

Overview of the workshop programme

Fundraising for scientists

How to open doors and avoid pitfalls in research funding

Universität zu Köln, Cluster of Excellence "Cellular Stress Responses in Aging-Associated Diseases [CECAD]"

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Target group: Postdocs

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Good projects need money in order to be put into practice. In light of limited public funding, the securing of sources of financial support – whether classic science funding organisations, foundations or companies – is an important task, especially in the academic and non-profit sectors.

Even though there is no guaranteed path to reach the target, successful fundraising is not a coincidence. A prerequisite is an attractive project concept. In addition, professional skills and abilities are necessary in order to locate suitable funding sources and approach them with the right strategy. If a convincingly formulated application is then submitted, the chances of securing funding are good.

The workshop communicates proven fundraising knowledge from the strategic initial considerations to the funding application and covers the following topics:

- >> Basics of fundraising:
Communication pathways and fundraising instruments
- >> Who are the funders?
An overview of the funding landscape
- >> Approaching funders:
Features of a successful strategy
- >> Change of perspective:
My project from the funders' point of view
- >> Financial planning:
What is expected of me?
- >> Applications in practice:
Tips & stumbling blocks
- >> Fundraising:
My next steps

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