



I am Tommaso Martini International Politics and Markets Master's Degree student from Bologna University. In summer 2017 I had the great opportunity to get funded by Bologna University for an internship in Israel at the Israel-Italy Chamber of Commerce.

The process of finding and organizing the internship was easy thanks to the professional competencies of the University Staffs. I was given by the Ufficio Tirocini a complete list of all possible Internship opportunities and I chose the one that most suited my time constraints during the summer. The help I was given by the University Staff and the grant I received for the Internship were both crucial for the success of my experience.

As far as the Internship is concerned it was a formative and challenging experience. The Israel-Italy Chamber of Commerce worked in tight collaboration with various University Offices to set up the best possible programme that was suited for my background. I worked for the International Division of the Chamber under direct supervision of the Italian Embassy. The daily work mostly consisted of conducting market analysis with Senior Foreign Market Analysts and preparing reports for the Secretary General while keeping in touch with the Embassy Staff to coordinate the Chamber and the Embassy work schedule. The tasks I was given, and the daily work were in line with what agreed with my University supervisor who followed me from beginning to the end helping me and guiding me. The Internship was set with two objectives in mind. The first was acquiring sufficient knowledge on the concrete functioning of international trade and international markets. The second objective was learning how to work in an international environment where people with different cultures and different backgrounds all work together for a common purpose. Both objectives were fully achieved.

To sum up, this experience was a success both in terms of work and in terms of my University career because I had the concrete opportunity to test my preparation in an actual international working environment. My expectations were fully met.