## **Session 2 : Tools for Job search Recommendations for telephone use**

## A TOOL FOR:

- $\mathcal{H}^{\lambda}$  Obtaining information on companies and professional contacts.
- $\mathcal{H}$  Arrange interviews
- ₩₩ Follow up cover letter or CV
- $\mathcal{H}$  Contacto permanente para información de ofertas. on offers.

## **ADVICE**

- $\mathcal{H}^{\lambda}$  Before calling prepare what you are going to say (notes)
- $\mathcal{H}^{\lambda}$  Try to get the name of the person you are going to talk with or the secretary.
- $\mathcal{H}$  Introduce yourself and ask who are you talking to.
- $\mathcal{H}^{\lambda}$  Be positive and firm (you are not asking for a favour)
- $\mathcal{H}^{\lambda}$  Speak a little louder and slowlier than normal.
- $\mathcal{H}$  Be polite but short.
- $\mathcal{H}$  Don't call at rush hours.
- $\mathcal{H}$  Take advantage of the absences of telephone operators.
- $\mathcal{H}$  Do not use terms like "it is personal" or "it is important".
- $\mathcal{H}$  Express in a short and clear way the reason of your call.
- $\mathcal{H}$  If you see there is no possibility, do not insist.
- $\mathcal{H}$  Give only necessary information to obtain interest and be able to get a personal interview (avoid telephone interviews)
- \*\*Try to have responses prepared to normal questions about your CV and answers to *no way out* questions.
- Keep your agenda handy to write the most interesting aspects of the conversation and possible appointments.
- $\forall \lambda$  Try to get as much information as possible on each call related to the company and/or job position.