

Dear PhD students,

JEC World, the leading international composite show happening in Paris in 12-13-14 March 2019, is happy to announce the second edition of a Composites Challenge session led by Academics for Industrials: *Creating the link from Research to Industry*.

This session will take place on Wednesday 13th of March and will give the opportunity to 10 PhD students (in an advanced stage) from different universities to pitch their thesis in front of industrials that are leading the composite industry.

The task of the PhD students will be to prepare a presentation as clear as possible for a five minutes pitch with only one slide. Two winners will be designated: by the audience and by a jury composed of industrials. The two students will be offered a VIP pass for JEC World 2020 as well as a “French dinner” in Paris for two persons.

After the presentations, the opportunity will be given to industrials to come and discuss with PhD students. Posters explaining briefly their research will be installed on the show and two poster sessions will be organised on 13th and 14th March to allow more discussions between industrials and the PhDs.

We are looking for PhD students in applied fields such as: composite processing; micro-macro properties improvement; natural fibres; additive manufacturing; nano-enhanced composites; hybrid composites; smart composites; braiding; weaving; various modelling etc... PhD students that are in partnership with industries are more than welcome but need the approval of their financing company in advance.

In addition to the pitch, PhD students will be asked to be spotters by highlighting some key innovations present on JEC World 2019, taking pictures and providing short descriptions. Their eyes as young scientists are very valuable for such exercise! More information will be given at the show.

The program will be as follows:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
10 a.m.		Show tour	Keynote innovation	
11 a.m.		Start-up booster	Composites challenge	Poster Session
1 p.m.		JEC spotter program	JEC spotter program	JEC spotter program
3 p.m.		program	Poster session	
5 p.m.		Pitch rehearsal	Innovation awards	Show visit and return home
Evening	Welcome dinner	VIP party	Exhibitors party	

Travel costs are supported up to 300 € by JEC World, the rest needs to be supported by the lab of the PhD. Otherwise, all costs during the show will be covered by JEC World (hotel, food at noon, entrance to the show and to conferences, VIP and Exhibitors party).

If you are confident with presentations and want to be part of a great experience, please fill in the following form, send it back to us at composites-challenge@jeccomposites.com together with a motivation letter and a small video (max. 60 seconds of you presenting your research).

For any questions, do not hesitate to contact us (composites-challenge@jeccomposites.com).

Looking forward to your application,

Anne-Carole Barbarin and Amaël Cohades



General Information

First Name:

Last Name:

University Name:

Country:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

University Logo:

Picture of you:

Major theme of your research (max. 3 sentences):

Categories of your research (leave empty if it does not apply):



Research Abstract (max. 300 words):

