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A K A D E M I E V A N W E T E N S C H A P P E N

Second KNAW NWO PhD event

Preliminary programme

Date: 5 June 2014, 9:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Venue: KNAW, The Trippenhuis, Kloveniersburgwal 29, 1011 JV Amsterdam ([route description](#))

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| 9:30 a.m. | Registration |
| 10:15 a.m. | Opening and welcome by KNAW and NWO |
| 10:30 a.m. | Welcome by Chinese Embassy, t.b.c. |
| 10:35 a.m. | Lecture: How to make a success of your PhD project |
| 11:05 a.m. | Success story: career after PhD |
| 11:15 a.m. | Coffee/tea and moving to breakout sessions |
| 11:30 a.m. | Start first round of breakout sessions (registration open to PhD candidates only) |

Dispute 1: Expectations of PhD and promoter

Working as a Chinese PhD candidate in the Netherlands means adjusting to the Dutch scientific system, to different customs and expectations. What is expected of you by this system and by your promoter? Equally important, what do you expect from your PhD project and from your promoter? Which problems does a Chinese PhD candidate encounter during a PhD project in the Netherlands? Sharing tips and tricks.

Dispute 2: Academic freedom and ethics

Doing research and publishing the results, brings responsibilities. How to handle these responsibilities and conflicting situations that may occur. Looking at: integrity, confidentiality against the necessity to share your data, verifiability of your data, freedom to publish your research results, open access publishing.

Workshop 1: Scientific writing (natural and life sciences)

In this workshop you will get tips and tricks you can use in the process of writing. Writing a scientific article or a chapter of your PhD thesis in a new environment with different customs and codes than you are used to, is challenging. At the end of the workshop you will have the structure or the index of an article or chapter you have to write. This workshop is focussed on research within the natural and life sciences.

Workshop 2: Scientific writing (social sciences and humanities)

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Workshop 3: Creative thinking for PhDs

Being creative and independent in formulating your research questions and in solving problems within your research are valuable skills in the Dutch academic system. This workshop will provide tools, tips and tricks in generating alternative ideas, that are unique and effective, and in exploring ways to confront problems, making new connections and looking at things from different angles.

Workshop 4: Pitching and networking

In this workshop you will learn how to present yourself and your research in a clear and inspiring way. This is very important, even more when you are working as a foreign researcher in a new country. You will get tips and tricks for your own 'elevator pitch' and for developing professional contacts.

1:00 p.m.	Lunch
2:00 p.m.	Start second round of breakout sessions (registration open to PhD candidates only) Dispute 1: Expectations of PhD and promoter Dispute 2: Academic freedom and ethics Workshop 1: Scientific writing (natural and life sciences) Workshop 2: Scientific writing (social sciences and humanities) Workshop 3: Creative thinking for PhDs Workshop 4: Pitching and networking
3:30 p.m.	Coffee/tea
4:00 p.m.	Success story: career after PhD – combining business and research
4:10 p.m.	Lecture: Furthering your career in academia – applying for grants
4:30 p.m.	Closing session: chair
4:45 p.m.	Reception