GOBLET (Global Organisation for Bioinformatics Learning, Education & Training) was established in 2012 by a group of international & national societies & networks to offer an umbrella for bioinformatics, biocuration, biocomputing & computational biology (B³CB) learning, education & training.

Our Mission

- **To provide** a global, sustainable support & networking infrastructure for bioinformatics trainers & trainees (including a training portal for sharing materials, tools, best practice documents, etc.)
- **To facilitate** capacity development in bioinformatics in all countries
- **To develop** standards & guidelines for bioinformatics education & training
- **To act** as a hub for fund gathering
- **To reach** out to teachers at high schools, to bridge the gap to the next generation of bioinformaticians
- **To foster** the international community of B³CB trainers

Our Ethos Embraces

- **inclusivity** (welcoming all relevant organisations, networks, societies)
- **sharing** (expertise, best practice, materials, tools, compute resources)
- **openness** (using Creative Commons Licence)
- **innovation** (welcoming imaginative ideas & approaches)
- **tolerance** (transcending national, political, cultural & social boundaries)

Our Themes Include

- **Quality** (of training, training resources & trainers)
- **Accreditation**
- **Incentivisation** (recognition)
- **Training methods**
- **Outreach**
- **Sustainability** (funding)
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Committee Structure & Activities

Responding to a recognised need to coordinate a spectrum of world-wide training activities, we aim to share, not duplicate effort; to share, not duplicate cost; to work together towards common solutions & a sustainable future.

Learning, Education & Training Committee
- Developing & sharing best practice in teaching & learning methods, & providing curriculum guidance
- Providing recognition, support structures & resources for trainers, including materials, methods & train-the-trainer programmes

Outreach & PR Committee
- Promoting GOBLET’s mission, training resources, activities & events
- Maintaining social networking interactions & galvanising the community to participate in GOBLET initiatives

Standardisation Committee
- Providing accreditation mechanisms for learners & trainers, to better signpost the wide range of available training programmes
- Increasing the overall quality of training programmes

Fund-raising Committee
- Stimulating collaborative projects within GOBLET & the training community
- Raising funds to sustain GOBLET

Technical Committee
- Providing a support infrastructure for trainers & trainees
- Maintaining an open Training Portal for the community

Main Achievements
- Launched the GOBLET Training Portal
- Established a poster track for education at ISMB
- Presented our first ISMB education poster
- Published two collaborative papers
- Won a Canadian grant to fund our next meeting in Toronto

Committee Leadership

Learning Education & Training
Nicky Mulder, Chair
Celia van Gelder, Vice Chair

Outreach & PR
Erik Bongcam-Rudloff, Chair

Standardisation
Pascale Gaudet, Chair

Fund-raising
Patricia Palagi, Chair

Technical
Manuel Corpas, Chair

Training Portal
www.mygoblet.org/training-portal

GOBLET interim meeting, hosted by iSCB, Berlin, July 2013