



CARE Online Talk

Country in focus: France

Labour market integration of researchers with refugee background. Support in and outside of academia: lessons learned, needs and future goals.

When: 4 September 2020, from 15.00 to 16.00 CEST

Registration link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwpd-2hqTspG9XhSaWAJBV60oRAS1gGhMad>

The main goals of the event

- *Share concrete examples of how the target group can obtain support for their research in and outside of academia: what works, what doesn't work?*
- *Discuss challenges (short and long-term) and potential ways to overcome them: what is needed (beyond funding)?*
- *Propose potential actions and initiatives at national and European level that could help researchers and organisations/institutions willing to support them: how to cooperate?*
- *Reflect on "alternative" pathways and support for the target group beyond the "mainstream" support structures: small-scale actions that count?*

Speakers

- **Melike Riollet, Association Bernard Gregory (ABG)**

French research labour market landscape - available support for researchers with refugee background/at risk and matchmaking with employers outside academia

- **Mathieu Schneider, University of Strasbourg/MEnS network**

*French HEIs in support of researchers with refugee background/at risk – from academic to practical and administrative matters (**national and institutional**)*

- **Mohammed Meri, University of Strasbourg**

Succeeding as a researcher in France: support in place and further support needed

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About the speakers

Melike Riollet - Training & International Project Manager at Association Bernard Gregory



Melike Riollet earned her PhD degree in sociology from EHESS Paris. She took part in scientific and policy-related projects in partnership with EDF R&D, IDDRI Institute for Sustainable Development & International Relations and ADEME French Environment & Energy Management Agency. Before joining ABG, a non-profit organization specialized in recruitment and career development for PhDs, she worked for 2 years as a postdoctoral researcher and lecturer. In her current job, in

addition to her international background, she brings her dual experience in academic and private research to PhD candidates and holders in France and Europe, to help their career development.

Mathieu Schneider - University of Strasbourg/MEnS Network



Dr. Mathieu Schneider is Associate Professor in history of music and, since 2014, vice-president of the University of Strasbourg. Taught in France and Germany, he is an acknowledged expert for culture and arts in France and is member of various committees for funding arts, evaluating curricula in arts and culture. He is committed to social and societal issues in his university, such as diversity, inclusion and especially that of refugee students and researchers at risk. He launched a teaching and accompanying program for refugees at the University of Strasbourg and created in 2017 MEnS, the French network of

universities engaged for refugees. This network has over 40 members and launched, together with the French Ministry for Higher Education, a national degree for refugees that includes study grants.

Mohammed Meri - University of Strasbourg



PHD (University of Strasbourg 1988); Researcher at the University of Strasbourg - Sage Laboratory (September 2018 - Present). Former professor at the University of Damascus / Syria and the University of Gaziantep / Turkey. Author of more than 25 books and 30 scientific articles published in international journals on the subject of (HRM, competencies / talent management, sociology of work and organizations, training engineering, capacity building, socio-economic integration of migration / refugees in the labor market, multicultural

management, organizational & institutional development, entrepreneurship, social innovation).etc.). Ex-expert & international trainer in (10) consulting projects with international companies, promoter of several socio-economic integration projects of migrants / refugees in France and in Europe.