

Corporate Responsibility Research Conference 2025

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PhD WORKSHOP

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15.00 **Welcome and Topic 1: Overcoming PhD problems**

(William, Elise, Gauri & Sara)

Each person writes down the issues, concerns or problems that need to be overcome as part of their PhD. These could be anything from:

- Practical issues regarding data collection (e.g. where to start or when to stop) or getting the feedback from supervisors.
- Content related concerns associated with acquiring the substantive knowledge needed to understand relevant field of enquiry.
- Process worries related to the time it is taking to complete certain aspects of the research.
- Even methodological worries can be discussed!
- Anything related to your PhD can be discussed.

15.05 Organise into groups of 5-6 people & introductions.

- Discuss within each group how to overcome one problem from each person & develop 2-3 questions for the panel.

15.40 Questions to the panel.

16:15 Break.

16:45 **Topic 2: Establishing a career in academia**

(Frank, Elise, Gauri, Sara & Ralf)

- Panel followed by interactive discussion
- Factors used in academia to choose new colleagues
- Career building strategies
- Similarities and differences across institutions, disciplines and countries

18:00 Close

18.00 Dinner at ESCP Montparnasse
