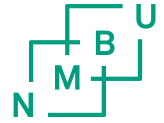


Secrets on how to win in the NFR lottery...

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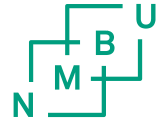




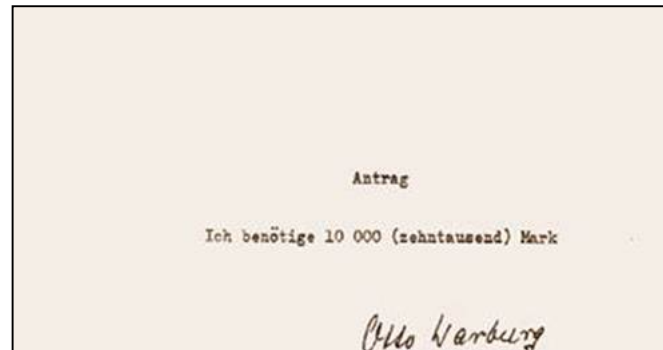
Take home message

All it takes is hard work 😊
(and some strategic thinking)

Oh, and a bit of luck...



The good old days...



Project types in FriPro



1. Toppforsk projects:

-established professor (next call 2017)

2. Research projects:

(>6 yrs post-PhD) group leader/professor
–up to four years (NOK 5-10 mill)

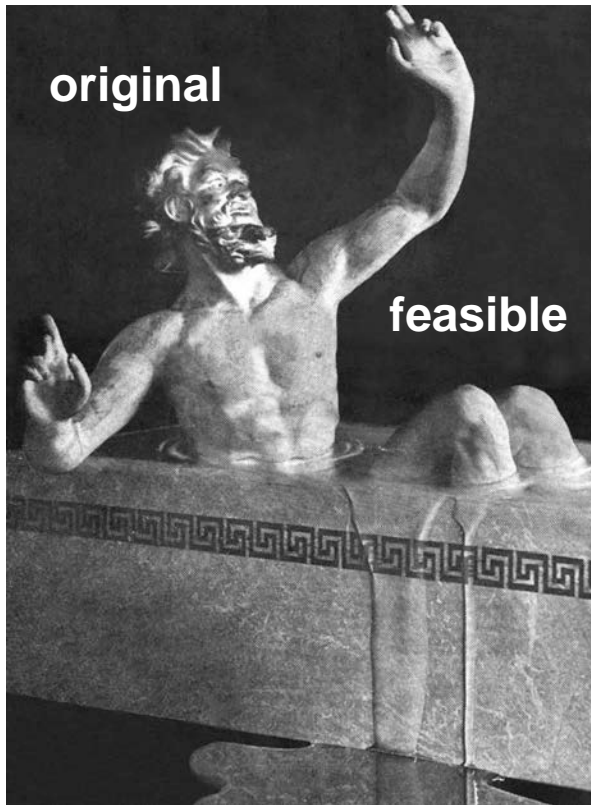
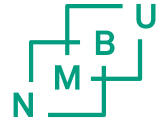
3. Young research talents:

(2-8 yrs post-PhD, < 40 yrs) experienced postdoc/group leader
–up to four years (NOK 4-8 mill)

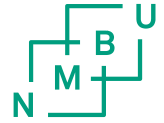
4. Mobility stipend:

