

The new Sinergia instrument: Important changes

	Sinergia up to now	Interdisciplinary research up to now	The new Sinergia instrument
Aim and scope	Collaborative research projects	Interdisciplinary research projects	Collaborative, interdisciplinary research projects with potential for breakthrough research
Maximum grant duration	3 years	3 years	4 years
Maximum grant awarded	No restrictions	No restrictions	CHF 3.2 million
Number of applicants	Min. 3, max. 4 research groups	No restrictions	Min. 2, max. 4 applicants
Eligibility	Several years of independent research after PhD, employed at the time of application. Employment during the entire grant duration.	Several years of independent research after PhD, employed at the time of application. Employment during the entire grant duration.	4 years after PhD, employed during the entire grant duration. The applicants forming a consortium must have adequate experience in managing projects.
Specific restrictions	Ambizione grant holders excluded	Ambizione grant holders excluded	Ambizione grant holders excluded. SNSF professors excluded in the first two years
Number of proposals / project	One Sinergia project or proposal per submission deadline	No restrictions if the projects are clearly different	One Sinergia project or proposal per submission deadline
Evaluation	Specialised Committee Interdisciplinarity (FA ID) is responsible. Conducts its own evaluation as part of the extended Sinergia panel	FA ID is responsible	FA ID (evaluation committee of international experts) is responsible
Reporting	Scientific and financial report every 12 months and a final	Scientific and financial report every 12 months and a final	Financial report every 12 months, scientific report after 24 months

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