# **Instructions for Doctoral Researchers**

## 2025 Industry Connect Matchmaking

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#### **Preparation**

- Prepare Your CV: Be ready to share your CV. A quick way is to use your LinkedIn QR code:
  - o Open the LinkedIn App and go to the Search bar (with magnifying glass).
  - o On the right side of the search bar, you'll see a small QR code icon. Tap it to view your personal LinkedIn QR code.
  - From this screen, you can download the QR code to your phone, take a screen shot, or share it directly with others.
- **Define Your Goals:** Consider what you aim to gain from the event. Exploring industry applications for your research area, insights into key skills for employment, or learn about specific career opportunities? Clear goals help guide your conversations.
- **Review Company Profiles:** Visit company websites to learn about their products, areas of expertise, and potential roles for doctoral graduates. Think about how your expertise could be valuable to the companies.
- **Be Ready to Discuss Your Research Area and Skills:** Prepare to talk about how your research area benefits industry, and how your doctoral training equips you with relevant skills.

### **Group Matchmaking**

You'll receive group details at the venue.

You'll meet with two companies in 20-minute rotations. Based on the company's priorities (photonics vs. quantum vs. microelectronics), we have divided the groups in advance. You can meet other companies during the free matchmaking session.

#### **Free Matchmaking**

After the group matchmaking sessions, you'll have 60 minutes of open networking time. Approximately 20 company representatives will be present. Use this time to connect with companies or peers you found especially relevant. It's a great opportunity to build personal connections that support your academic and career goals.