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Writing competitive proposals to the EU in Horizon 2020

Target group
Researchers who plan to submit Horizon 2020 proposals as a coordinator or contribute as a partner to Horizon 2020 projects proposals.

Contents
Research centres are increasingly dependent on acquiring external resources, due to decreasing funding in the public sector. Proposal writing is an increasingly wanted skill for young scientists and administrators at universities, research institutions, public organisations, and private business companies, large and small alike. However, proposal writing becomes more and more competitive, since funds are continually cut. Not only brilliant scientific ideas but also strong management and writing skills are necessary to successfully compete in proposal writing. The successful proposal writer has to put the burdensome writing procedure on top of the daily tasks and needs strong management skills, writing skills and skills to keep the consortium as a team.

This course is demanding and intense and combines all tools and techniques for proposal writing with limited resources and limited time. Horizon 2020 proposals contain a number of known rules as well as new topics and measures. Successful proposals have to meet all given criteria in order to pass the different stages of evaluation and approval. The course provides all the necessary details, guidelines, evaluation criteria and strategic considerations in order to support proposal writers. The goal is to provide relevant and practical information on how to write a successful proposal for Horizon 2020.

Topics
Introduction to Horizon 2020
project idea and the essentials of a proposal
Proposal writing and exercise
calculations of EC Funding
Time management to meet the deadline
conclusions and recommendations

Methods
Input sessions, individual exercises, group exercises, discussions, case studies, work on numerous templates.

The course demonstrates all steps of proposal writing from the project idea to partner search, partner roles and time management. It aims at encouraging the participants to discuss, network and exchange their knowledge and ideas, and to find own creative solutions in the writing process. Focus is put on understanding the principles of proposal writing.

Duration: 1 day
Date: 6th June 2017, 09:00-16:00
Venue: building 04.7, room 209
Number of participants: 12
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Registration: Deadline 8th May 2017

Hinweis: Zu diesem Training können sich auch Mitarbeiter/innen der RWTH anmelden. Per E-Mail an r.poschen@fz-juelich.de. (In diesem Jahr ist die Teilnahme kostenlos.)
Note: For this training also employees of the RWTH can register.
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(This year, participation is free.)