Focusing on a Research Career

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Focus

• Promotion
  • Know your REF UoA
  • Get UoA KPIs
  • Need resource

• To get Resource
  • Visibility = Focus on one community, one niche
  • Community = leaders, conferences, workshops, journals

• Multidisciplinary?
Get out

• Go to events
  • Identify target events by people (of your community)
  • Decide on objectives beforehand
  • Identify key players & do homework
    • Look up there pictures!
    • “I liked your paper on x and want to use it, how did you to do y?”
  • Go to the pub!

• Visit prestigious labs

• Collaborate on papers

• Write joint proposals
Workshops @international conferences

• Name it, e.g. “The 2\textsuperscript{nd} International Workshop on Advanced X”
• Have explicit goals
  • How does it help you?
  • All author taxonomy/review paper
    • Want citations = be inclusive!
    • Get consensus as to key ideas & structure before meeting (use well-sorted.org)
    • Agree writing roles and timelines before you leave.
  • Special edition of journal (helps to have journal editor)
• Horizon scanning
  • Get consensus
  • Send to Funders
  • Reference in grant applications
• Be inclusive (buy-in = citations)
Summary

• Focus
  • Identify your home community and it’s leads
• Get out and about
  • Be explicit about aims
• Use well-sorted.org ;)

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