



# The EPIC Science Slam

EPICUR Forum: Building a European University  
University of Freiburg: September 14, 7:00pm CET

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Are you passionate about your research and sharing your findings  
with scholars, students and societal stakeholders?

## WANTED: Early Career Researchers

EPICUR invites young scholars (late PhDs / PostDocs) from our partner universities and beyond to present their research interests and current research projects related to **Migration / Mobility / Identity** or **Sustainability** to an international audience of students, researchers and societal stakeholders at the annual **EPICUR Forum** on “Building a European University”, **September 14 to 16, 2022 in Freiburg**.

Bringing together Freiburg-based scholars with early career researchers from around the world, the **EPIC Science Slam** will be a unique opportunity to connect with like-minded peers from partner universities and international research institutions. Selected participants will participate in a specifically crafted supporting programme from **September 13 -14<sup>th</sup>**, with the EPIC Science Slam taking place on the evening of the 14<sup>th</sup>.

## Thematic Focus: Migration / Mobility / Identity or Sustainability

The increased mobility and migration both within and into Europe significantly change our societies as much as our collective and individual identities. Therefore, research related to **Migration/Mobility/Identity** in the broadest sense may encompass refugee movements, disparities of economic and social status, cultural change and exchange, interculturality, multilingualism, common histories and social theory etc. Developing a shared identity and values is also a prerequisite for the proper functioning of social and political institutions all over Europe and beyond.

Finding solutions and roadmaps towards renewable and affordable energy systems is just one of the challenges covered under the umbrella of EPICUR's focus on **Sustainability**. Contributions may address anything from ecosystem management, circular economies with reduced industrial pollution, smart building and transportation systems, to new materials and societal transitions. Tackling the climate crisis and adopting a more sustainable way of living should also draw on themes of intra- and intergenerational justice as well as the core values of EPICUR on equality, diversity and inclusion.

## Benefits and Programme for Selected Science Slammers

The selected Slammers will be invited to Freiburg from September 13 -14, 2022 to attend a supporting programme which includes a virtual workshop on how to “slam” professionally in the weeks leading up to the science slam, as well as on-site workshops and networking activities hosted by our local career advancement office. These on-site workshops and activities will focus on the German research ecosystem, the chances and possibilities in EPICUR as well as other interesting topics for this transitional phase in the careers of young scholars.

In addition, Slammers are invited to attend the EPICUR Forum, which will include workshops and panel discussions on Education and Research within the European University Alliances. Financial support for travel and accommodation is available to all selected participants.

## Application & Selection

No previous experience with Science Slams is required, participants will receive training prior to the event. For those interested in the EPIC Science Slam, please send us a short abstract (max. 300 words) about your research related to one of the thematic focuses mentioned above, as well as a short biography of no more than 150 words. You may also send a short video clip or animated PPT instead.

Applications need to be sent by **July 15** to [epicur-research@mail.uni-freiburg.de](mailto:epicur-research@mail.uni-freiburg.de). Selected Slammers will receive a reply by July 31 at the latest. We look forward to receiving your application!

