



Technical University of Munich

EuroTech Postdoc Workshop

Soft skills for global leaders

The three-day workshop organized by **TUM ForTe** in collaboration with the **EuroTech Alliance Universities** is aimed at preparing postdocs for their next career step and complementing their ample repertoire of technical qualifications with essential soft skills. As such, it will provide an intensive, highly interactive, and fun crash course in the soft skills underlying professional success, in both academic and non-academic careers. At the same time, the workshop provides a great opportunity for participants to network and establish collaborations.

The workshop is structured in three one-day long sessions:

- **“Selling your Science (and yourself!)” – by Jen Rolfe (UK)**

A practical approach to presenting science to a non-specialist audience, with tips and techniques from “fabulous facilitation” concepts: “mindset”, “integrity”, “connection” and “engagement”. Participants spend the morning learning the new ideas, and then deliver prepared talks that are filmed. They give and receive individual feedback and take away structured action points.

- **“Global mindset and intercultural competence!” – by Christine McCarthy (DE)**

Gain awareness of the mindset, competencies and behaviors relevant to leadership in the global economy. Develop a skill set to lead diverse teams and manage international projects in a complex, ambiguous and volatile environment. This workshop comprises impulse talks, practical tools, exercises and activities to support the development of global leadership.

- **“Networking and career planning - how to use your network for your next career step!” – by Barbara Wagner (DE)**

Professional networks are a crucial factor when competing on the job market. Moreover, they are a pivotal tool for scientific cooperation. Networks serve to build up the right contacts and to advance one’s own career. Demands from careers such as international mobility and flexibility make it especially important to maintain and cultivate one’s network in order to preserve its utility in the long run. This workshop aims to promote awareness on the importance of networks for one’s career in both academia and industry. Participants will get to know specific methods, instruments, and tools for building up and maintaining networks.

Target audience: postdocs from the EuroTech Universities

Dates and venue: 31 August - 2 September 2016, TUM Campus, Munich

Cost per participant: FREE (supported by the EuroTech Universities Alliance), limited number of participants

Registration before 24 June 2016: send a motivation letter (0.5 page) and a short CV in a single pdf (University_Name.pdf) to postdoc@tum.de.