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13 November 2025

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Programme

Presentations

Schedule	Subjects
09:00 – 09:10	Welcome speech
09:10 – 09:35	Innosuisse Instrument – National projects
09:35 – 10:00	Open Access
10:00 – 10:25	Supplementary measures

Programme

Q&A sessions

Schedule	Subjects and links for the Q&A sessions
10:30 – 11:15	<u>Innosuisse Instrument – National projects</u> <u>Open Access</u> <u>Supplementary measures</u>

Links available on
[SNSF & Innosuisse funding
scheme events \(snf.ch\)](#)

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- If you're experiencing technical problems, you can contact us using the chat function.
- The presentations are recorded (only the slides and the voice/video of the speakers).
- The slides and recordings of all presentations will be available on our website in the days after each event.
- Immediately after each presentation, we will only be able to take a very limited number of questions. Use the chat!
- For further questions, please use the **Q&A session** for the scheme you are interested in. These sessions will take place after the last presentation. You'll find all the links on our website.

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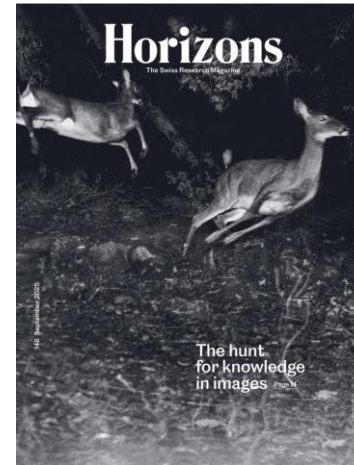
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MOVING THE WORLD WITH SWISS INNOVATION

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Project Funding Coordinator

13.11.2025



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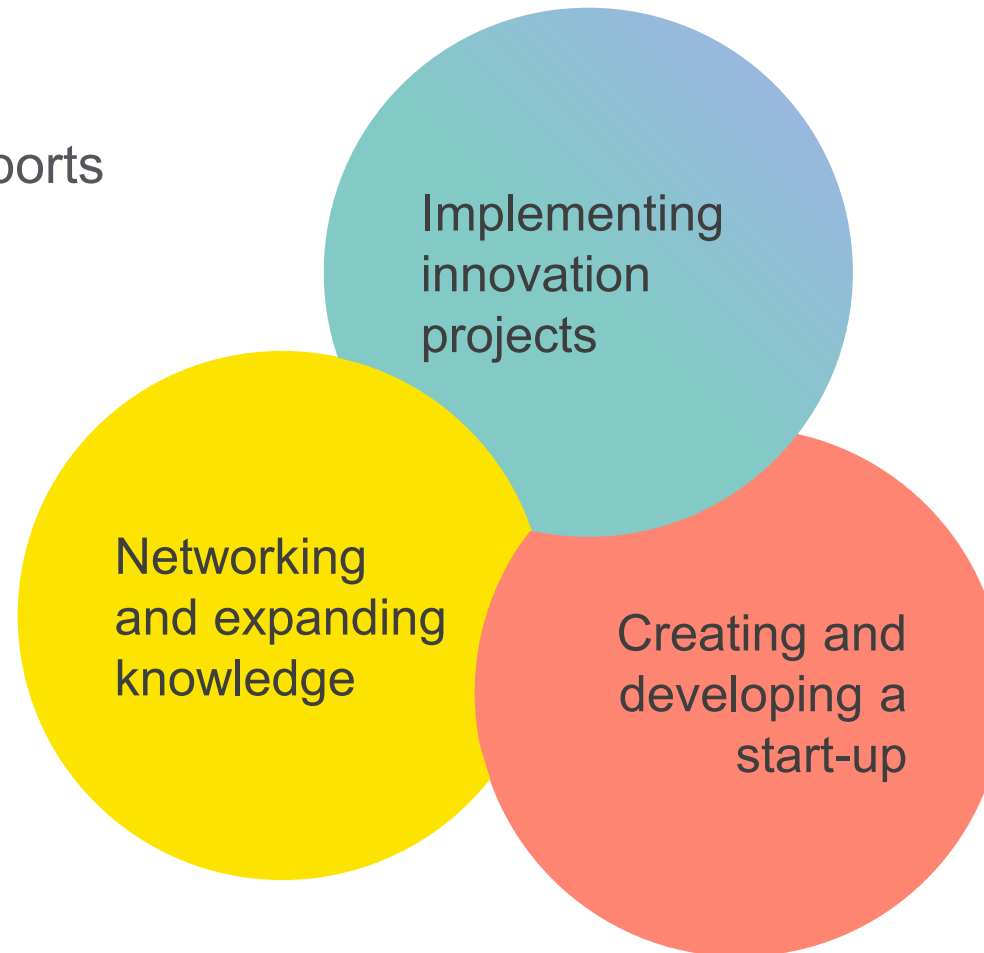
Innosuisse is the Swiss Confederation's agency for promoting innovation.

