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## **“Workshop: How to write an effective abstract for a research paper”**

**Training agenda as part of the  
'Excellence Initiative – Research University' (IDUB)  
Programme**

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Participants will be able to improve an abstract by revising and editing it according to standards of international scholarship and publishing.

Training lasts for 6 teaching hours in total.

### **Target group:**

Academic staff employed in the research group and research and teaching group, working in the disciplines of social sciences and humanities.

### **Expectations of the participants:**

- English proficiency at B2 (upper-intermediate) or higher;
- Presenting a text of an article previously written (in English or Polish);
- Drafting an abstract for that text to revise at the workshop;
- Reading the articles: “What is an argument?” (Belcher 2009) and “The problem of the problem” (Williams).

### **Learning outcomes (refers to part 1 and 2):**

After completing the course, a participant will:

- know how to identify and express the main argument of a research paper;
- be capable of crafting a title and an abstract acceptable to the editors of a scholarly publication;
- understand and know how to implement the principles of collegial cooperation in writing.

### **Description of the class programme:**

Part 1 (Morning session) – lecture and discussion. An introduction to the creation of an abstract that will satisfy the requirements of journal editors and conference organizers. Based on two required readings (“What is an argument” and “The problem of the problem”), participants will analyse sample abstracts and draw lessons for their own work..

Part 2 (Afternoon session) – workshop. In advance of the training, participants will draft abstracts for texts they have written (in English or Polish). Working in teams under the supervision of the instructor, they will rewrite their own abstracts and critique those of their partners according to the guidelines developed in the training session.