

CV TIPS

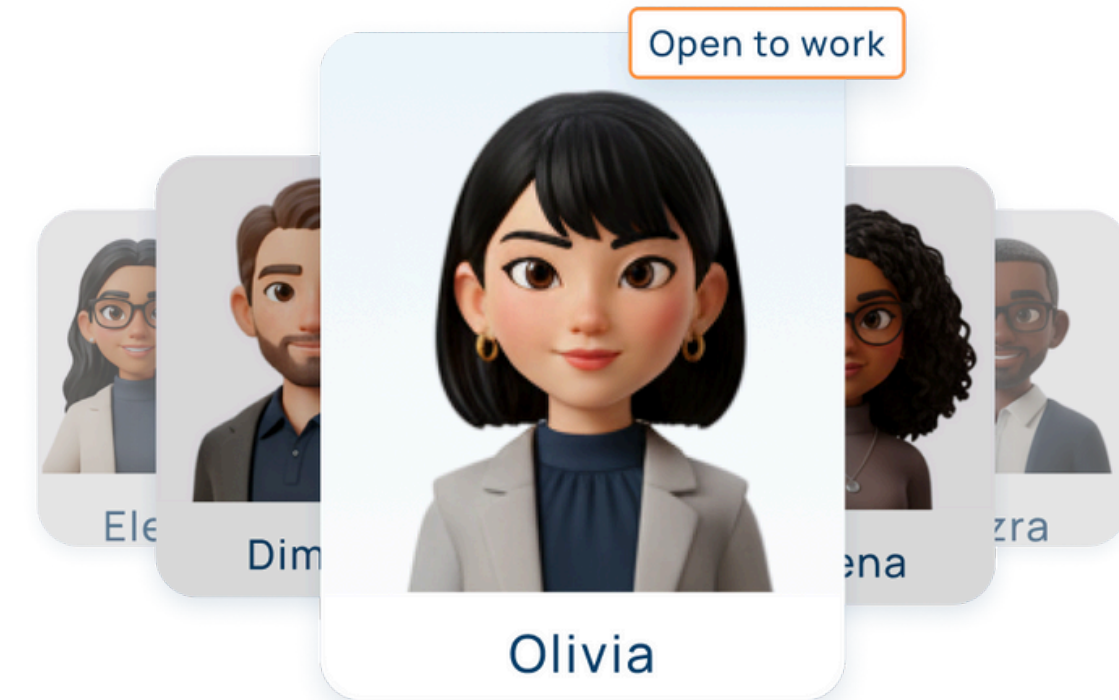
This guide is designed to give you practical keys to building a successful CV, whether you are a recent graduate or an experienced professional.



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A recruiter spends an average of
7 seconds on a CV



How can you
make sure your CV
stands out?



1.

Clarity over originality

- **Avoid overly creative designs**
(Unless applying to an innovative startup)
- **Choose a clean layout**
(professional fonts such as Arial, Calibri, or Helvetica, size 10–12).
- **1 page max for juniors,
2 pages for seniors.**

2.

An optimized structure



Header

Name, surname, contact details (professional email, LinkedIn, phone), location (city/country).



Catchy Title

e.g., “Renewable Energy Consultant – Solar & Storage Expertise” (adapt depending on your specialty).



Profile/Summary (3–4 lines max)

Highlight your added value for consulting. Example:
“Energy engineer with 5 years’ experience in optimizing wind farms. Expertise in data analysis (Python, Power BI) and international project management. Seeking consulting assignments to support industrial energy transition.”

2.

An optimized structure

- **Professional experience**
Highlight measurable results (see point 3 →)
List dates in reverse chronological order.
Include exact dates (month + year).
- **Technical skills**
List software (PVsyst, AutoCAD, HOMER, etc.),
standards (ISO 50001, RE2020), and languages.
- **Education**
Degrees, certifications (e.g., RGE Certificate, MOOC on green hydrogen).
- **Soft skills / Projects / Other**
Publications, volunteer work in energy, technology watch.

3.

Measurable results and tailored content

Recruiters want IMPACT, not just tasks



Participation in a solar project



Optimized a 20 MW solar farm in Spain,
reducing operating costs by 15%
(€300k/year savings).

Use keywords from the job description

(e.g., if the assignment mentions “life cycle assessment”,
add that skill)

Prioritize relevant experience

if applying for a hydrogen-related project, highlight those
projects—even minor ones.

4.

Critical mistakes to avoid



Why consulting?

A CV must be understood by a non-expert (the recruiter may be from HR).



Spelling mistakes

Use BonPatron or Grammarly.



Unprofessional photo

Professional headshot only (no selfies, filters, or casual attire).



Vague date

Never list only years (e.g., "2020-2022") - always include months (e.g., "Jan 2020 - Mar 2022")



Missing periods

Always briefly explain gaps (e.g., 'took a certification' or 'medical recovery').



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