Advanced Project Management – Make it agile!

**Objective**

The workshop is aimed at PhD candidates towards the end of their thesis and at post-docs working with other researchers and/or being involved in multiple projects. Participants will learn advanced skills to manage and to lead projects in an agile way. The techniques of agile project management can be applied to research, as well as to other types of projects. Hence, the workshop is also of outmost interest for people who intend to pursue a career outside academia.

**Description**

In this workshop PhD candidates and Postdocs learn to manage and lead projects in an agile way, i.e. with a focus on producing incremental results from an early stage of their project and improving those in several iterations. Under the guidance of two experienced trainers, participants will work on

- setting the stage and forging a project team
- managing projects with several team members
- defining a problem and structuring it consistently
- assessing and managing multiple stakeholders
- identifying tasks, allocating resources and managing bottlenecks
- understanding differences between traditional and agile project management
- monitoring progress, providing feedback and managing crisis situations
- developing a plan to apply principles of agile PM in their projects

**Methodology**

The methodology is based on the pioneering Co-active® Coaching model and champions an approach integrating experiential learning with exercises from proven management methods and various leadership training tools. Throughout the workshop participants will be encouraged to learn at three levels: from what is said, from what they experience and from their interactions with others. Follow-up support will be offered to deepen the learning and to forward the action. This will also encourage participants to build a community to exchange experience and to support each other.

**Conditions**

Participants are required to do some “pre-work” (ca. 1 hour) and to bring a project that is in the early stages or one they intend to embark on, which they can work on during the workshop, applying the newly learned skills. Knowledge of the fundamentals of project management, e.g. following the “waterfall-model” or being able to provide a thorough problem statement are preconditions for taking this course.

**Organizational Information**

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| **Date** | Monday 19 November 2018, 10:00 – 18:00  
Tuesday 20 November 2018, 9:00 – 17:00 |
| **Registration** | For registration click here |