



Research Career Day

02 December 2025, 14:00–17:15 h

Veranstaltungszentrum RUB, level 04

Are you doing your doctorate and would like to know what a career in research means? Do you want to figure out if a research career is the right choice for you? The Research Career Day provides strategic knowledge and personal orientation about career perspectives, career paths and requirements for a career in research.

During this half-day event, you will get strategic input on the most important career aspects considering the broader scope of making a career at universities, non-university research institutions and universities of applied sciences. For a “reality check” and insights into decision making and career strategies you can exchange with experienced researchers from different research fields who share their knowledge. You will be most welcome to bring your questions, perspectives and understandings to the interactive discussions of the day.

The Research Career Day is aimed at doctoral researchers from all research areas at Ruhr-Universität Bochum, TU Dortmund University & the University of Duisburg-Essen.



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Programme for Tuesday, 02 December 2025

The Research Career Day provides knowledge and personal orientation for all doctoral researchers who would like to know more about a research career in Germany.

Venue: Veranstaltungszentrum RUB (mensa building), level 04

We offer this event in English to integrate all research areas and languages. The participation is free of charge.

Please register by 22 November:
<https://eveeno.com/rcd2025>

14:00 h

Welcome and Introduction to the day

Part I: Gaining Career Orientation

In this part of the programme we will touch basic questions of how to develop a career in research and will explore how to navigate through the career system at different kinds of (research) institutions.

We will discuss career paths and options, outline the most important career stages and point out to different career goals. Together with you and the experienced researchers we will discuss:

- career goals
- career steps
- career paths & options
- institutional frameworks & conditions

Part II: Developing an academic profile

In this part of the programme we will highlight important career factors and requirements for making a career in research. We will also address career strategies to deal with career decisions and demands and will reflect upon personal motivations to follow a research career. You will be supported to develop your own understanding of:

- career requirements
- explicit and implicit career factors
- career strategies
- personal motivations & decisions to make a research career

Part III: Meet the experienced researchers to ask your personal questions

17:15 h End and emptying drinks & snacks

<https://www.research-academy-ruhr.de/programm/research-career-day.html.en>

