



## CALL FOR APPLICATION: Euraxess Online Seminar for Scientists in Exile for Professional Integration in Europe

A 4-day workshop dedicated to displaced Ph.D. holders from all fields residing in EU countries

Online  
May 19-22, 2025

In response to the challenges faced by researchers forced into exile due to global geopolitical crises, political, ethnic, or religious persecution, the "*Online Seminar for Scientists in Exile for Professional Integration in Europe*" was developed. With the increasing number of postdoctoral researchers and the prevalence of fixed-term contracts in a hyper-competitive environment, awareness of the opportunities in the non-academic job market and having alternative options can significantly enhance researchers' adaptability in today's dynamic professional landscape.

This is why Association Bernard Gregory - ABG, with the support of the European Union's Horizon Europe research and innovation program under the ERA TALENT Project, is organizing a seminar specifically for:

- Ph.D. holders / candidates in exile from all fields and nationalities, who are currently residing in EU countries and are hosted by any research institution or university
- Ph.D. holders who are unemployed or nearing the end of their research contract

This seminar, held in English, offers **interactive and collective workshops, hands-on application of tools, and peer exchanges over the 4 days**. It also includes **networking opportunities with company representatives**, providing a comprehensive approach to career development. That is why organizers seek motivated and committed participants.

This project is part of the [EURAXESS Science4Refugees Hub](#).

### GOALS

- exploring the job market and opportunities for Ph.D.s outside academia in Europe
- designing a career plan
- analyzing your previous experience and future goals regarding international mobility and planning the next steps
- taking stock of and illustrating your skillset
- developing and maintaining a professional network
- preparing for the recruitment process outside academia

**Draft Program** (see the attached document)

### **About ABG**

Association Bernard Gregory (ABG) is a French non-profit organization founded in 1980 with the mission of connecting Ph.D.s with companies. We assist Ph.D. candidates and holders in transitioning their careers beyond academia, enhance the recognition of PhD skills by companies, and support the recruitment of

doctorate holders. Over the past 15 years, we have expanded our activities to Europe (Belgium, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Poland, Spain, etc.) and North America (Canada, USA). Since 2017, ABG has been recognized as a Career Development Center by EURAXESS.

[www.abg.asso.fr/en/](http://www.abg.asso.fr/en/)

### **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

The seminar is open to:

**Researchers in exile from all fields and nationalities**, who are currently **residing in EU countries** and are hosted by any research institution or university who are:

- **Ph.D. candidates in their final year are also eligible;**
- **Ph.D. holders who are unemployed or nearing the end of their research contract;**
- **motivated to explore opportunities outside academia** and have a **good level of English** (at least B2).

The program is limited to 24 researchers, with a maximum of three participants per country of residence. To be eligible, researchers must **submit their CV, motivation e-mail / letter, and registration form** to [international@abg.asso.fr](mailto:international@abg.asso.fr).

Participants are selected based on their high motivation and the urgency of their professional situations, such as nearing the end of their current contract.

### **REGISTRATION AND SELECTION PROCEDURE**

Participation is free, but **participants are required to check their schedule before applying and ensure they can attend the entire seminar**. In the event of an emergency or if they are unable to attend, participants should inform the organizers (ABG) as soon as possible to allow for someone on the waiting list to take their place.

The application is made up of:

- a registration form (cf template)
- a CV (in English)
- an accompanying e-mail / letter in English: motivation and expectations, including a specific paragraph dedicated to the presentation of the participants' career goals and the European countries they are particularly interested in (**approx. 500 words**).

### **CALENDAR**

Call for applications opened as of:	September 30, 2024
<b>Application deadline</b>	<b>January 15, 2024</b>
Final selection and participation confirmation	January 31, 2025
<b>Workshop</b>	<b>May 19-22, 2025</b>
Sending of seminar materials and satisfaction survey	June, 2025

### **CONTACT**

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