

Forum EPFL



The EPFL Forum is **Europe's largest recruitment fair** organized by students. This year, it celebrates its 42nd anniversary from **October 7 to 11, 2024** at the SwissTech Convention Center, and remains entirely run by a committee of 20 students.

In addition to organizing the fair, the association prepares graduates and students throughout the year with lectures, mock interviews and CV corrections.

During the week, they have the chance to meet companies, take part in workshops, conferences, interviews and networking lunches.

The EPFL Forum helps students find their way into the workforce, and enables companies to identify their future talent. The main objective of the Forum is to facilitate these encounters in the best possible conditions.



2024 prospects



- 210 Companies
- 135 StartUps
- 20 NGOs & IGOs
- 2 900 Students enrolled
- 23 000 Visitors
- ISO 9001 and 14001 certification for a quality and sustainable management
- Partnership with The SeaCleaners to compensate our emissions



EPFL, a talent hub

EPFL is ranked 3rd in the QS Europe University Ranking 2024 and, along with ETHZ, is one of the two most renowned technical universities in Switzerland. EPFL has over 12,000 students, 60% of whom are international, representing more than 120 nationalities. Alumni include Didier Guzzoni, inventor of Siri, or Daniel Borel, founder of Logitech.

EPFL boasts a faculty that continues to grow in renown. A recent example is Maryna Viazovska, winner of the Fields Medal in 2022. The School, renowned for its cutting-edge research, is also brimming with a multitude of projects that continue to tackle topical issues, as demonstrated by the creation of the research and innovation center dedicated to AI, which aims to solve global problems such as access to healthcare or climate change.

The university is an important part of the region's economic landscape, which includes many multinationals, but also a major ecosystem of start-ups in its **Innovation Park**.

"Companies have success if they have access to talent and EPFL is a place where we produce talent"

Martin Vetterli, President of EPFL





Program of the week

Monday October 7th

Forum Get Ready: Last chance to prepare for the fair, with photo shoot, CV correction, breathing workshops. The day ends with the traditional keynote conference. **Company presentations**: Companies present themselves and make initial contact with students during the aperitif that follows.

Wednesday October 9th

NGO & IGO Day: Stand day for NGOs & IGOs.

Company presentations: The companies present themselves and have a first contact with the students at the cocktail that follows.

Tuesday October 8th

Start-Up Day: Stand day for StartUps. In addition, there's a Student Corner to pitch your entrepreneurial project in front of experts, and a Sustainability Corner for eco-responsible StartUps. The eloquence contest final will be held at the end of the day.

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Thursday October 10th - Friday October 11th

Corporate Stands: Classic corporate stand days.

Interview booths: Students selected through a booth meeting, a presentation or our CV database, will be invited for interviews.

Workshops: Activities in groups of 30-50. Students can work on concrete company projects, and the company can see how the students work.

Lunch meetings: Students can share lunch with company representatives.



Media Coverage



As Switzerland's largest recruitment fair, the EPFL Forum is often the subject of articles, interviews and radio broadcasts.

These include:

LE FIGARO étudiant, in 2022: "This Tuesday, October 4 is dedicated to start-ups. Some are the fruit of students' labors", highlighting the presence of start-ups recruiting on the EPFL campus.

20 minutes, in 2021: "L'emploi post-pandémie, entre flexibilité et recrutement virtuel", deals with post-Covid recruitment and presents the fair.

La RTS, in 2020: "Ouverture du Salon de recrutement Forum EPFL", presentation of the EPFL Forum and the measures taken to enable the event to be held face-to-face despite the health situation.

Le Temps, in 2020: "Les étudiants de l'EPFL ne connaissent (presque) pas la crise", an article on the measures taken to enable the event to be held face-to-face despite the health situation.

Bilan newspaper, in 2019: "Record edition for the EPFL Forum", general presentation of the event.

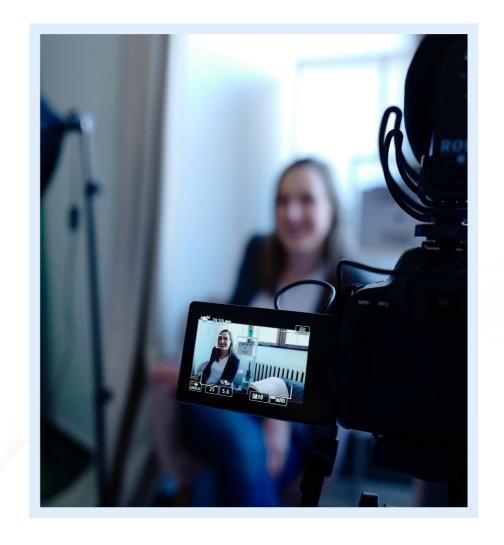


Some ideas for articles and reports

The EPFL Forum is a reflection of the Swiss job market. It brings together a multitude of economic players in a wide range of activities. It could therefore be approached from the following angles:

- Switzerland at the heart of innovation
- Inside the organization of a large-scale event by students
- Career opportunities after EPFL
- Portraits of students taking part in the Forum
- Interviews with company representatives and their recruitment objectives
- An overview of EPFL and its ecosystem, including the Innovation Park
- Students' and companies' views on the role a recruitment fair on campus can play
- The way in which the forum and its participants tackle current world issues

We are of course open to your different suggestions.





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