## BAMBERG GRADUATE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES





## Presenting at International Conferences

| Instructor:   | Josie Dixon, Lucian Consulting  |                                  |
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| Time:         | Thursday, November 3, 2016:   | 09:30-12:30 & 13:30-16:30 (s.t.) |
|               | Friday, November 4, 2016:   | 09:30-12:30 & 13:30-16:30        |
| Place:        | Feldkirchenstr. 21, BAGSS seminar room FG1/00.06  |                                  |
|               | Feldkirchenstr. 21, BAGSS lecture room FG1/00.08  |                                  |
| Registration: | The number of participants is limited to 16. Therefore, please register early by  |                                  |
|               | sending a mail to Miriam Schneider ( <u>miriam.schneider@uni-bamberg.de</u> ).  |                                  |
|               | Registration deadline is Friday, October 14, 2016.  |                                  |
| Preparation:  | e: Participants need to prepare a short (5-minute) sample presentation on some  |                                  |
|               | aspect of their research for delivery on the 2nd day, which will be run as a mock-  |                                  |
|               | conference. The presentations should be representative (in miniature) of the type of paper you would expect to give in due course at a real conference, using |                                  |
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|               | PowerPoint, handouts etc. as appropriate. PowerPoint files will need to be brought  |                                  |
|               | to the workshop on a memory stick. Prepared handouts can be copied in the   |                                  |
|               | BAGSS office.   |                                  |
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## Description

This two-part workshop on writing and giving conference papers combines an introduction to international academic conferences, writing abstracts and preparing presentations, with a practical session on the second day (run as a mock-conference) in which participants have the opportunity to rehearse the delivery of their presentations, handle questions and receive feedback. The programme is as follows (there will be tea/coffee breaks and a lunch break):

Day 1:

- Ice breaker: how to not give a conference paper!
- o Identifying conferences in your subject
- o Submitting a paper
- What makes a good abstract?
- Writing your own abstract: key elements
- Writing the paper

- o Delivery
- Using PowerPoint (or equivalents)
- Handouts: when and how to use them
- Handling questions and feedback
- Getting the most out of conferences

## Day 2:

Mock conference:

- Participants' presentations, grouped into panel sessions
- Questions from the audience
- o Group feedback on presentations and abstracts, and discussion