
Martin Bunček

RNDr. Martin Bunček, Ph.D.
Director at Technology Agency of the Czech Republic

Expertise and focus:	Previously molecular genetics, DNA/RNA analysis, gene therapy, sequencing and small RNA. For last 15 years the research policy including research proposal assesment, program management and evaluation, academics and business connection and collaboration.
Form of mentoring meetings:	Either way, online or offline
Has an experience in:	Academic career, Career in the private sector, Career in the public sector
	Link to CV

Previous mentoring experience:	When I was working in a biotech company, I was mentoring students working in company for short internships and for qualifications (bachelor and diploma work). Recently I am working as mentor I work as mentor at Byron works mentoring new public servants. As a manager I am using mentoring techniques in my daily work as well.
Motivation:	Hope to share my experiences from different fields with young people looking for interdisciplinary experiences.
Career guidance topics you can discuss with the mentor:	• Differences between academic and non-academic careers • Navigating the job market, employment opportunities • Career change, change of field • Identifying and utilizing one's skill set • Creating a career plan, strategy
Research related experience the mentor is ready to share with the mentee:	• Writing popular science articles • Management of science and research in an academic institution • Consultation on preparation for a job interview • Innovative teaching methods • Networking - introducing people in the field • Utilizing the potential of international internships, conferences, etc. • Transition from academia to the private sector • Consultation on required competencies for the private sector • Validating a business idea • How to find an investor for your startup • Establishing an academic spin-off