## Key areas for the 2019 Steering Group:

- Power Abuse. Addressing issues and finding solutions
- N<sup>2</sup>-Network of Networks. Strengthen our activities with the Helmholtz and Leibniz PhD networks with a joint PhD survey, a big interdisciplinary conference (Save the date 13-15.11.2019) and by engaging in discussions about the future of doctoral education
- Communication. Using established communication channels with administration and directors to improve working conditions
- On-boarding. Efficiently providing important information and assistance to new doctoral researchers
- Open Access. Revive the open ambassadors programme and enhance public outreach
- Section Events and Resources. Coordinating resources through the PhDnet sections (Humanities and Social Sciences, Biomedical Sciences, Chemistry, Physics & Technology) that meets the professional needs of the various fields and disciplines of Max Planck doctoral researchers

We appreciate your time and commitment to Max Planck PhDnet and will share additional information regarding these areas in the near future. In the meantime, updates about our activities and interesting events are regularly posted on our social media channels. So like us on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and LinkedIN and be always up to date!

If you have questions, concerns or comments, please feel free to contact us.

We are looking forward to working with you this year!

Your 2019 Steering Group,

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