

PLOTINA WINTER SCHOOL 2019

The Road from Reviewer to Editor in Food Science and Agriculture Journals

Date: 18–22 November 2019

PROGRAMME

Monday 18 Nov – Goal: Recognizing publishable papers; good vs. poor reviews

Morning Session 9.00 – 13.00

- 09.00 – 09.30 Registration
- 09.30 – 10.30 Welcome address – Introduction of class instructors and participants – Course overview
- 10.30 – 11.00 *Coffee break*
- 11.00 – 13.00 First things first: to be a good reviewer you should be a published author. How to become eligible to review. Becoming part of an Editorial Board.
- 13.00 – 14.00 *Lunch*

Afternoon Session 14.00 – 18.00

- 14.00 – 16:30 Practical exercises: Overview of good and bad papers submitted, the good vs. the poor review.
- 16.30 – 17.00 *Coffee break*
- 17.00 – 18.00 Group discussion and Q&A session

Tuesday 19 Nov – Goal: Reading scientific papers from an editor’s/reviewer’s point of view

Morning Session 9.00 – 13.00

- 9:30 – 10.30 Criteria for publishable scientific research papers: originality, innovation, scientific merit, scope.
- 10.30 – 11.00 *Coffee break*
- 11.00 – 13.00 Guides for Authors (GfA) and the integration of sex and gender variables in research
- 13.00 – 14.00 *Lunch*

Afternoon Session 14.00 – 18.00

- 14.00 – 16:30 Practical exercises:
1. Gender exercises.
 2. Reviewing with an eye to editing – how to.
 3. How to choose the right journal to publish in, or review for (based on GfA).
- 16.30 – 17.00 *Coffee break*
- 17.00 – 18.00 Group discussion and Q&A session



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Wednesday 20 Nov – Goal: Stepping into the Editor’s shoes – Reading with a view to final decision

Morning Session 9.00 – 13.00

- 09.00 – 10.30 Tips and tools for the editor: requirements, editing levels. Critical analysis of research papers (group roundtable discussion).
- 10.30 – 11.00 *Coffee break*
- 11.00 – 13.00 Meet the Editor: Dr. Shirin Heidari– experiences, Q&A
- 13.00 – 14.00 *Lunch*

Afternoon Session 14.00 – 18.00

- 14.00 – 16:30 Practical exercises – sample papers from peer-reviewed journals: What would you do with this paper?
- 16.30 – 17.00 *Coffee break*
- 17.00 – 18.00 Group discussion and Q&A session

Thursday 21 Nov – Goal: Editorial responsibility, working with publishers

Morning Session 9.00 – 13.00

- 09.00 – 10.30 Tips and tools for the editor: Ethics and publishing. Editorial vision in science publishing.
- 10.30 – 11.00 *Coffee break*
- 11.00 – 13.00 Meet the Editor: Prof. Jean-Marc Lobaccaro– experiences, Q&A
- 13.00 – 14.00 *Lunch*

Afternoon Session 14.00 – 18.00

- 14.00 – 16:30 Practical exercises: citing references; rewording, paraphrasing; “original” ideas. Why encourage someone to publish in your journal if you are the Editor-in-Chief?
- 16.30 – 17.00 *Coffee break*
- 17.00 – 18.00 Group discussion and Q&A session

Friday 22 Nov – Goal: “Improving your game”

Morning Session 9.00 – 13.00

- 09.00 – 10.30 Tips and tools for the editor: getting known in your field of research through other kinds of publishing strategies. Using Internet as a workplace. Alternatives to commercial (for profit) publishing (group roundtable discussion).
- 10.30 – 11.00 *Coffee break*
- 11.00 – 13.00 Meet the Editor: Prof. Mario Mazzocchi – experiences, Q&A
- 13.00 – 14.00 *Lunch*

Afternoon Session 14.00 – 18.00

- 14.00 – 15:30 Practical exercises: exploration of job sites for editors; thinking outside the box towards a better publishing model. Open Access in 2019. Group roundtable discussion.



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15.30 – 16.30 Group discussion and Q&A session

16.30 – 18.00 *Closing refreshment*



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