

## What is MEP4ECS?

MEP4ECS is an immersive simulation of the European Parliament designed for Early Career (Geo)Scientists who are interested in engaging at the science-policy interface. Developed through an EGU Special Activity Funds call, the initiative aims to strengthen the capacity of early career researchers to translate scientific knowledge into policy-relevant dialogue. Participants will experience how European climate and environmental policies are debated, negotiated, and shaped.

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# MODEL EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT *for* EARLY CAREER SCIENTISTS



## What to Expect

Over two and a half days, participants will:

- Take part in a structured European Parliament simulation
- Assume institutional and political roles
- Debate and negotiate policy proposals
- Translate scientific evidence into policy language
- Engage in committee-style discussions and plenary exchanges
- Visit the European Parliament

The programme combines interactive training, collaborative learning, and practical policy engagement.

## Who Is It For?

Early Career Scientist who:

- Are European Geoscience Union Members
- Qualify as Early Career Scientist under EGU definition (max 7 years after highest degree)
- Work in geosciences or related environmental disciplines
- Have a strong interest in climate and environmental policy
- Are motivated to engage in a hands-on science-policy simulation
- Have good working proficiency in English

The programme welcomes participants from diverse backgrounds and encourages inclusive representation across disciplines and career paths.

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## Participation & Grants

Thanks to the support of EGU, partial participation grants are available. The grant is partial and includes:

- Accommodation in a shared room for the duration of the programme
- All training activities
- Educational and simulation materials
- Participation fees

Please note that travel costs and additional personal expenses are not fully covered.

## Why Join?

MEP4ECS offers a unique opportunity to:

- Develop science-policy communication skills
- Strengthen negotiation and collaborative competences
- Understand European legislative dynamics
- Expand professional networks
- Position research within a broader societal and policy context

This is a space for early career researchers who are ready to move from generating knowledge to shaping conversations that matter.