(0-6 yrs post-PhD) –two yrs abroad, followed by one year in Norway

What you need is a (reasonably) good idea ...and a CV



Spend some time on this

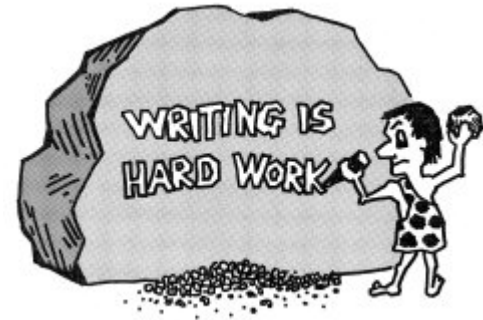


Getting started

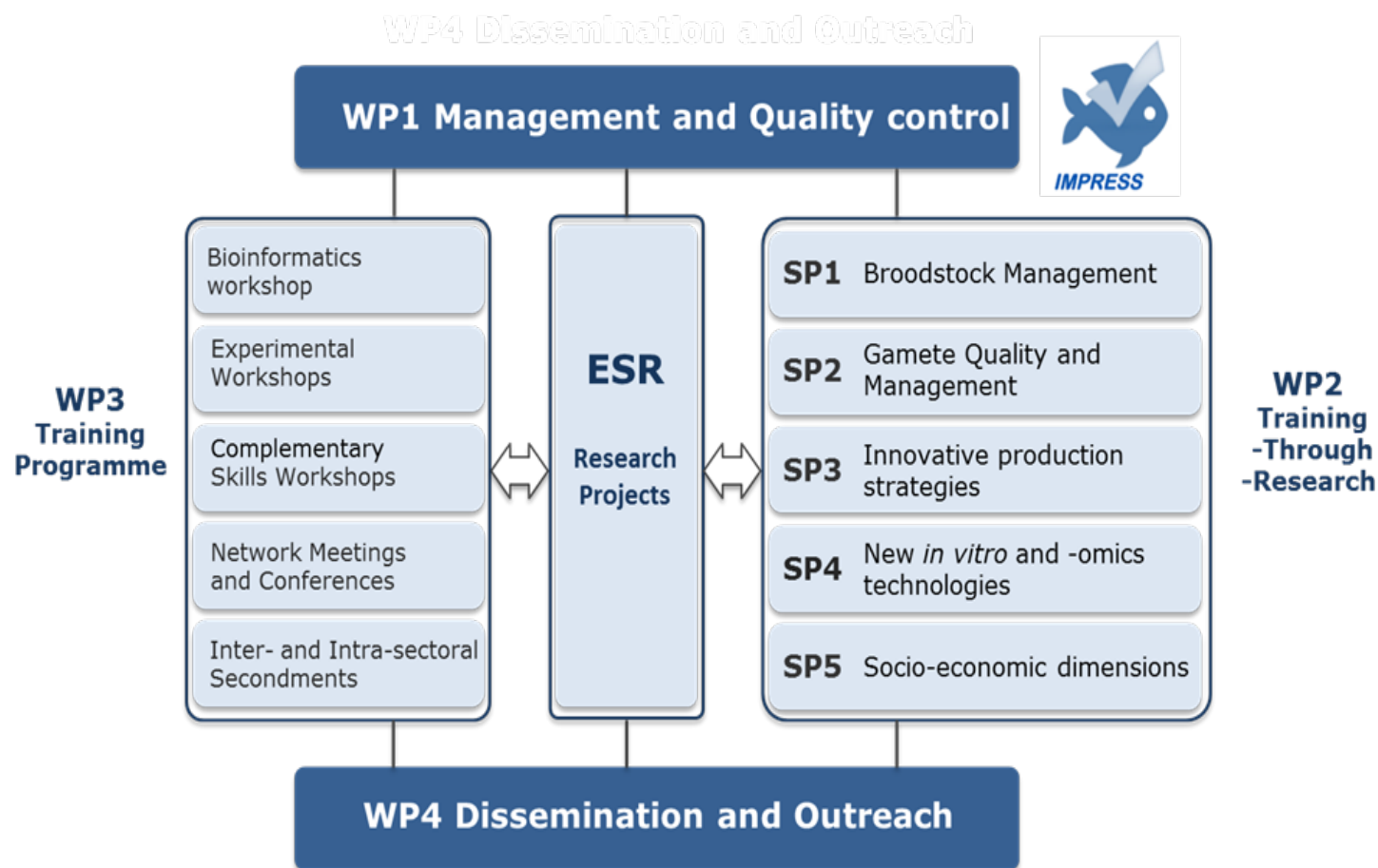
- www.forskningsradet.no
- Start early (>3-4 months)
- Read call text properly (thematic programmes)
- Carefully choose your partners
- Mandatory meeting between partners
- Support letters and CVs (your own and partners')
- Budget...

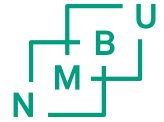
Project description

- You're selling a concept, not detailed lab protocols
- First paragraph on page 1 is crucial
- Pilot experiments / preliminary results are necessary
 - include in text
 - hypothesis
 - feasibility
- Include figures (high quality)
- Use your colleagues...



