

Full costing:

best practice in Europe

Technology Centre ASCR invites you to a conference:

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DATE: 10 November, 2009

VENUE: Masarykova Kolej, Thakurova 1, Prague,
Czech Republic

TIME: 9.00 – 17.00

There is an increasing awareness of the importance of full costing throughout Europe. Most European universities have realized that full costing is an important step towards long-term financial sustainability. Strategic management decisions and growing demand for identifying the real costs of externally funded activities, combined with the requirements of some external fund providers, have driven universities to pay more attention to this issue.

In Europe, there are already several universities running full costing systems. However, many universities are still in the process of developing their full costing models. Development of such systems is a highly demanding process in terms of methodology, finances, personnel, time and the experience required. Therefore, exchange of knowledge and best practices between European institutions is of paramount importance.

The aim of this conference is to present existing full costing models from different European institutions (mainly universities) and thus help other institutions in the development of their own full costing methodologies. Speakers from the Netherlands, Great Britain, Spain, Germany, Austria and Portugal will share their experiences in the development, implementation and running of full costing systems. There will be a particular emphasis on the technical aspects (specific calculation and booking schemes, choice of cost drivers etc.). Also, some of the speakers will share their experiences during the certification of their methodologies for indirect costs by the European Commission, for the purpose of the Seventh Framework Programme for Research and Development. In addition the European Commission will present its view on the full costing issue.

The target audience of the conference is primarily representatives of European universities that are in the process of developing their full costing systems. Representatives from other institutions, mainly public research institutions, are also welcome.

You can register for the conference
until 5 November:
<http://geform.tc.cz/fcbestpractices/>

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE NUMBER
OF PARTICIPANTS IS LIMITED.

**CONFERENCE LANGUAGE IS ENGLISH.
INTERPRETATION IN CZECH WILL BE
PROVIDED.
NO CONFERENCE FEE.**

PROGRAMME



08:30 – 09:00 Registration and welcome of participants		
9:00 – 9:15	Introduction to the issue “full costing”	<i>Lenka Lepičová (NCP for financial issues in FP7, Technology Centre ASCR, Czech Republic)</i>
9:15 – 10:15	Full costing at Wageningen university	<i>Willem Wolters (Head of Wageningen International Helpdesk, Wageningen university, Netherlands)</i>
10:15 – 11:15	Full costing at University Leiden	<i>Paul Flach (Controller, Finance department, Leiden university, Netherlands)</i>
11:15 – 11:30 Coffee		
11:30 – 12:30	Full costing at University College London	<i>Tim Faehnrich (Systems Accountant, Research Services, Finance Division, University College London, Great Britain)</i>
12:30 – 13:30 Lunch		
13:30 – 14:30	Full costing at Telefónica	<i>José Luis Peña Sedano (Coordinator, Public Funding Management, R&D&Innovation Management, Telefónica, Spain)</i>
14:30 – 15:00	Full costing in FP7 (Certificate on Methodology)	<i>David Mejuto (Audit Administrator, Implementation of Audit Certification Policy, DG RTD European Commission)</i>
15:00 – 15:15 Coffee		
15:15 – 16:55	<p>Panel discussion</p> <p>Moderated by: <i>Willem Wolters (Head of Wageningen International Helpdesk, Wageningen university, Netherlands)</i></p>	<p><i>Paul Flach (Controller, finance department, Leiden university, Netherlands)</i></p> <p><i>Tim Faehnrich (Systems Accountant, Research Services, Finance Division University College London, Great Britain)</i></p> <p><i>José Luis Peña Sedano (Coordinator, Public Funding Management, R&D&Innovation Management, Telefónica, Spain)</i></p> <p><i>Manuela Gross (Head of Finance, Accounting & Controlling, Graz University, Austria)</i></p> <p><i>Luísa Fernandes Sal (Coordinator of Project Support Department, University of Aveiro, Portugal)</i></p> <p><i>Gunter Friedrich (Project Manager, Heidelberg Research Service, Heidelberg University, Germany)</i></p>
16:55 – 17:00 Conclusion		