

Technology Centre of the Czech Academy of Sciences and Charles University take pleasure in inviting you to the European Research Council (ERC) applicants' workshop on

HOW TO WRITE A COMPETITIVE PROPOSAL?

The interactive workshop will be focused on proposal writing. To provide you with more time for preparation of a competitive proposal the workshop will be divided into two subsequent parts - **first part will be held on 20 and 21 May 2019** and will consist of two-day intensive training in ERC proposal writing. Together with an experienced ERC evaluator we will discuss in detail your CV, abstract of your proposal as well as evaluation criteria and essential components of a competitive ERC proposal. You will have a unique opportunity to work with a successful ERC project, to meet its principal investigator and to play the role of an evaluator. This will help you to understand how your application should be organised and what should be stressed.

The second part of the workshop will be held on 3/4 September 2019 and will consist of individual presentations of the applicants' ideas and a discussion with other participants, experienced ERC grant holders and ERC evaluators from the applicants' fields of research.

To maximize the impact and effectiveness, the workshop is opened **only for ERC Starting/Consolidator (eventually also Advanced) grant applicants who already intensively work on a grant proposal** which they intend to submit within the **2020 ERC Work Programme calls**.

To attend the workshop, the applicants are required to send their **CV (max. 2 pages), early achievements track-record (max. 2 pages) and abstract of the proposal (max. 2000 characters) in one file** and strictly according to the instructions in the [Information for Applicants to the Starting and Consolidator Grant 2019 Calls](#) and eventually [Information for Applicants to the Advanced Grant 2018 Call](#) (using the ERC templates: [Starting](#), [Consolidator](#) and [Advanced](#)) to Ms Z. Dvorakova (dvorakovaz@tc.cz) **till 2 May 2019** at the latest. We kindly ask you to register as soon as possible, even if you have not yet finalised the materials requested. All materials will be considered as confidential. The quality of the received materials will be indicative for the state of the preparation of the proposal, and the admission to the workshop will be decided upon them. Registration will be confirmed no later than 16 May 2019.

PROGRAMME

Date: 20 – 21 May 2019
Place: Charles University, Ovocný trh 5, Prague, Malá aula (Karolinum)
Registration: <http://geform.tc.cz/ERCworkshop2019>
Language: English
Trainers: **Zdeněk Strakoš**, ERC evaluator and panel chair, Charles University, Faculty of Mathematics and Physics
Zuzana Čapková, MSCA & ERC NCP, Technology Centre CAS
Aneta Hlavsová, Legal and Financial NCP, Technology Centre CAS

20 May 2019

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| 09.30 – 10.00 | Registration |
| 10.00 – 10.15 | <u>Introduction</u> |
| 10.15 – 11.15 | <u>Competitive CV & track-record</u> |
| 11.15 – 11.25 | <u>Q&A</u> |
| 11.25 – 12.10 | <u>What are the evaluation criteria and how do the panels work?</u> |
| 12.10 – 12.20 | <u>Frequent comments from the evaluation summary reports</u> |
| 12.20 – 12.30 | <u>Q&A</u> |
| 12.30 – 13.15 | Discussion, networking and light lunch |
| 13.15 – 14.00 | <u>Proposal</u> |
| 14.00 – 14:15 | <u>Budget</u> |
| 14.15 – 14.45 | Discussion and networking |

21 May 2019

MORNING SESSION – LIFE SCIENCES AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES AND ENGINEERING (Open to researchers who have chosen to participate in the life sciences/physical sciences and engineering session)

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| 09.45 – 10.00 | Registration |
| 10.00 – 12.00 | <u>Interactive part: evaluating an ERC proposal</u> |
| 12.00 – 12.15 | <u>ERC grant holder success story</u> |
| 12.15 – 12.45 | <u>Discussion and wrap-up</u> |
| 12.45 – 13.30 | Networking lunch |

AFTERNOON SESSION – SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES (Open to researchers who have chosen to participate in the social sciences and humanities session)

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| 13.15 – 13.30 | Registration |
| 13.30 – 15.30 | <u>Interactive part: evaluating an ERC proposal</u> |
| 15.30 – 15.45 | <u>ERC grant holder success story</u> |
| 15.45 – 16.00 | <u>Discussion and wrap-up</u> |
| 16.00 – 16.20 | Networking coffee |