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2021 EPSO SPECIALIST COMPETITIONS INFORMATION WEBCAST



TODAY'S SPEAKER

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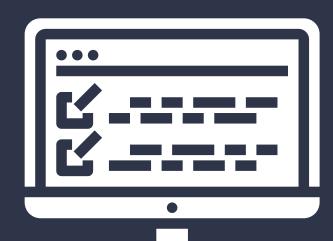




TEST PACKAGES



25,000+ Question Database



Over 17 Million

Questions Used















APPLY BEFORE 13 April 2021

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APPLY BEFORE 20 April 2021







- Must have EU citizenship
- Completed military service requirements
- Meet the character requirements of the job

LANGUAGE RULES

LANGUAGE 1

Any of the 24 official EU languages (minimum C1 level)

LANGUAGE 2

Must be English <u>OR</u> French (minimum B2 level)

LANGUAGE 1 & 2 MUST BE DIFFERENT!



Completed university studies of at least 4 years with a diploma in either chemistry, chemical engineering, mineralogy, mining, toxicology, ecotoxicology, biology, environmental studies, human or veterinary medicine, pharmacology, <u>OR</u> by a diploma in another subject directly relevant to the nature of the duties.

<u>PLUS</u> a minimum of 3 years professional experience in the field of chemicals.

OR

Completed university studies of at least 3 years with a diploma in either chemistry, chemical engineering, mineralogy, mining, toxicology, ecotoxicology, biology, environmental studies, human or veterinary medicine, pharmacology, <u>OR</u> by a diploma in another subject directly relevant to the nature of the duties.

PLUS a minimum of 4 years professional experience in the field of chemicals.

Post-secondary education with a diploma in either a technical field (such as engineering, industrial engineering, electro mechanics), <u>OR</u> in the field of natural or applied sciences (such as nuclear physics, nuclear chemistry, radiation protection, radiobiology, physics, chemistry).

PLUS a minimum of 3 years professional experience, of which 2 years must be related to nuclear physics, nuclear chemistry, radiation protection, radiobiology, physics, chemistry, engineering, OR any other relevant discipline in a technical field or the applied sciences, acquired in the nuclear industry, a nuclear research centre, a national/international public body, or in another appropriate area.

OR

Secondary, general or technical education attested by a diploma giving access to post-secondary education.

<u>PLUS</u> a minimum of 6 years professional experience in a relevant field, of which 2 years must be related to nuclear physics, nuclear chemistry, radiation protection, radiobiology, physics, chemistry, engineering, OR any other relevant discipline in a technical field or the applied sciences, acquired in the nuclear industry, a nuclear research centre, a national/international public body, or in another appropriate area.



