

Successful third-party funding in sport science

Since the Federal Office of Sport (FOSPO) had to stop the funding of research in sport science, it became increasingly difficult for Swiss sport scientists to finance their own research projects through third-party funding. Nevertheless, the successful recruitment of competitive third-party funds is increasingly regarded as an indicator of high-quality research. Already young scientists are expected to apply for grants to support their research projects and to successfully apply for scholarships that, for example, enable them to spend some time abroad.

The aim of the workshop is to increase the chances of successful third-party funding of young scientists. To this end, various funding institutions and instruments will be examined and their fit for specific research projects will be discussed. In addition, junior scientists have the opportunity to submit a draft application in advance of the workshop (at the latest by 14 January 2018 to martin.keller@unifr.ch), for which they would like to receive feedback from "funding" experienced scientists.

Specifically, in a first part of the workshop (morning), the "funding landscape" of Switzerland will be presented, with the main aim being to present such funding sources that are particularly suitable for sport scientists (SNF (Post)Doc.Mobility, Inno Swiss, Swiss Olympic etc.). In a second part (early afternoon), the participants will have the opportunity to get feedback on their previously submitted application. The third part (late afternoon) will focus on the informal exchange among junior scientists and there will be some time for physical activity.

In addition to PhD students, this workshop is explicitly suitable also for postdoctoral researchers who aim to attract third-party funding in the near future or who would like to apply for a research stay.

The detailed program will be announced upon receipt of appropriate amount of registrations.

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