Workshop

Successful Grant Proposal Writing

Organizational details

Instructor: *Dr. Kristian Rother*

Date: November 19 & 20, 2013, each from 09:00 to 16:30

Location: Day 1: room 24 (ground floor), Leihgesterner Weg 52, 35392 Giessen

                   Day 2: Dekanatssitzungssaal des FB 01 (1. floor), Licher Str. 72, 35394 Giessen

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Aims

The aim of this course is to enable the participants to write successful grant applications.

Day 1: You will formulate a convincing core message for their project.

Day 2: You will develop an abstract and/or a solid project structure.

Course Contents

On the first day, you will familiarize with funding opportunities for researchers. By examining the grant proposal review process, you learn what makes a project proposal convincing in the eyes of reviewers and grant commissions. You will formulate the core idea of your project in writing and present it orally as an Elevator Pitch.

On the second day, you will focus on the text of your proposal. Using a guideline document, you will learn what is essential in writing components like milestones, deliverables, and budget plan. You will examine a list of key questions grant proposals must answer and apply them to your own project. You will have the opportunity to write an abstract (or alternatively work on other components of your proposal). At the end of the course, a peer review session will give you feedback on your application draft.

Target group

Doctoral candidates and postdoctoral researchers at GGS and GGL

Course language

English

Registration

For GGS members: By October 20, 2013 via e-mail at info@ggs.uni-giessen.de
For GGL members: By October 20, 2013 via the following link: GGL Registration

Trainer

Dr. Kristian Rother obtained his diploma in biochemistry at the Freie Universität Berlin in 2002, worked as a graduate student in bioinformatics at the Charité Berlin and was awarded his doctoral degree in biology at the Humboldt University Berlin in 2006. After a five-year postdoc in Poland he started as a freelance trainer for life scientists.

Dr. Kristian Rother specialized in the field of bioinformatics and trained with the Splendid Academy Berlin and Toastmasters International in order to become competent as a didactician. He is certified Advanced Communicator Bronze and Professional Scrum Master. He has taught project management, Python programming and chemistry in Poznán, Warsaw, and Berlin. Further references include the European Bioinformatics Training Network, VIB Belgium, Gulbenkian in Lisbon, and NobleProg London.