

## Hello academia! Off to a great start

<b>Duration:</b>	2 days
<b>Course type:</b>	In-house seminar
<b>Trainer:</b>	Karin Bodewits or Philipp Gramlich
<b>Target group:</b>	1st year PhD students
<b>Number of participants:</b>	Max. 12



*...best before 01. 07. 18*

You recently started your PhD full of enthusiasm. However, an uneasy feeling creeps up whenever you walk past one of the senior PhD students, who are in the process of writing up. Do you hear them say, "If I knew that before" or "I wish I would have thought of" and think for yourself, "I hope this doesn't happen to me, I hope I can get around their mistakes myself." A PhD is too complex to ever be without complications. However, in this course we'll try to work on our 'starter package' to survive in this new environment and to get a broad set of experiences and networks from your PhD.

<p><b>Your PhD: more than just lab</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Conferences</li> <li>- Outreach</li> <li>- Networking</li> </ul>	<p><b>Career planning</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The PhD plan</li> <li>- Which qualifications to seek during your PhD?</li> <li>- Can I determine my development?</li> <li>- How to get in touch with future employers</li> </ul>
<p><b>Present yourself and your results</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Self-marketing</li> <li>- Use of storytelling</li> </ul>	<p><b>Communication and conflicts</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Stakeholder analysis: Which players are affected by your work and how can you position yourself in this 'ecosystem'?</li> <li>- Communicate and defend your interests towards your boss, colleagues and students</li> <li>- Conflicts and resolution</li> </ul>