

To young researchers:

REGISTER to a public engagement workshop and young scientist club event

Baltic Sea Science Congress, Klaipeda, Lithuania, 29 August 2013

The BONUS-sponsored workshop 'The engaging researcher' run by a professional expert is designed to inspire young researchers and support to engage the public with their work. The workshop is free-of-charge and will be followed by the fourth BONUS-sponsored Young Scientists Club that will convene in the evening of 29 August 2013 during the 9th Baltic Sea Science Congress taking place in Klaipeda, Lithuania.

Come along to an inspiring evening, including dinner, enjoyed among peers and hosted by the young scientists and students of the Klaipeda University. The ambition in the Young Scientists Club is also to look into the future and create networks of tomorrow's leading Baltic Sea scientists in the early stages of their careers (PhD students and Post Docs in their early years).

About the workshop: The engaging researcher

Keen to engage the public with your research but not sure where to begin?

An engaging researcher is just like any other researcher - with one important difference. Engaging researchers go out of their way to involve the public with their research. They open up opportunities for others to get involved, provide new perspectives on the value of their work, and stimulate people to be curious about the world of research - and why it matters.

This highly interactive workshop has been designed for researchers who are new to, or have some experience with public engagement. During the workshop, participants will:

- Explore the benefits and range of public engagement activities
- Investigate the needs of different public audiences
- Explore methods for evaluating the impact and success of public engagement activities
- Collaborate with peers to design and plan public engagement activities
- Examine which public engagement activities complement your current skills and what will help you develop your skills further

Previous participants said about this workshop:

- *"Very enjoyable, useful and thought provoking"*
- *"Good starting point for thinking about how to use public engagement with my own research, about potential barriers and ways to overcome them."*
- *"It was fun and definitely engaging!!! Extremely worthwhile"*
- *"This is the best public engagement course I have been on. It was fully interactive and not a lot of being talked at! Much better to use our own initiative!"*
- *"Rekindled the 'dreamer' in me - sparked a few innovative ideas and showed that I can be engaging and it is possible to hold your own public engagement event"*

Register at www.bonusportal.org/BSSC2013 and come along!

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