



Forging a career in academia: A survival kit

September 1st 2015, 9 am to 5 pm, Printing House Hall, Trinity College Campus, Dublin

Time	Topic	Speakers
9:00-9:30 Welcome and registration		
9:30-9:40	Introduction - Overall programme for the day	Dorina Cadar
9:40-10:00	Finding a job <ul style="list-style-type: none"> When to apply, where to look, how to approach people about positions beforehand 	Tony Robertson
10:00-10:45	Getting the job <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Writing applications/ CVs/cover letters Interview tips Picking referees Competency based interviews 	Peter Tennant, & Tony Robertson & Sarah Gibney
10:45-11:00	Panel Discussion - Jobs	All above
11:00-11:30 Break		
11:30-12:15	Negotiation/difficult conversations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rights and responsibilities of postdocs/teaching fellows/Pis Making sure your contribution is valued Dealing with difficult people Departmental cultures 	Mark Kelson & Peter Tenant
12:15-12:30	Panel Discussion - Negotiation/difficult conversations	All above
12:45-13:00	Mentoring <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What, how, who, when and where? Achieving a work-life balance 	Simon Capewell & Sara Ronzi
13:00-14:00 Lunch		
14:00-14:45	Thinking strategically about your career <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximising future career opportunities by building relationships, networking tips, thinking about impact and future collaborations, not just publications 	Simon Capewell & Mark Kelson
14:45-15:00	Panel Discussion - Thinking strategically about your career	All above
15:00-15:30	Skills and Training <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project management for researchers: practical tips Effective communication to non-academic audiences Making the most of your new position: maximizing opportunities and dealing with challenges 	Becca Lacey & Sarah Gibney
15:30-15:45	Panel Discussion – Skills and training	
15:45-16:00 Break		
16:00-16:45	Next steps: Fellowships/Grants and Lectureships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fellowship/starter grants (grantsmanship) Tenured positions (usually heavy teaching) Writing yourself into a grant proposal PI/applicant relationship dynamics 	Ellen Flint & Justin Synnott
16:45-16:55	Panel Discussion – Fellowships and grantsmanship	All above
16:55-17:00	Closing remarks - The benefits of being an ECR SSM Member	Dorina Cadar