Attractive Salaries



Good Benefits









STEP ONE

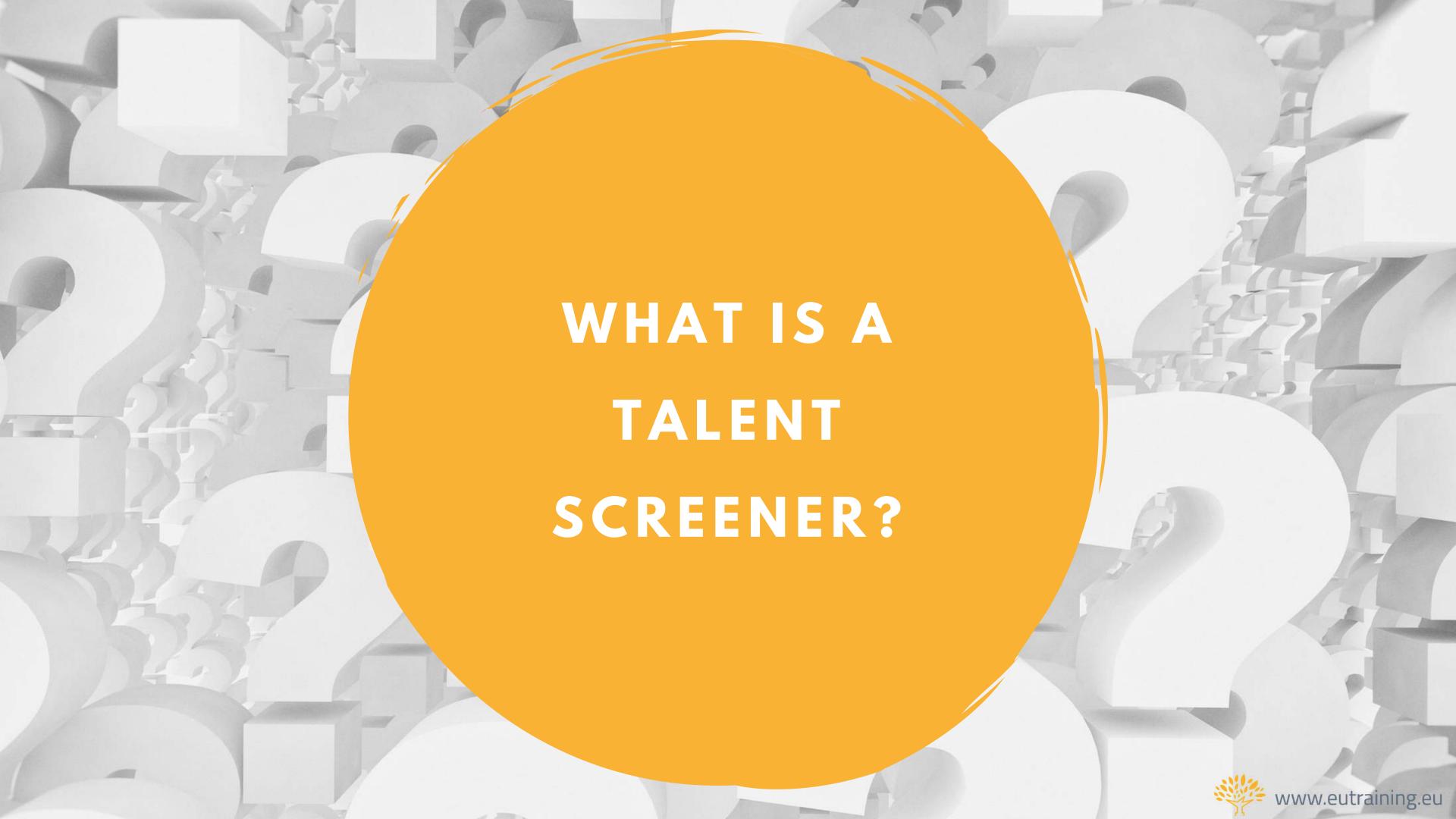
APPLICATION PROCESS

- Eligibility declaration
- Pick your Language 1 & 2
- Application can be submitted in any of the 24 EU languages
- BUT the Talent Screener needs to be in either English OR French.

VALIDATE BY APPLICATION DEADLINE!











A FEW TIPS...

Try to answer 'YES' as much as possible, but only if you can back it up with truthful and relevant information.

Provide lots of valuable information, but give only relevant and meaningful answers. Leave out space fillers.

Concrete vs. Abstract answers.

Scores are based on hard
evidence - facts, figures,
places and dates.

Do not copy-paste previous answers. You can use the same experience again if you can manage to present it from a different angle than before.



A FEW TIPS...

Readability and clear communication will influence your assessors' understanding of your professional background:

- Use a structured layout with bullet points.
- Clear references.
- Short but to-the-point descriptions.

EU institutions and EPSO are formal and terminology-driven.

Learn the lingo and use it.

What's in it for them...make sure to link your personal background and work experience with the needs of the EU or institution you are applying to.

If you want to write a stellar
Talent Screener view this
webinar recording:
"Everything You Need To Know
About EPSO's Talent Screener"







STEP TWO

PRE-SELECTION CBT EXAM



Verbal Reasoning



Numerical Reasoning



Abstract Reasoning

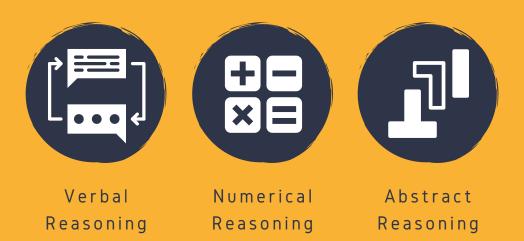






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PRE-SELECTION CBT EXAM



*May be held at the <u>Assessment Centre</u> if candidate applications do not exceed a certain threshold.