If complex, include organogramme

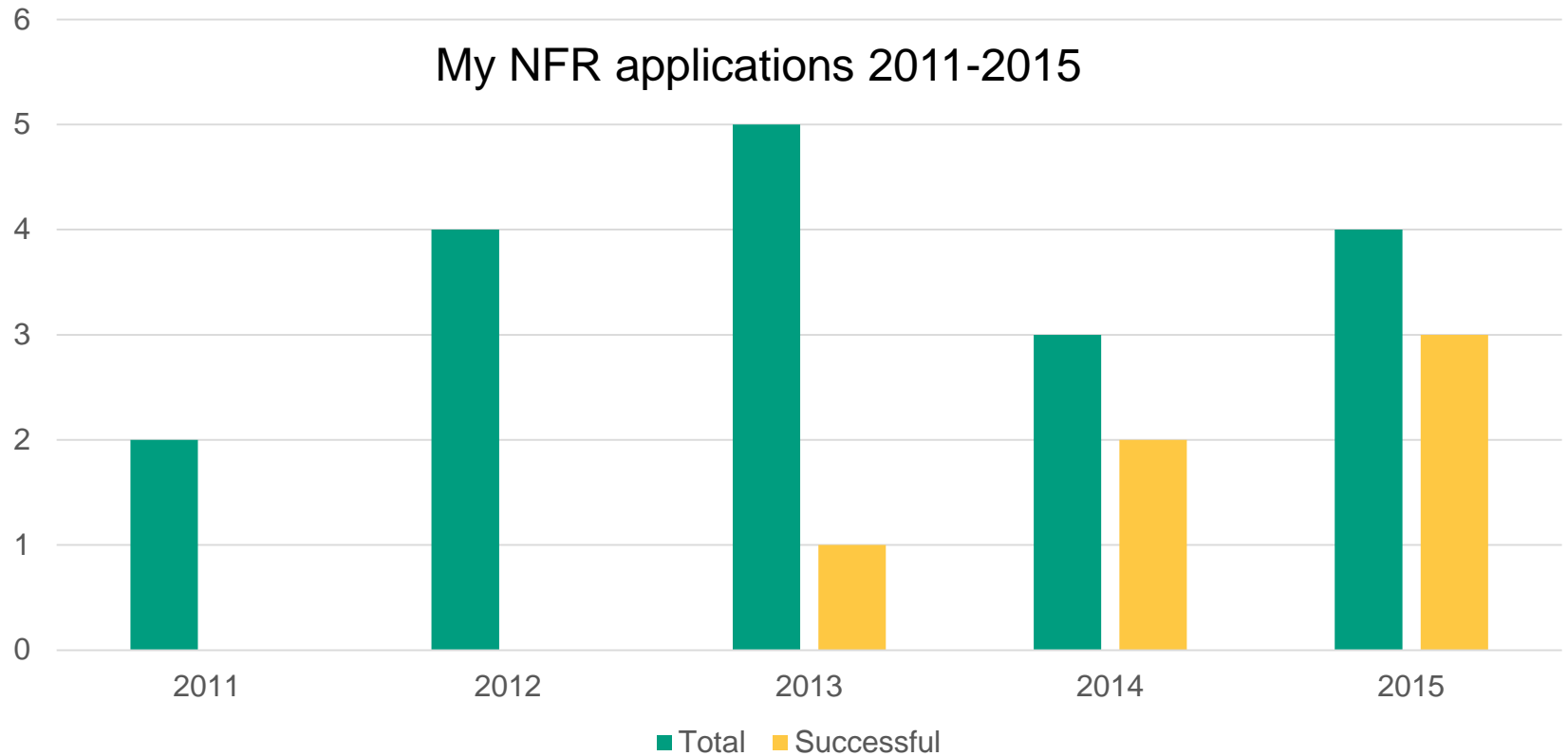


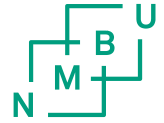


Other relevant issues

- If possible, choose partners from existing network (your own or your supervisor's)
- Have project concept ready before inviting partners
- NFR (sometimes) like cross-disciplinary or cross-sectorial research
 - Non-academic partners
 - Social science partners

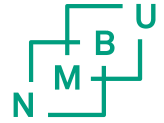
It pays off to be stubborn





But can be tough...

- Don't give up!
- Never take rejections personal
- Send many applications
 - submit related projects to different programs (e.g. FriPro & Havbruk)
 - resubmission of previously rejected applications...?



Summary

- Writing grant applications takes time...

Questions?

