Grant writing

Topic area:	Science communication
Format:	Online or in-house workshop
Workload:	4 webinars of 2-2.5 h each = 2 workshop days
Trainer:	Karin Bodewits Philipp Gramlich
Target group:	PhD students and postdocs

Scholarships, travel grants, and fellowships are more than just academic support—they're your ticket to success in any field. Whether you're aiming for academia, industry, or NGOs, securing funding is highly valued everywhere.

Starting early with smaller grants builds confidence, sharpens your proposal skills, and boosts your chances of landing more prominent, prestigious awards later. Beyond the financial benefits, winning grants gives you the freedom to direct your research and explore projects you're passionate about, offering a level of career autonomy many PhD students don't realise is possible.

During the Grant writing workshop for PhD Students and early career researchers, you will get a head start on your funding journey. Gain the skills and insights to navigate the fierce competition and write successful grants!

What types of grants are there?	The process of grant writing
- Define your purpose and aim - Find suitable grants for your project	- Who will read your application and what´s in it for them? - Describe your project in a coherent and engaging way

Grant and project proposals for…	Self-presentation skills
- Scholarships	- Short CV
- External research stays	- Motivation letter
- Side projects	- Online profile
- Conference visits	- Pitch your project to funding bodies
- Advanced training	

Course flow online

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Weeks 2-3
Live webinar - Setting analysis (audience and purpose) - Grants that might fit this purpose	Live webinar - What´s your USP (Unique selling point)? - Your storyline: the structure of your proposal	Live webinar - Does your plan fit the readership? - Clarity of your verbal and visual communication	Live webinar - Your application portfolio: CV, cover letter, pitch - Your online persona	Individual and group course work (online and offline) Feedback from the course instructor
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Interested to read more about this topic? Then you might be interested in Karin´s article **The importance of applying for funding early in your career**, published in Chemistry World.