Rhetoric - An Introduction to Theory and Practice

**Objective**
A trainer with both a very intercultural and a solid academic background as well with years of experience will guide participants through practical steps to understand the essence of rhetoric, identify which rhetorical strategies might best suit their needs and practice rhetorical techniques.

**Description**
Eloquence and rhetorical skills are a pre-requisite for academic success and professional advancement.

But what is rhetoric? What are the key rhetorical techniques available? How can one practice them to her or his advantage?

This online workshop provides a general introduction to the idea of rhetoric and its conceptual background, it explores different rhetorical techniques and their objectives, it provides an opportunity to individually prepare to translate theory into practice and allows the participants to practice and receive feedback together with the others.

The online workshop covers:

- What rhetoric actually is and how it has been developed and conceptualized
- Understanding how the audience responds and how to adapt accordingly – the rhetorical situation
- Which rhetorical theories can be employed to achieve different goals - the rhetorical triangle
- How to implement and practice rhetorical techniques to best suit one’s own needs
- Tailor-made one-to-one practice and feedback with the trainer to achieve faster and better results

**Methodology**

**First day:** Participants attend the workshop all together as a single group.

**Second day:** Participants join the trainer for a series of one-to-one-sessions characterized by a dedicated tailor-made approach.

- Theoretical sessions for the analytical framework
- Role-play and practical hands-on exercises
- Work with a partner through a “buddy system”
- Group exercises and working in plenum
- One to one sessions for individual feedback

**Organizational Information**

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**Trainer**

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- Extensive expertise in leading workshops with special focus on communication skills
- Education at the universities of London (SOAS), Paris (Sciences Po) and Berlin (FU Berlin)
- Research Associate, Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford
- Associate Professor (visiting), Tsinghua University
- Over 10 years of experience leading workshops (both in person and online)
- Has lived in eleven countries across four continents