VERBAL REASONING

Language 1

Questions

20

Minutes

35

Text Passage

Question

Four Statements

One Correct Answer

Outside Information

Generalisations

Possibility vs. Fact

Similar Wording



NUMERICAL REASONING

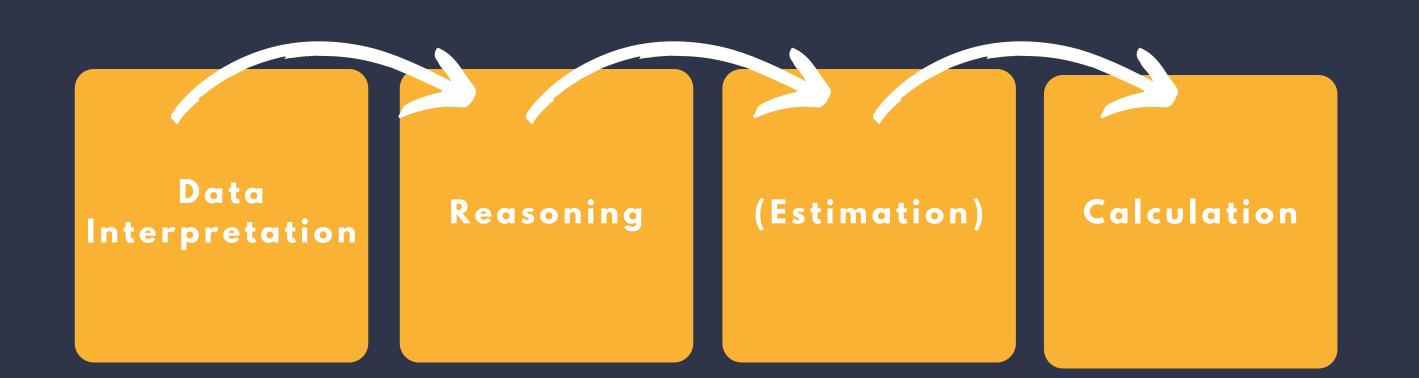
Language 1

Questions

10

Minutes

20







ABSTRACT REASONING

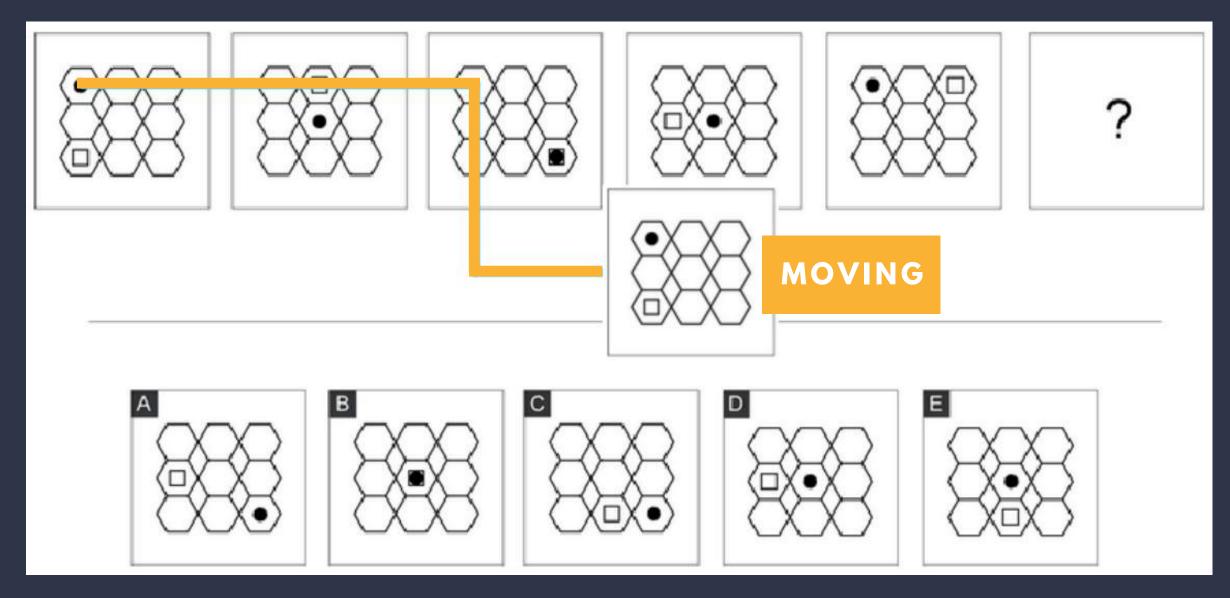
Language

Questions

10

Minutes

10





CBT SCORING

Pass Mark: 10/20

VERBAL REASONING 0/20 Pass Mark: COMBINED 10/20

NUMERICAL REASONING 0/10 ABSTRACT REASONING 0/10

PASS MARK IS NOT ENOUGH!

