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Dear fellow PhD candidates,

We hope you have had a good summer holiday and have come back to work refreshed and motivated to continue your research. There's a lot to look forward to, with two Discussion and Drinks events still to come up in 2017, and of course our annual PhD retreat! This newsletter also contains important information regarding the TSP guidelines. If anything is unclear or if you have questions about something else, please contact us.

Regards, The RIHS PhD council

Upcoming activities RIHS PhD retreat

Yearly, the RIHS PhD candidates gather for a two-day PhD retreat: the ideal opportunity to share your research (plans) with other PhD candidates, and get to know them better during the famous pubquiz. This year the keynote speaker is none other than Ronald Plasterk: former Minister of Education, Culture, and Science; and a former scientist specialized in molecular genetics.





There will also be a number of workshops focused on career and personal development. Fiona Godlee, editor in chief of The BMJ, will give a masterclass on 'How to get published'. Additionally, there will be a storytelling workshop by Radboud In'to Languages in which you will learn how to present your research in an attractive way.



We hope that many of you will attend this year's PhD retreat at a beautiful new venue. For more information and registration, follow this link. Don't forget to submit an abstract <u>before 13 October</u> if you want to present your research (plans)!

Date: 23 & 24 November 2017 Time: start around 16.00

Location: Golden Tulip Hotel Central, Den Bosch

Registration deadline: 13 October 2017



Discussion and Drinks: Forensic Epidemiology



This is already the third event in our 'Discussion and Drinks' format: an interactive lecture followed by drinks in the Aesculaaf to discuss the topic further, and meet with your fellow PhD candidates.

This time, we will discuss forensic epidemiology in criminal procedures. Michael Freeman, author of the

first-ever textbook on forensic epidemiology, will discuss several aspects of this new research field. Rolf Hoving, associate professor in criminal law, will talk about the use of expert evidence in criminal procedures. Imagine yourself in a world where Law & Order, CSI and Grey's Anatomy come together.

Afterwards there will be drinks in the Aesculaaf. The first two drinks are on us! Please sign up by sending an email to: PhDcouncilRIHS@radboudumc.nl.

Date: 9 October 2017

Registration deadline: 2 October 2017

Time: 15.00-17.00 (discussion), 17.00-18.30 (drinks)

Location: Auditorium, route 296 **Attendance:** Free of charge!

We can already announce that there will be another D&D on 13 December, discussing the Science in Transition movement, focusing on Open Access.

Open Day RIHS

During the national 'Weekend of Science', the RIHS organises an 'Open Day'. The general public can experience health research by demonstrations, guided tours, mini-lectures and a Science Café with science journalist Diederik Jekel. Many of you are helping out to make this day a success, but you are of course also very welcome to attend this day as a visitor with your friends or family! For more information visit the event's page.

Date: 7 October 2017
Time: 11.00 until 16.00
Location: Radboudumc





<u>Notifications</u>

TSP updates

Your training and supervision plan (TSP) is an important document that describes your research plans and tracks your progress in your PhD trajectory. The TSP committee checks all TSPs when PhD candidates start their PhD to ensure the quality of your PhD track by carefully reviewing your research plans and e.g. to make sure you are allowed enough time to attend courses and conferences (e.g. the annual PhD retreat). Although many find it a nuisance to complete, it is actually a document to support you as a PhD candidate!

If you started your PhD track after April 2016, your TSP should be uploaded on Hora est TSP. Every year, you will receive an automatic notification when it's time to submit a progress form. By submitting progress forms, you can see whether you are on schedule. We advise to discuss the TSP with your supervisor yearly, to make yourself aware of the changes in your plans and how this affects your progress.

Please note that PhD candidates who submitted their TSP before April 2016 should NOT submit TSPs or progress forms via Hora est TSP. They can submit the forms via email to RIHS@radboudumc.nl.

For more information on TSP guidelines, check the information on the RIHS website.

Impression ZonMw excursion

Last June, a group of RIHS PhD candidates visited ZonMw and 'het Binnenhof' in the Hague. We had a great time, learning about how grant application procedures are structured. During speed dates with ZonMw employees, we could ask our questions regarding grant applications, working at ZonMw and international collaborations.





Contact

If you have any questions, comments or input either for the newsletter or about the PhD trajectory in general, please feel free to contact us:

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