Mentoring Forum EFPL Alumni 2022

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Mentoring Program
Master 2022

- 5th edition of the program
  - Partnership Forum EPFL – EPFL ALUMNI
  - EPFL Alumni Mentors support EPFL Students Mentees
FORUM EPFL - Who are we?

Biggest recruitment fair in Europe

- 160 companies
- 110 startups
- 2200 registered students

Take advantage of events organized throughout the year to help you prepare for your professional career!

- Conferences (“Craft an effective CV”, “How to have a successful Forum”)
- Workshops (job interview simulation, CV correction, motivation letter correction)
- Career counseling

Relevant dates

- March 14th - registrations opening
- April 11th - 14th - Skills Week 1
- 3rd to 7th of October - Forum
EPFL Alumni – who are we?

**Mission**
- Provide Alumni with an exclusive and international network, life long services and bond to EPFL
- Engage Alumni to support EPFL and its development

- **School Department**
  - since 2014
  - Team of 6
  - +180 Events each year

- **Database**
  - +37’000 Alumni
  - +1700 new graduates every year

- **Magazines**

- **Newsletters**

- **Social Networks**

- **Career & Recruiting**

- **Start up & Innovation**
EPFL Alumni – Forum Mentoring Program

→ Culture, Community, Support, Success, Give back
What is mentoring?

“professional relationship in which an experienced person (the mentor) assists another (the mentee) in developing specific skills and knowledge that will enhance the less-experienced person’s professional and personal growth”
What do students want or need?

«Should I start a PHD? What career will make me happy? How to combine life goals with this career?»

«J’aimerais pouvoir être conseillée sur le type de master, le pays et l’université où le faire et sur les débouchés…»

«Ideally I would like to do my master thesis in the US but I am also open to work abroad in a multinational company»

«What company/industry should I choose? How can they choose me?»

«I hope someone working in finance could help me with my struggles in orientation»

Career path, PhD/education, Expatriation, Technical vs Business, Job/internship techniques
Charter, principles, guidelines

- Voluntary and mutual commitment of both the mentor and the mentee
- Estimated 1-2h per month from April 2022 to December 2022

- Mutual trust and respect
- Confidentiality

**Be careful**
- Not a 1 time, transactional, life is not a one shot game
- Mentor not here to provide a job/internship, no obligation vs network
- Serious – motivation paragraph as selection to make sure engaged
4th edition – 252 relationships from May to October

Mentees' profile

Mentors' top locations:
1. Switzerland
2. France
3. UK
4. Canada
5. USA
6. Germany
Satisfaction

- On average **88.8%** considered they had a good or excellent match

- **Mentors**
  - 4.3★
  - Evaluation moyenne

- **Mentees**
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- ▪ **6%** (Very dissatisfied)
- ▪ **6%** (Somewhat dissatisfied)
- ▪ **13%** (Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied)
- ▪ **32%** (Rather satisfied)
- ▪ **52%** (Very satisfied)

- **~89%** would recommend the program!
# Concrete impacts for mentees

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<th>Impact</th>
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<td>It allowed me to obtain information on the sector/company/continuing education I am interested in</td>
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<td>It allowed me to obtain information on good job search practices</td>
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<td>It helped me to gain self-confidence</td>
<td>48%</td>
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<td>It allowed me to develop my network</td>
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<td>It facilitated my professional integration and/or enabled me to find a job</td>
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<td>It allowed me to get (a) job interview(s)</td>
<td>8%</td>
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Testimonials

- Gabrielle Saint-Girons (MSc MT ongoing)
- Emma Vernizeau (MSc CGC ongoing)
Mentoring Program Master 2022: Milestones

Information: 01.03
Registration: 01.03-08.03
Pairing
Confirmation & Invitation: 04.04
Kickoff: 13.04
Learn & Network 18.05
Closing ceremony: 07.12

Complete the online form
Contact your Mentor & Register for the Kickoff
Meet your Mentor & Network
Conclusion & next steps

- Great opportunity… can change your life! Tell your friends about it 😊

- Works great when both sides are engaged…
  - Only sign up if you are serious, need help/advice and if you can make the time
  - Make the most out of this relationship – not a one shot!

If you are interested…
- Check our webpage: [https://www.epflalumni.ch/forum-epfl-alumni-mentoring-program-master/](https://www.epflalumni.ch/forum-epfl-alumni-mentoring-program-master/)
  OR scan the QR code
- Register by completing the Google form carefully
- Wait for the pairing confirmation & introduction email (04/04)
- Save the date: Kickoff evening on the 13th of April
Thank you

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