life for myself was sometimes difficult. However I found that with these challenges I thrived and became the person I am today. Navigating a new country and its bureaucratic procedures is no longer a challenge for me. I found that my ability to adapt to new situations improved in a way that only occurs when we leave the comforts of home. My adaptability is strengthened by my capacity to communicate with people from various backgrounds. I speak four languages and even when I encounter someone who speaks none of these, I have an impressive ability to find a way of communicating. These past two years have been invaluable and I am proud of how far I have come in such a short space of time.

I am a motivated person who likes a challenge. I am not afraid of change and like to keep moving forward. I hope to be able to contribute to the continued growth of your firm. At present I am studying for a Masters 1 in International and European Law in Toulouse, France. I aim to spend this academic year focusing on my studies. I am doing this course to gain an understanding of the European Law system. I will then use this knowledge next year to begin studying for the FE1 examinations. I plan to sit the exams in October and February of 2017/2018. My Masters finishes in May so I will have the opportunity to begin concentrating on the FE1s from then.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my application, I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully

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