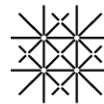




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Science and Policy Mentoring: Careers in Science or Policy, or both?

Coordination: Luisa Last (PSC), diverse guests

Location: ETH Zentrum

Dates: 20.09; 11.10; 25.10; 08.11; 22.11; 06.12; (17:00 to 20:00 pm)

Credit Points: 1 ECTS

Course Objectives

This course offers a perspective on possible career paths at the interface of science with policy. It is structured as input-talks, followed by discussion rounds. Recent graduates also from the PSC PhD program “Science and Policy” as well as more mature professionals will be invited, representing career paths in government, politics, NGOs or private companies. In the discussions, we will elaborate with the speakers what kind of skills, experiences and qualities are sought in the respective sector. Moreover, how their responsibilities, impact and working day looks like. The participants prepare by researching the institutions and preparing questions in advance for the speakers. Moreover, they will have the chance for networking.

Prior Knowledge: Not necessary.

Individual Performance and Assessment: Be the host of one invited guest (i.e. preparation of interesting questions and moderation of the discussion in small groups for one evening), attendance and active participation in all discussions.

Number of Participants: Participation is limited to 20 persons.

Registration: <https://spsw.registration.ethz.ch/>

Guest speakers: Simon Briner (**Federal Office for Agriculture FOAG**); Franziska Humair (**Federal Office for the Environment FOEN**); Claudia Boelter (**KWS SAAT AG**); Sabine Perch-Nielsen (**Ernst Basler + Partner**); François Meienberg (**Berne Declaration**); Friedrich Wulf (**Pro Natura, Friends of the Earth**); Dominik Klauser (**Syngenta Foundation**); Eva Spehn (**Swiss Academy of Sciences SCNAT**); Michele Garfinkel (**European Molecular Biology Organization EMBO**); Thomas Marty (**Berinfor AG**); Mike Hoffmann (**International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources - IUCN**) and Claude Garcia (ETHZ, Agricultural Research Centre for International Development CIRAD).