

Teaching Approaches for  
Grant Proposal Writing Workshops

# Train-the-Trainer Workshop 2023

Workshop

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## ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

# ProGRANT Proposal Writing for Research Grants Teaching Approaches for Grant Proposal Writing Workshops: Train-the-Trainer Workshop 2023

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### The DIES ProGRANT Alumni Network

Members of the DIES ProGRANT Alumni Network have successfully completed each of the four ProGRANT phases and are, thus, advanced in proposal writing. The DIES ProGRANT Alumni community of academic professionals is highly diverse in regards to their countries of origins, cultures as well as their fields of research. This group of individuals represents a high-potential pool of professionals that are crucial multipliers for proposal writing and subject specific knowledge. Through this workshop the UoC Coordination Center seeks to strengthen the alumni's skills in teaching in higher education.

The 2023 DIES ProGRANT Train-the-Trainer Workshop will give members of the ProGRANT Alumni community the chance to meet fellow international alumni and strengthen the worldwide DIES ProGRANT network. They will be able to further develop professionally by working with their peers and trainers in order to reach a new level of expertise in the field of innovative teaching approaches in higher education.

ProGRANT is part of the DIES Programme (Dialogue on Innovative Higher Education Strategies), which is jointly coordinated by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) and German Rectors' Conference (HRK) since 2001 and funded by the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ).

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## Teaching Approaches for Grant Proposal Writing Workshops

The DIES ProGRANT Train-the-Trainer Workshop 2023 **Teaching Approaches for Grant Proposal Writing Workshops** will enable participants to develop and implement training courses on grant proposal writing that are tailored to the specific needs of their target group and sophisticated in terms of content as well as teaching approach.

Different topics will first be explained and explored theoretically, followed by a practical phase, where alumni will have to implement the theoretical knowledge. By that the alumni will answer three questions:

- **What** will I have to convey to my target group in terms of content? (refreshing knowledge on grant proposal writing)
- **Who** will my target group be? (Taking into account e.g. the diversity of scientific cultures and learning conditions)
- **How** will I best convey the content to the target group? (Didactical concepts, teaching and presentation methods)

Participants will take on the role of trainers and create and present

- *criteria list for didactical concepts, teaching and presentation methods*
- *innovative draft concepts/programs for a 4-days workshop on Grant Proposal Writing (either face-to-face or online)*
- *presentations on one topic of their workshop program*

**Intensive group work** and **peer reviews** will enhance the learning experience of the participating alumni.

Please note that the Train-the-Trainer Workshop will be held **remotely** via the video-conferencing tool **Zoom**.

## Participants Profile

Potential participants are DIES ProGRANT Alumni from all four DIES regions (Latin America, Africa, the Middle East, and Southeast Asia). Five participants from each region will be selected. Applications of female participants will be favored to ensure the diversity of the participants.

Participants must

- *Hold a DIES ProGRANT certificate*
- *Have been successful in obtaining third party research funding after completion of their respective ProGRANT course*
- *Have an affiliation to an academic institution*
- *Be involved in research and teaching*

- *Have identified what their teaching methods are lacking*
- *Be interested in implementing innovative teaching methods at their academic institution*
- *Have arranged a small-scale proposal writing workshop at their institution or in their region already*
- *Be interested in organizing further proposal writing workshops*

## Partner Profiles

**The University of Cologne:** The University of Cologne (UoC) combines innovation with tradition in its research and teaching since its foundation in 1388, which establishes its academic excellence as one of the best-known German universities.

**proWiss Consulting Services for Researchers:** proWiss develops training programs on grant writing and assists scientists – individuals and research teams from all disciplines – in raising external funds for research projects, capacity building and international cooperation.

## Application Requirements and Process

Applications can be submitted on our website (<https://uni.koeln/CPRML>).

Following the link under “Course Offerings” you will find the Online Application Form. Please fill out all fields and upload all other application requirements (as mentioned below) on that form. Incomplete applications or applications submitted via email will not be accepted (unless participants are unable to use JotForm due to country restrictions).

### DIES ProGRANT Certificate

Please provide a copy of your DIES ProGRANT certificate.

### Academic CV

Please provide a brief 1-page resumé of your academic career.

### Letter of Motivation

The 1-page (600-700 words) Letter of Motivation should provide information about your experience in as well as your goal for teaching in higher education. Why are you motivated to implement innovative teaching approaches into your work? How will you, your students and your institution benefit from those new teaching methods? Please indicate which third party research funding you obtained after the completion of your respective ProGRANT course. Additionally, we would like to hear why you are motivated to become a ProGRANT trainer and to organize proposal writing courses for other researchers in your region.

### Confirmation of successful Third-Party Funding Application

Please attach also the confirmation of the funding organization about the successful third-party funding application. The confirmation can be submitted also after the application deadline until August 21st, 2023.



### Letter of Support

We ask that you submit a 1-page Letter of Support from the university you are affiliated with. Your home institution should provide information about your relationship to, and functions at the university, and express support in you participating in the DIES ProGRANT Train-the-Trainer Workshop 2023. The letter of support can be submitted also after the application deadline until August 21st, 2023.

### File Format

Please title all pdfs according to the following example:

“familyname\_firstname\_expose” / “familyname\_firstname\_CV”

**Please note: The Deadline for applications is Monday, August 7th, 2023, 11 PM (German time).**

20 participants will be selected according to the quality of their Letter of Motivation and also based on regional and institutional profiles. Applicants will be given a final decision by mid-August, 2023.

### Contact and Information

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