



**“FUNNELLING POST-CONFERENCE EXCITEMENT INTO CONCRETE NEXT steps for achieving your career and research objectives”**

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**Expected participant:** 30

**Duration:** One day

**Abstract**

The benefits of attending international scientific conferences are numerous and they should be long-lasting. Conferences provide you with an incredible platform to present your most recent work to international peers, they are an opportunity to learn about advances in your field, to connect to the community of scientists and practitioners in your field, to discuss and deliberate on exciting new topics and be inspired by keynote speakers and their work. It is far too easy, however, to underutilise the opportunities that conference interactions offer. All too often we return home charged by the conference experience, but in the absence of something specific, solid and attainable to concretize that excitement, it quickly fizzles, and the routine of our regular everyday work gradually takes over. This post-conference workshop is aimed at helping ATBC 2019 conference participants make the most of their attendance by immediately funnelling their excitement into very specific products and outcomes that benefit their research and career objectives. Aimed mostly at Africa and Madagascar Rufford Small Grant recipients (but open to any other ATBC attendant), the one-day workshop will help participants identify how to convert the new ideas and connections into meaningful research and writing collaborations, how to maintain collaborations across distance and over time, how to write compelling grant proposals for conservation research and communicate your findings effectively. Funded by the Rufford Foundation, this one-day training workshop will be conducted on Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> of August 2019. Up to 27 participants can attend. Accommodation for one night and meals for the extra day will be available for all participants through the generous support of the Rufford Foundation.

