

National Annex Switzerland - SNSF

Country	Switzerland
Funding organisation	Swiss National Science Foundation www.snf.ch
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Funding commitment	The SNSF has earmarked a budget of 1.2 million Swiss Franc over three years (currently equivalent to 0.98 Mio €). The Swiss amount will not be adjusted to reflect conversion rate changes.
Anticipated number of fundable research groups	Up to 4 research groups
Eligibility of project duration	Up to 36 months
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Refer to SNSF Funding Regulations http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/allg_reglement_e.pdf Please note: The SNSF exclusively funds research conducted for purposes which are not directly commercial. Pursuant to the Research and Innovation Promotion Act RIPA and the legal framework of the SNSF, no research grants are awarded if the relevant research is conducted for directly commercial purposes or if the persons involved in the research work do not enjoy scientific independence. For eligibility check please contact the national contact person identified above.
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	Refer to SNSF Funding Regulations http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/allg_reglement_e.pdf Please note: Besides the eligibility check, the SNSF proceeds to a material check. On one hand, this refers to the applicant's experience and research activity during several years as well as the demonstration of their scientific independence (Art. 12, Funding regulations). Moreover, the material check ensures that the submitted proposal can be evaluated in detail, more particularly that it shows no obvious insufficiency in any of the scientific evaluation criteria (Art.17 of the aforementioned regulations). In case of several overlapping projects, all projects must significantly distinguish themselves from each other (Art. 15 of the same regulations). For eligibility check please contact the national contact person identified above.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Refer to SNSF Funding Regulations and to General Implementation Regulations http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/allg_reglement_e.pdf http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/allg_ausfuehrungsreglement_e.pdf Please note: Overhead contributions cannot be applied for. They are calculated on the basis of the research funding acquired by eligible institutions under eligible funding schemes. Contributions are paid in retrospect at a flat rate.
Submission of the proposal at the national level	Submission of the formal proposal at national level will be carried out once the international evaluation is finalized. The Swiss project partner(s) will then be invited by the SNSF to submit the proposal(s).