

AGI-Early Careers Network Geospatial Recruitment Trilogy

Event 1 Tips for Climbing the Job Ladder – 28 January 2021

Keynote speaker, Jon Graham, Business Development Manager at Triad Group Plc, provided an overview of current trends in the geospatial jobs market as well as advice on how to approach employers and 'stand out' as an early career professional.

Following the keynote, our attendees joined break-out discussions led by recruitment experts, including Ruth Osgood, Laura Isom and Alex Wharton. Discussion topics ranged from developing LinkedIn profiles, effective interview techniques, CV & cover letter writing and making the most of networking.

As Jon taught us, always remember your chances of success are down to you. Don't be afraid of failure and set yourself off on the best foot putting your maximum effort into the job search, present yourself at your best and work on your application following all the top tips Jon shared with us.

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Event 2 Public Sector Panel Discussions – 4 February 2021

The second event in this trilogy focused on public sector recruitment with a panel of speakers. The panel answered questions on the benefits of working in the public sector, how to approach the job search and applications as well as discussing the current jobs market in the public sector geospatial industry.

Thank you to our panellists:

Abigail Page - Head of Innovation of Skills, Geospatial Commission
Sara Babahami - Science and Engineering Fast Stream, Geospatial Commission
Ian Maxfield - Deputy Head of Geographic Intelligence, NHS England
Mark Williams - Local Plan Lead, New Forest District Council
Darren Weeks - Talent and Recruitment Partner, ONS

Key message: The public sector has a commonality across the sector to improve life across the UK, creating a collaborative environment driven by creating change. For the best chance of success, push yourself where you can and always read the job description!

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Event 3 Private Sector Panel Discussions – 11 February 2021

The third event in this trilogy focused on private sector recruitment with a panel of speakers. The panel answered questions on the benefits of working in the private sector, how to approach the job search and applications as well as discussing the current jobs market in the private sector geospatial industry.

Thank you to our panellists:

Zoe Taylor - Senior Consultant, Esri UK
Jon Graham - Business Development Manager, Triad Group Plc
Dan Saunders - Head of Product, Basemap
Claire Owen - Co-Founder, DronePrep
Steve Wagstaff - Senior GIS Specialist, Thomson Environmental

Key message: The private sector gives great flexibility with freedom to express yourself within a range of innovative roles. Our panel taught us that very few people know exactly what they want to do in their careers during these early stages. If that is the case experience is key and at least you will find out what it is that you don't want to do. Keep trying, keep learning and keep changing until you find out what is you want to do.

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