You are starting a PhD at the University of Liège? Get the keys to make a good start in research! At the end of this introductory training, you will have a clear idea of the steps and requirements of a PhD, the research environment at the University of Liège (structures, contact persons, training opportunities...), the mobility, funding and career opportunities... and have the opportunity to build a first network of peer.

For Who? Graduated students starting a PhD and PhD-candidates at a very early stage (1st year of PhD)

Why?

- To start your thesis knowing your research environment and the structure of your university
- To think about the organization of one's thesis
- To adopt a professional attitude and method
- To think about your career plan
- To meet other PhD students and create a first network

Practical information:

- **Date**: September 28-30, 2022, 9.00 – 16.30
- **Place**: XX-Août, salle des Professeurs, bât. A1
- **Language**: English
- Coffee breaks will be provided. Please bring your own food and drinks. Lunch will be provided on the first day.

Registration

You can register via the online registration form: [https://my.uliege.be/portail/go_xt.do?a=o%7C11002%7Ce%7C509029](https://my.uliege.be/portail/go_xt.do?a=o%7C11002%7Ce%7C509029)

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Programme

September 28th

9.00-9.15 – Welcome and coffee

9.15-9.45 – Introduction and Ice-breaker

9h.45-11.00 – Start a PhD at ULiège: notice

- How to start a PhD at the University of Liège? How is a PhD structured? Do I have to take courses? How many credits do I need to get? What is the doctoral training? Who are the resources persons and structures I can count on? This session will go through:
  - The doctoral candidate and its environment
  - Regulations
  - Doctoral training: framework
  - Your personal file in MyULiège
  - Softskills training programme

Thérèse Dupont, Softskills training, Administration Recherche et Développement, ULiège
11.00-11.15- Coffee break

11.15-12.15– Funding your research: context and opportunities
What are the Belgian and European research funding organisations? Why is it important to understand how they operate? How do I put all the chance on my side? What are the perspective along my career? Where can I get up-to-date information on funding opportunities? A few of the questions that will be addressed in this workshop.

*Jérôme Eeckhout, Grant office, Administration Recherche et Développement, ULiège*

12.30-13.30 – Provided lunch

13.15-15.00– Manage your thesis like a project
Time and project management, personal efficiency, project, communication... This session give you tricks and tools to simplify your thesis.

*Thérèse Dupont, Softskills training, Administration Recherche et Développement, ULiège*

15.00-15.15 - Coffee break

15.15-16.30 - My thesis as a contribution to the Sustainable Development Goals of the Global Agenda 2030
Universities have a major role to play in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals of the 2030 World Agenda through their three missions: research, education and citizenship. Many local and global challenges must be met by researchers from all disciplines. The aim is to help the actors of society to respond to the emergencies of climate change, loss of biodiversity, rising social inequalities, conflicts, overexploitation of natural resources...
This workshop will present the key concepts of sustainable development, the challenges of the Global Agenda for the different actors of society and in particular for the world of research. You will be asked to consider the impact of your thesis. To which Sustainable Development Goals does it contribute? And how to increase the positive impact of your research? In your daily life (in your research lab or at home), how can you reduce your environmental footprint?

*Cécile Van de Weerdt, Catherine Henrist et Sarah Robinet, Green Office ULiège*

September 29th

9.00-9.15 – Welcome and icebreaker

9.15-11.00 – Find and produce scientific information
The ULiège Libray network guides researchers from the literature search to the publication of results and the data. Its members are valuables resources regarding Open Access, copywriting, choosing an editor or a bibliography software, deposing your work on the institutional repository (Orbi)... Don’t wait and meet the experts.

*Paul Thirion, ULiège Library*

11.00-11.15 – Coffee break

11.15-12.30– Communicating effectively with your professional environment
This workshop aims to raise your awareness of how to communicate effectively with your supervisor in order to ensure a smooth and successful doctoral career. Tools will be proposed and the specific requirements of the University of Liège context will be discussed.

*TBC, Administration Recherche et Développement, ULiège*

12.30-13.30 – Lunch (bring your own)

13.30 -13.45 – ReD: Meeting with the PhD-candidates network

13.45-14.30 – Fish Bowl : Building and maintaining your scientific network
14.45-16.30 – Presenting your research effectively
    Stage fright, the fear of a memory lapse, of the question that kills, of not being up to the task... often accompany public speeches. Scientific communication is no exception. What if you stopped suffering from your posture as a speaker? David Homburg gives you tricks to master the key elements of your presentation (body language, voice, all types of media, rhythm and structure, breaking effects and humour).
    **David Homburg, HEC ULiège**

    **September 30**

9.00-9.15 – Welcome and icebreaker

9.15-10.30 – Search and organize information, focus on methods and tools
    In a more practical way, explore the keys to effective document research: from choosing keywords to platforms and familiarizing yourself with the tools, selection and organization of documents.
    **Marjorie Bardiau et Christophe Dony, ULiège Library**

10.30-10.45 – Coffee break

10.45-11.15 – Networking by research domain

11.15-12.00 – Ethics: how to develop good practices in research
    Using case studies, Catherine Thiry will sharpen your scientific integrity and explore tools and resources persons regarding ethics. Is this plagiarism? Is this misconduct? Data manipulation or unintentional mistake? The ethics committee and other safeguards won’t have any secret for you afterward.
    **Catherine Thiry, Legal department ULiège**

12.00-13.00 - Lunch (bring your own)

13.00-14.15 – Introduction to responsible management of research data
    Misuse of data undermines the quality of research: data dredging, selection bias, publication bias, non-replicability, and many others. Be the best researcher you can be by developing good habits right from the start! This workshop aims at making you aware of these pitfalls and at empowering you to avoid them with the right tools and attitude. At all stages of your research project, from data acquisition to sharing, you will learn about good practices for a responsible, open and honest management of research data.
    **Judith Biernaux, Administration Recherche et Développement, ULiège**

14h15-16h00 – Mobility, cotutelle doctorate and inculturality, exploring the international aspects of the research world.
    Should you go or not? Cotutelle or short stays? What are the benefits of a mobility experience? When to start a mobility project? How to finance it? How can I develop myself in an intercultural environment?
    **Manon Godbille, Administration Recherche et Développement, ULiège**
    **Pauline Antoine, Relations internationales ULiège**
    **Rachel Delcourt, Administration Recherche et Développement, ULiège**

16h00-16h30 – Conclusion

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