Job Transition Journey

Webinar: Job hunting for ECRs in non-academic sectors

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careers as a reference to follow the same steps for our career, but in fact we should create our own career path, not better or worse than others, just our own -----

My own career path

University/ PhD: Main modes of climate variability over Euro-Atlantic region

Research Institution: Climate Services arena

- Participation in national and international competitive projects
- Opportunity to work with different sectors: agriculture, renewable energy, health
- Lead a team of people

International Institution: Sectorial Technical officer

- Ensure the delivery of products relevant for specific sectors
- Ensure quality and availability of climate products within the scope of user requirements
- Ensure the scientifically sound of partners' deliveries

Sometimes you need a change in your career, but it is hard to take the step forward

Some of the more common symptoms are:

- Not sure if I would like to make science for my whole life
- Too much time devoted to work in the same topic
- Feel a lot of pressure for writing papers
- Too many tasks at the same time/ difficult to prioritise
- Needs of more action-oriented job
- Demotivation
- Find hard to accomplish some tasks
- Burn out

Sometimes even behind:

- Impostor Syndrome
- Insecurities
- Low self-esteem
- Procrastination
- Stress/Anxiety
- Negative loop

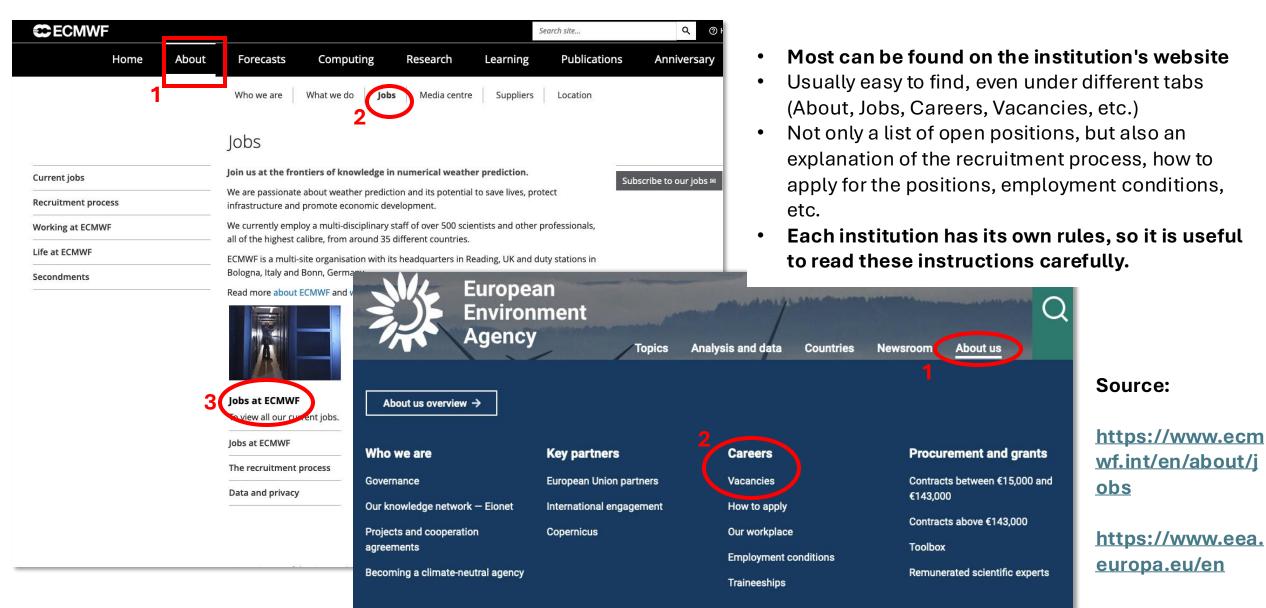
Moving from one job to another is always challenging and involves an internal personal process of setting priorities.

Stop, think and set your own priorities

- Stop and take some time to think about what you want to do.
- Make a list of the positive/negative aspects of your current job.
- Talk to colleagues who have changed jobs
- Talk to people who work in different jobs/positions
- Seek professional help if needed
- Think of the recruitment process as a learning process

Take action: Start a job search - Have you considered working for an international organization?

Where to find international organisations jobs?



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- Some of them allow you to set up alerts to receive new jobs on your e-
- Most of them give you the possibility to see the vacancies without
- You can get an idea of the job from the job title, but it is better to read the full description in case of

Source:

https://jobs.ecm wf.int/Home/Job

https://erecruit.w mo.int/public/

Tips application process

Before application

- Take the time to read the job description and requirements carefully before applying.
- Think carefully about how your profile matches the requirements based on your previous experience.
- The more requirements you can relate to your previous experience, the more chances you have to get to the interview stage.
- Pay attention to deadlines
- Start the application as soon as possible, you may need time to fulfill the form.

During application

- Most forms can be saved, so you do not have to fill them out all at once but can do so in stages.
- Keep your answers to the form as short as possible and be concise in the information you provide.
- Use the form to explain how you meet each requirement.
- Be honest, if there are some requirements you don't think you can meet, you can say so, but express your willingness to learn and the skills you have based on past experience to meet the requirements.
- Highlight not only your technical experience, but also your soft skills.

Make sure that you are receiving emails from the application system in your inbox and not in spam!

Tips Job Interviews

- If you get the interview, don't panic, it's an opportunity to interact with the institution and the people you want to work for.
- Think about how you can expand on what you have already included in the form and be prepared to answer specific questions.
- Be yourself at the interview and don't exaggerate your skills to make sure that if you get the job, you will be able to perform the tasks.
- Be confident in the interview, but don't overdo it. Honesty is highly valued, so if you don't know something, it's better to say so than to make it up.
- Use the interview as an opportunity to learn more about the institution you'll be working for, the job description, the responsibilities, etc. Bring a list of questions to ask during the interview.
- Enjoy and learn from the process

Some international organizations with climate job opportunities

- ECMWF European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts (https://www.ecmwf.int/en/about/jobs)
- EEA European Environment Agency (https://www.eea.europa.eu/en/about/careers/vacancies)
- JRC Joint Research Centre (https://joint-research-centre.ec.europa.eu/working-us/jobs-jrc_en)
- WMO World Meteorological Organisation (https://wmo.int/jobs)
- UN United Nations for Climate Change (https://unfccc.int/secretariat/employment/conditions-of-employment.html)
- UN United Nations for Convention to Combat Desertification (https://www.unccd.int/convention/opportunities/vacancies)

THANKS for listening!



Any questions?

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