ERC Starting and ERC Consolidator Grant Strategy (1-day workshop with individual coaching) | Language could be English or German in the workshop

**Date and Time:**
- Seminar: Wed, 25 September 2019, 09:00–17:00 h
- Coaching: on appointment

**Place:**
Ruhr-Universität Bochum
RUB Research School
Building: Forum Nord-Ost (FNO), level 01, room 117
Universitätsstr. 150, 44789 Bochum

**Target group:**
Junior professors, Research Group Leaders, Habilitanden of all research fields

**Trainer:**
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**Registration:**
by 19 September 2019 (max. 9 participants)

**Description**

One of the most challenging tasks in research is getting funded by highly competitive programs like the ERC Starting or Consolidator Grant with creative and convincing proposals. The aim of this 1-day workshop is to reflect the high standards of the ERC Grants and to successfully apply them to research and proposal ideas of the participants. The workshop will clarify the basic knowledge and requirements but will also address more conceptual and strategic parts of the ERC Starting and Consolidator Grant proposal.

Special emphasis will be put on

- testing research projects against the “excellence claim” of the ERC Starting and Consolidator Grant
- convincingly describing key messages and research innovations
- developing a convincing structure of the proposal
- project and time management to plan, write and submit a proposal
- strategic presentation of academic CV
- describing “scientific independence”
- finding the right mentors

The workshop will also work on writing strategies and efficient writing styles including storytelling for ERC Starting Grants. In addition, the workshop will discuss evaluation criteria & processes for ERC Starting Grant proposals to reflect how they affect the planned research project as well as the research proposal.

The participants will have the opportunity to work on their own ERC Starting Grant proposals during the workshop.
In individual coachings after the 1-day workshop each participant will have the opportunity to discuss individual proposals with the trainer (50 min. for each coaching). Meetings for coachings will be arranged during the workshop and will be flexible in time.

**Trainer**

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