Need to get one of the highest marks overall to make it to the next stage of the competition.



STEP THREE

TALENT SCREENER REVIEW

Those who got the highest scores in the computer-based tests and make it through the Eligibility Check will have their Talent Screener reviewed.



STEP FOUR

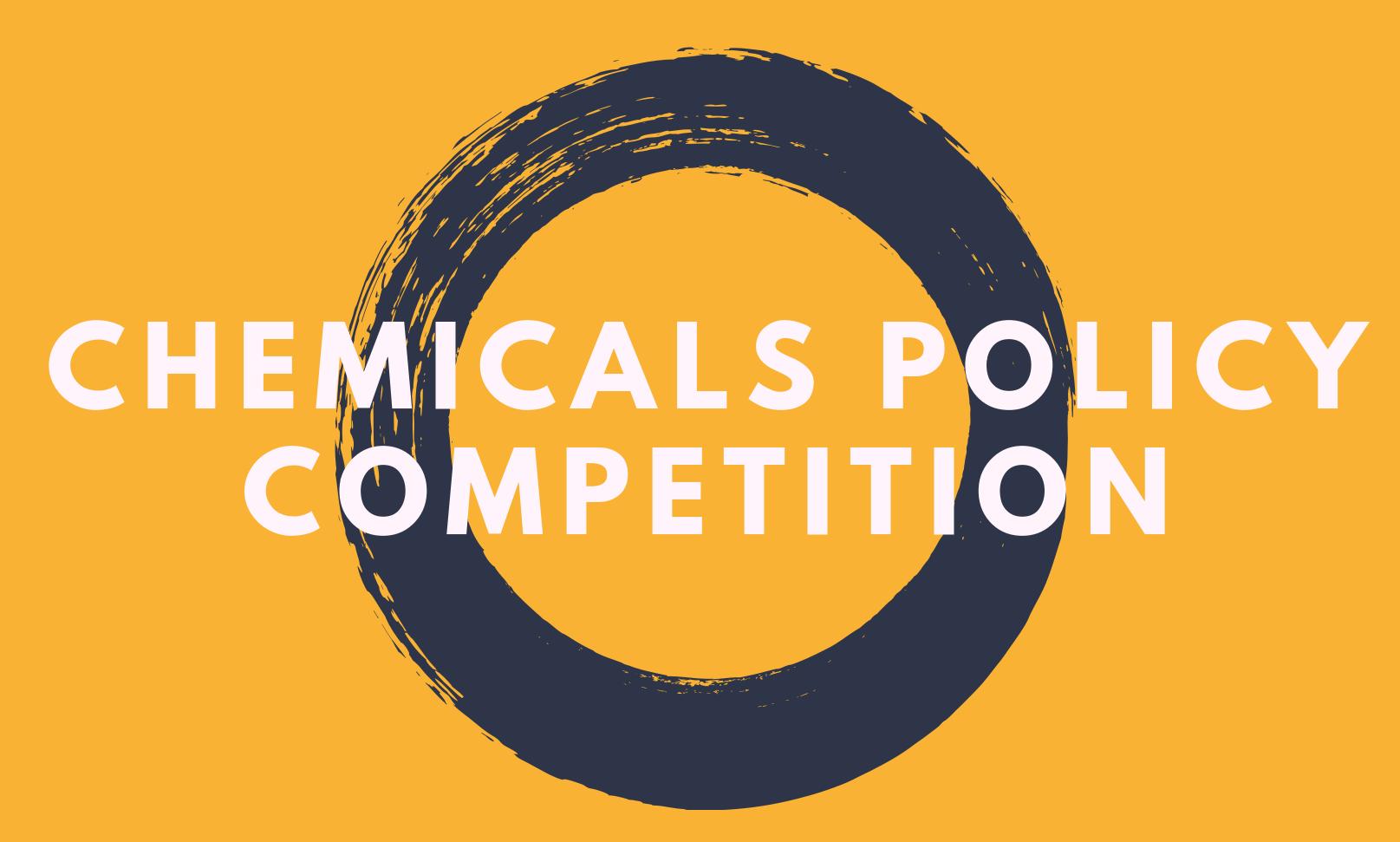
ASSESSMENT CENTRE

Approximately 3 times the number of candidates sought will be invited.

