

## Course Contents: "Effective Debating in Research"

### Debating effectively

Presenting and discussing your own data or opinions on scientific subjects can easily lead to a debate, since not everybody shares the same view. It is therefore beneficial to be able to argue with others about your point of view without fighting or backing down due to a lack of expedient argumentation.

### Course description:

#### **I have a different opinion on that! Train debate for research**

The training program aims at providing an insight into debating.

In this workshop awareness about good argumentation is trained. The transfer of debate as a “sport activity” to debate as a useful method in research, but also to debate in a company will be demonstrated. Participants will have the chance to experience the practicability and profit orientation of debates. The workshop aims at training rhetoric abilities and cognitive agility when it comes to discussing a topic and opinions about it differ.

### Duration:

- 1 day (8 hours)

### Aims:

- finding valid arguments and checking their relevance
- building up conclusive and convincing arguments
- refute and invalidate arguments
- maintaining a persuasive demeanour even when the audience is critical
- remaining confident with critical questions and interjections

### Trainer:

- Karsten Stölzgen, certified debating trainer