



ESRN Career Symposium: Your PhD – What’s Next?

9-10 October 2018, University of Vienna

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ANNOUNCEMENT

What can I do with a PhD? Which jobs exist beyond academia and what does it take to get my favourite job? In 2018, the Career Symposium of the [Environmental Sciences Research Network](#) (ESRN) and the [Center for Doctoral Studies at the University of Vienna](#) aims at providing some answers. This Symposium is organised for PhD candidates and young postdocs that currently work in environmental sciences or have a great interest in environmental topics. It gives you the opportunity to meet representatives from different areas of work, inside and outside of academia, to discuss possible career paths for environmental scientists, to **strengthen your career development** and to **discover your marketable skills**.

9 October 2018: World Café: “Your PhD – What’s Next?” (open to all)

Participate in our World Café and exchange with experts such as:

- Maximilian Biwald, Magistratsdirektion Wien
- Oliver Dworak, Wirtschaftskammer Österreich, Energy and climate policy
- Andreas Gschöpf, Start-up Consultant INITS Universitäres Gründerservice GmbH
- Thilo Hofman, Head of ESRN, University of Vienna
- Peter Iwaniewicz, Federal Ministry of Sustainability and Tourism (BMNT)
- Fred Luks, Head of Competence Center for Sustainability, Vienna University of Economics and Business, author and blogger
- Susanne Weigelin-Schwiedrzik, ESRN and former Vice Rector, University of Vienna

10 October 2018: Workshop “Strategic Career Development”

(only for PhD candidates from ESRN member institutions*)

Additionally, 15 PhD candidates interested in environmental issues, who come from one of the active ESRN member institutions, are invited to apply for this workshop with coach [Ute Riedler](#) (in English).

Day 1 - World Café: Your PhD – What’s Next?

When?	Tuesday, 9 October 2018 , 16:00-19:30
Where?	Sky Lounge, University of Vienna, Oskar-Morgenstern-Platz 1
Who?	Open to all interested PhD candidates and early-stage postdocs** at the University of Vienna (no fee, max. 60 participants, please register online until 30 August 2018)

Preliminary Programme

15:45	Registration
16:00	Welcome and introduction by ESRN and the Center for Doctoral Studies, University of Vienna
16:30	World Café with experts from the fields of science, public administration, industry and the private sector, entrepreneurship and alternative careers. Further information
18:00	Presentation and discussion of results
19:00	Social get-together

Day 2 – Workshop with coach Ute Riedler (only for PhD candidates from ESRN member institutions*)

When?	Wednesday, 10 October 2018 , 9:00-17:00
Where?	DoktorandInnenzentrum, University of Vienna, 1090 Vienna
Who?	Max. 15 participants; only PhD candidates of active ESRN member institutions* of the University of Vienna are eligible to apply. Free of charge.

Workshop “Strategic Career Development” with coach [Ute Riedler](#)

In this workshop, we focus on strategic decisions you can make throughout your PhD time to foster your career. We talk about the skills needed to succeed, outside or inside academia, and reflect on areas of your personal development. We identify your own brand and analyse how the results of your academic work, your practice, teaching and personal skills, can be shown in your CV, within your scientific community and during job interviews. [Further information](#)

Would you like to participate?

Day 1 (open to all): For the World Café on 9 Oct, please [register online](#) indicating your PhD title and/or research topic **till 30 August 2018**.

Day 2 (max. 15 participants, only PhD candidates from ESRN member institutions*): To apply for the workshop on 10 Oct, please use the same [registration form](#) and **upload a short CV (1/2 page in English) till 30 August 2018**. Due to limited number of participants, we will have a selection procedure. Candidates will be grouped according to their discipline and selected drawing lots. Selected candidates will be informed by mid-September 2018.

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* **Active ESRN member institutions:** Faculty of Earth Sciences, Geography and Astronomy, Faculty of Life Sciences, Faculty of Physics, Faculty of Chemistry, Faculty of Social Sciences, Faculty of Philological and Cultural Studies, Research Network “Chemistry meets Microbiology”.

** **Early-stage postdocs:** max. 6 years postdoc experience (waiting periods such as maternity leave are excluded)