Tests: Language 2

Location: online or in-person





ASSESSMENT CENTRE TASKS

Five types of exercises:



Case Study Exam



Situational Competency-Based Interview (SCBI)



Competency-Based Interview (CBI)



Interview
In The Field



Written Test In The Field



ASSESSMENT CENTRE SCORING

Pass Mark: 40/80

8 GENERAL
COMPETENCIES
(each worth 10 points)

Pass Mark: 25/50

FIELD-RELATED
INTERVIEW
0/50

Pass Mark: 25/50

WRITTEN TEST
IN THE FIELD
0/50

Those who get the highest overall score will make it onto the RESERVE LIST.





ASSESSMENT CENTRE TASKS

Four types of exercises:



Case Study Exam



Situational Competency-Based Interview (SCBI)



Competency-Based Interview (CBI)



Interview In The Field



ASSESSMENT CENTRE SCORING

Pass Mark: 35/70

7 GENERAL
COMPETENCIES
(each worth 10 points)

Pass Mark: 50/100

FIELD-RELATED
INTERVIEW
0/100

Those who get the highest overall score will make it onto the RESERVE LIST.



SUCCESS!

RESERVE LIST

Number of places on the Reserve List

Validity

Recruitment





PRACTICE FOR 10-12 WEEKS

PREPARE FOR 1-HOUR PER DAY OR 10-HOURS PER WEEK

LEARN TEST MTHODOLOGY

PERSISTENCE IS KEY

DO LOTS OF TEST SIMULATIONS



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SIMULATED PRACTICE TESTS

- Verbal Reasoning 20 LANGUAGES!
- Numerical Reasoning
- Abstract Reasoning

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WEBINARS...

FREE - BEGINNER'S GUIDE WEBINARS:

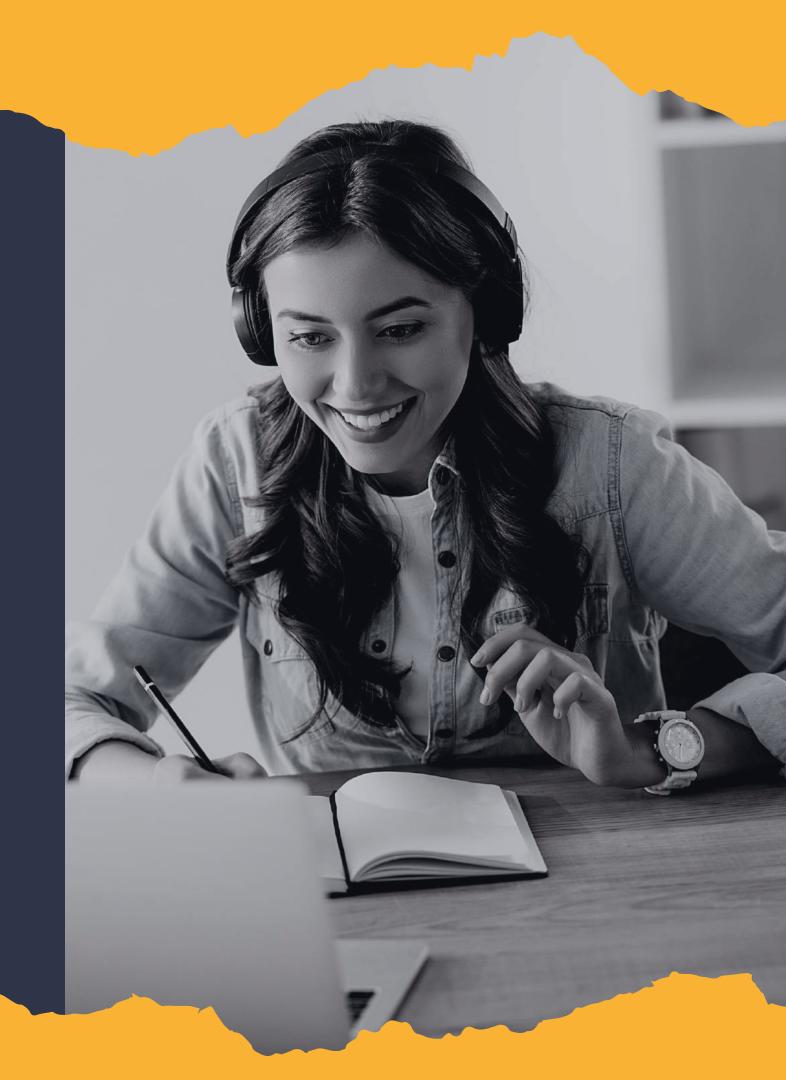
- Beginner's Guide To The EPSO Verbal Reasoning Test
- Beginner's Guide To The EPSO Numerical Reasoning Test
- Beginner's Guide To The EPSO Abstract Reasoning Test

