

Two-day "Write it Right" workshop

This two-day workshop is intended for graduate students and researchers in academia and industry. It covers structured writing, technical English, optimal presentation of figures and tables, and handy tips on the writing and publishing process. By working together and sharing experiences, participants advance quickly in their writing skills, saving much time and effort for themselves and for their supervisors.

Since we started "Write it Right" in 2002, over 3200 scientists have participated in our workshops, many via the Dutch National Science foundation (NWO) and the foundation for research on matter (FOM). Further afield, we have given workshops at Bayreuth University, Münster University, the IAMO Institute in Halle, the Max Planck Institutes in Cologne and in Potsdam, the University of Oslo, the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, the Norwegian Veterinary Research Institute, the E2P2 Advanced Research Lab in Shanghai, and even to the managers of the ING Bank. We also organized ten annual WiR workshops open to the general public. The average feedback score of the workshops is >8,5.

Prior to the workshop, all participants submit a two-page draft manuscript prepared using the WiR template. We then read all drafts and give each participant specific comments on their writing style and presentation. During the workshop, participants attend lectures, perform exercises, and write a mini-version of their own manuscript, which is then peer-reviewed. A prize is awarded for the best manuscript. Each participant also receives a syllabus with exercises and tips about the writing and publishing procedure, as well as a copy of Bill Bryson's "Troublesome Words". The workshop also covers the use of generative AI tools such as ChatGPT, that is very useful for researchers at all stages.

Technical details.

- Workshops cost €14.850 plus VAT and travel and accommodation costs for the lecturers where appropriate. These costs include all teaching materials and lecture fees.
- The maximum number of participants is 30. Note that the price of the workshop is fixed, and does not depend on the number of participants. The hosting institute may choose whom to send to the workshop.
- The hosting institute is responsible for providing a suitable venue, equipped with a computer projector, sufficient chairs and tables for the participants, and access to a photocopier.
- All offers and contracts are subject to the General Terms and Conditions of Rothenberg Enterprises BV. These General Terms and Conditions are deposited at the Amsterdam Courts (ref. #13/2012), and are also available at <http://write-it-right-workshops.org>

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