

PhD Year 4

# Job market

- Job market starts in one year or so. You should have a clear plan for your JM package
- Present your work, get feedback
- Come to campus, interact with peers and profs, attend seminars

## Sixth year

- Not funded by the program
- Some funding opportunities within HEC (Hi!Paris, S&O, professors' external grants, etc.) but limited, competitive, and topic specific
- Statistics from past three years:
  - ▶ 50% of students did a 6th year
  - ▶ Two-third of 6th-year students got some funding from HEC
- Alternative funding: external grants, TA/RA, personal savings and loans

## Q from Student Reps

- What is the completion rate of the program?
- Y1  $\rightarrow$  Y2: 100%
- Y2  $\rightarrow$  Y3: 91% (29 students progressed, 1 quit, 2 graduated from master but failed to progress)
- Y3  $\rightarrow$  thesis defense: 94% (29 students defended, 1 quit, 1 failed)

# Conference budget

- 2 conferences funded (max €4,000)
- Eligible: Paper presentation at top international conference

# Calls for project

- Funded by GREGHEC and EUR (public funding)
- 3–4 calls per year
- Eligible: Research expenses (data, experiments, etc.); summer schools; conference presentation (if budget exhausted)
- Not automatic (limited budget). Priority for essential research expenses; for students close to job market; and for those not previously funded

# Academic visit

- Possible to visit another university
- Financial support: travel + visiting scholarship
- Duration: few weeks to full academic year
- Most common: year before job market (Y4 or Y5)
- Consult advisor to identify opportunities; fruitful only if invited by professor interested in your research

## Mini-defense

- Research presentation in June to advisor + at least 2 other profs
- Progress report: achievements and remaining tasks
- Opportunity to get feedback (not only from advisor)