

*Willing to know what
happened during the Career
Fair at*



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Introduction

- This event was organized with the *OBJECTIF* of giving a **first vision of the job market** to future young graduates to let them **be better prepared to face the challenge**

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- To do so, the day was organized in 3 KEY moments:
 1. **Meeting alumni** of the same educational programmes that witness about how this period of job seeking was for them
 2. Getting the point from **employers**: What are the needed skills on young graduates?
 3. Showing another more unusual but possible way to get a job: being your own employer. **Young entrepreneurs** partake of their adventure on creating their own activity

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- In order to make this opportunity available to those who couldn't be able to come we launched an ***e-discussion*** to get their opinions and feed back about the issue of **employability**
- These exchanges gave an excellent foreword to the event, see the article and the whole discussion here:

[Are you ready for the job market ?](#)

Who was the audience?



- 22 students from [AgrisMundus](#)
 - Sustainable development in agriculture **Master of Science (120 ECTS)**
- 14 students from [AgTrain](#)
 - Agricultural Transformation by Innovation world-class **Joint Doctoral Programme (180 ECTS)**
- 8 Young professionals from [YPARD](#)
 - **Young professionals for agricultural development: Global platform** through which young professionals (under 40) can express their ideas and realize their full potential towards dynamic agricultural development

And people from all over the world

A word cloud featuring various countries and nationalities. The words are written in different colors and orientations, creating a dynamic and colorful composition. The most prominent word is 'Germany', written in a large, dark red font. Other significant words include 'Mexico' in dark red, 'Tunisie' in green, and 'Spain' in orange. Smaller words include 'Ukrain', 'Dominican', 'States', 'Britain', 'Jordan', 'Nicaragua', 'United', 'Colombia', 'Macedonia', 'Croatia', 'Serbia', 'Great', 'Holland', 'Brasil', 'Guatemala', 'Thailand', 'Republic', 'France', 'Canada', 'Switzerland', 'Peru', 'Ethiopia', and 'Austria'.

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Who were the invited Alumni?



Gabriele Sutera (Italy)

Agronomist for an NGO (Nepal)



Mariola Acosta (Spain)

PhD candidate from Wageningen University on gender approach into climate smart agriculture (Uganda)



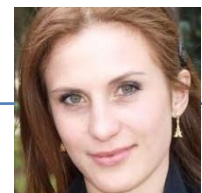
Linda Mendez (Nicaragua)

Consultant for the Environmental Defense Fund (USA)



Proyuth Ly (Cambodia)

Project manager for UNDP (Cambodge)



Marta Panco (Moldova)

Job seeker

Who were the employers speaking?

- IFAD: Anne Laure Roy
- People in need: Jan Svitálek and Petra Weissová (HR)
- Myelen: Tomas Hes
- Superior: Nebojsa Dinovic
- GRET: Damien Lagandre



Who were the young entrepreneurs?

- Petr Jiskra: [We deliver taste](#)
- [Pavlos Georgiadis](#): Good Food Good farming
- Global Agroecology alliance: [GAEA](#)

What were the main messages coming from the debates?

- **Focus your job seek**
 - Define your professional project → *Would a PhD help you to attain it ? Then go for it*
 - Establish your targets and get ready → *ex: know the acronyms*
 - Find your own way to achieve them → *ex: improve your “searchability” through social media*
- **Acquire experience !** No matter the material or economic conditions, catch the opportunity ! → *Go to the field*
- **Technical knowledge IS A MUST** but... it will not make the difference. Strengthen your **soft skills** they can make you → *stand out of the crowd*

As a conclusion:

- *You are young*

Flexible

Innovative

Open minded

Able to learn

Able to collaborate

Take advantage of it ...

Cause employers,

They



YOUTH