

WORKSHOP TITLE: How to get the most out of collaborations with non-academic institutions

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WORKSHOP SUMMARY:

Most academics collaborate in some way with non-academic institutions. Collaborating with or working for a non-academic institution can be a great way to ensure your research is relevant to real-world problems. Non-academic institutions (NAIs) can help with funding, research infrastructure, ideas, and implementation of results. But, academia doesn't always prepare us well for working with NAIs.

In this workshop for students and early career professionals, speakers from NAIs and academia will speak about getting the most out of collaborations. Experts will address a range of topics, including:

- Advantages/disadvantages of collaborating with NAIs
- Funding your research
- Expectations/objectives of NAIs vs. academia
- Meeting the research needs of an NAI
- Reasons for success/failures in collaborations with NAI
- How to ensure your results and recommendations get implemented.

A panel discussion and question period will follow the presentations.

SPEAKERS INCLUDE:

Dylan Kesler: Assistant Professor of Fisheries and Wildlife at the University of Missouri.

Susan Farabaugh: Program Manager for the San Clemente Loggerhead Shrike Captive Breeding Program with the San Diego Zoo's Center for Conservation Research.

Nicola Koper: Assistant Professor, National Resources Institute, University of Manitoba

Ellen Paul: Executive Director, Ornithological Council

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