

# PhD... what next?

## Which career path is right for me?

**Date:** October 12-13, 2021

**Venue:** H4 (Martensstr. 1, Erlangen)



Through this 2-day workshop you will get to know your personal career-wise significant skills better, as well as how to increase your career opportunities. The aim is to motivate you and support you in determining how and where you want to stand in your further professional life.

The coach of this workshop, Dr. Matthias Schwarzkopf, is specialized in workshops and coachings for young researchers. He is co-founder of the Career Counselling for Academics.

Oct 12,  
9:00 – 16:00

**How to become a professor – how to structure your career in Academia**

Oct 13,  
9:00 – 16:00

**How to find your job on the non-academic labor market**

Please register [here](#).

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## **Oct 12, 9-16:00 (Day1): „How to become a professor – how to structure your career in Academia“**

**Aim:** The participants know the structure of a scientific career in Germany, and how to increase their career opportunities during their doctorate and postdoc stage.

- The process of the appointment procedure and its expectations of applicants
- Pros and cons of career paths in the USA and UK in comparison to Germany
- Main criteria: publications, funding, teaching etc.
- Risks and challenges of an academic career and how to minimize them
- How to find the right supervisor or research group when becoming a postdoc
- Conclusion: What are my personal next steps precisely?

## **Oct 13, 9-16:00 (Day2): „How to find your job on the non academic labour market“**

**Aim:** Participants will determine their skills (technical and personal) and know how to find suitable jobs for them on the non-academic labour market.

- Meaning and significance of skills in general, and determining my personal skills
- Structure of the labor market for academics – in industry and public service
- How job seeking is subject to economic and regional trends
- Strategies for job seeking
- What are possible work areas in the industry for me
- Self-employment as an alternative
- Time management: When is the right time to look for alternatives to an academic career?