



Effective Grant Writing for Scientists

The aim of this course is to familiarize participants with the strategies for writing successful grant / fellowship applications to various funding bodies. It consists of lecture-style sequences with active participation by the audience dealing with the theory of good scientific writing, the basics of grant applications and the principles of different funding bodies, as well as hands-on exercises on aim definition, structuring a workplan and writing a grant summary.

PRELIMINARY WORK REQUIRED: Participants will be asked to prepare a short “mini-grant application” (3 pages + Scientific CV) in preparation to the course, which will be due approx. 5 days before the start of the course – please take this into consideration when planning participation in this course. These applications will be evaluated by other participants individually before the course and in an evaluation session within the course and each participant will also evaluate 3-4 proposals by others in the 4-5 days before course start. This will provide extensive feedback for all participants on their applications, but most importantly, will provide a clear impression of the situation and the view of potential evaluators.

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