

## Advanced Project Management – Make It Agile!

### Objective

The online workshop is aimed at PhD candidates towards the end of their thesis and at postdocs 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 particular 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. Participants will work on:

- Setting the stage and forging a project team
- Assessing and managing multiple stakeholders
- Thinking about the impact of their project by defining a problem and characterising the user
- Identifying tasks, estimating time, and planning execution by using the SCRUM approach
- Visualising progress, conducting team meetings, giving feedback, and managing crises
- Understanding differences between traditional and agile project management
- 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.

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 (approx. 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

Language	English
Target group	Advanced Doctoral Candidates and Postdocs from all faculties
Date	Monday-Tuesday, 14-15 June 2021, 9:00 – 17:30
Registration	<a href="#">For registration click here</a>

### Trainer



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