PRO TIPS WEBINARS:

- Pro Tips For The EPSO Verbal Reasoning Test
- Pro Tips For The EPSO Numerical Reasoning Test
- Pro Tips For The EPSO Abstract Reasoning Test

OTHER:

• Maths Refresher For Numerical Reasoning



A WEALTH OF RESOURCES



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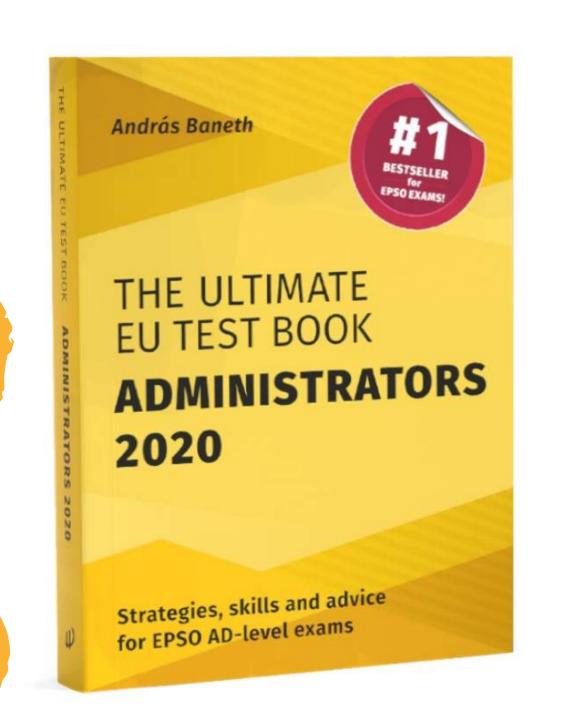
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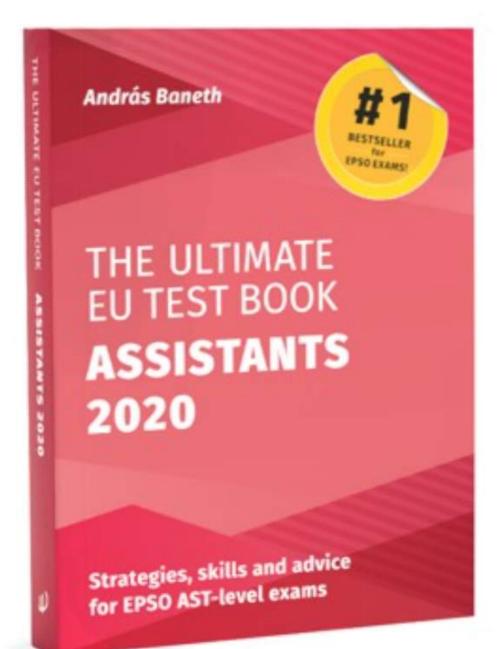
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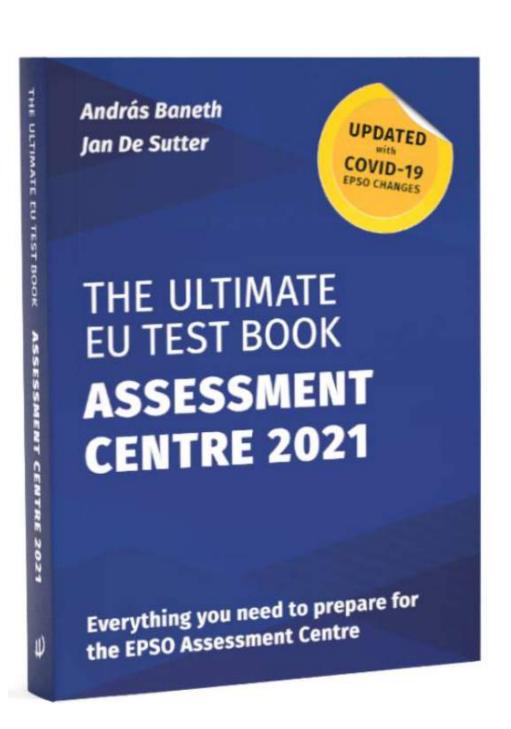
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Engage with other candidates and learn from their experiences.

BOOKS







THANK YOU

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Please note that the official source of information on EU competitions is the European Personnel Selection Office (EPSO). We do everything in our power to provide you with the most accurate and up-to-date information possible.