OUR MANDATE

Innosuisse promotes **science-based innovation in the interest of the economy and society** in Switzerland – in all disciplines.

INNOSUISSE – YOUR PARTNER FOR INNOVATION

How Innosuisse supports
your science-based
innovation:



IMPLEMENTING INNOVATION PROJECTS

WITH RESEARCH AND BUSINESS
PARTNERS IN SWITZERLAND

OR ALONE AS A RESEARCHER

INNOVATION PROJECTS

INNOVATION PROJECTS WITH
NO IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER

INNOVATION PROJECT BETWEEN COMPANIES AND RESEARCH INSTITUTES

INNOVATION PROJECTS

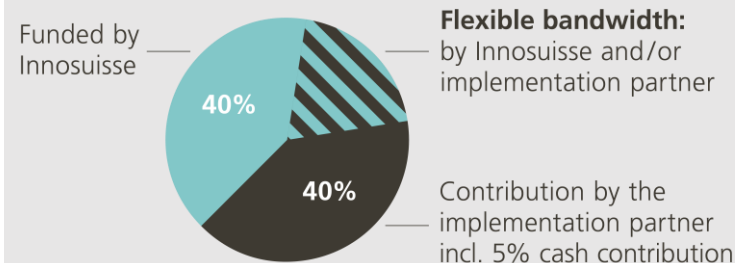
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER
(industry partner, SME, NGO, administration)

RESEARCH INSTITUTE

INNOVATION PROJECT

Duration: no limit, usually 6 to 36 months

Project costs: amount unlimited



MARKET IMPLEMENTATION OF INNOVATION

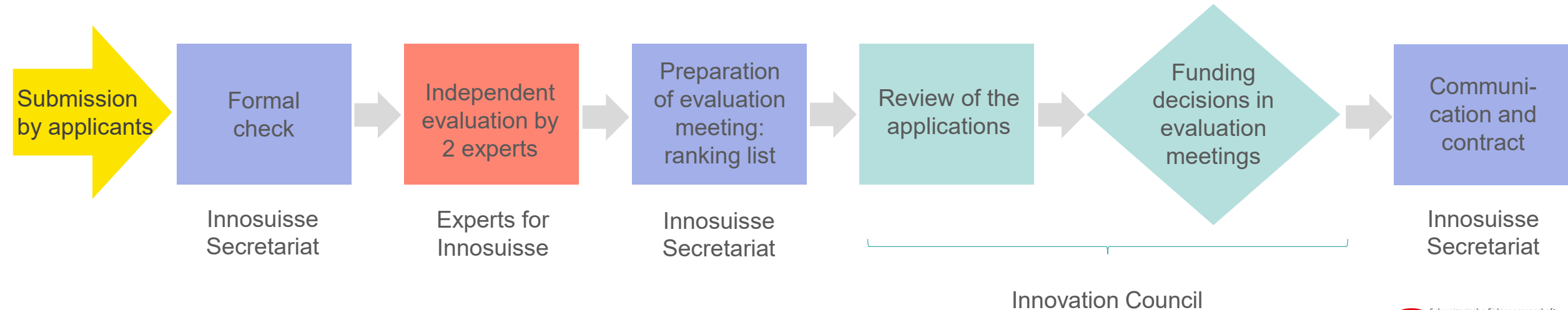


Submit an application:

[Carry out innovation projects with implementation partners](#)

INNOVATION PROJECTS EVALUATION PROCESS

Evaluation duration (in weeks)



INNOVATION PROJECTS ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

TWO INDEPENDENT EVALUATIONS

Evaluation expert 1

Evaluation expert 2

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

- ✓ Innovation degree
- ✓ Sustainability and value creation in Switzerland
- ✓ Methodology and team competences

The Innovation Council takes
its independent decision

INNOVATION PROJECT WITHOUT AN IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER

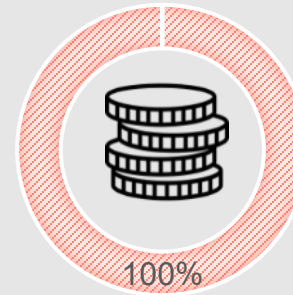
PROJECTS WITHOUT IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER

RESEARCHERS

- who, during their research work, have come across an innovative idea with great market potential;
- who have not yet found a partner for implementation on the market;
- You can apply for financial support for feasibility studies, prototypes and testing facilities – especially for high-risk projects with strong innovation potential.

INNOVATION PROJECT

Duration: Max. 18 months



■ Funded by Innosuisse

FUTURE MARKET

IMPLEMENTATION OF INNOVATION



Submit your application online:

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INNOVATION PROJECTS W/O IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

TWO INDEPENDENT EVALUATIONS

Evaluation expert 1

Evaluation expert 2

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

- ✓ Above average innovation potential
- ✓ Above-average value creation and prospects of convincing potential implementation partners of the attractiveness of an economic use of the research results
- ✓ High risks involved for the implementation of the innovation on the market at the current state of research

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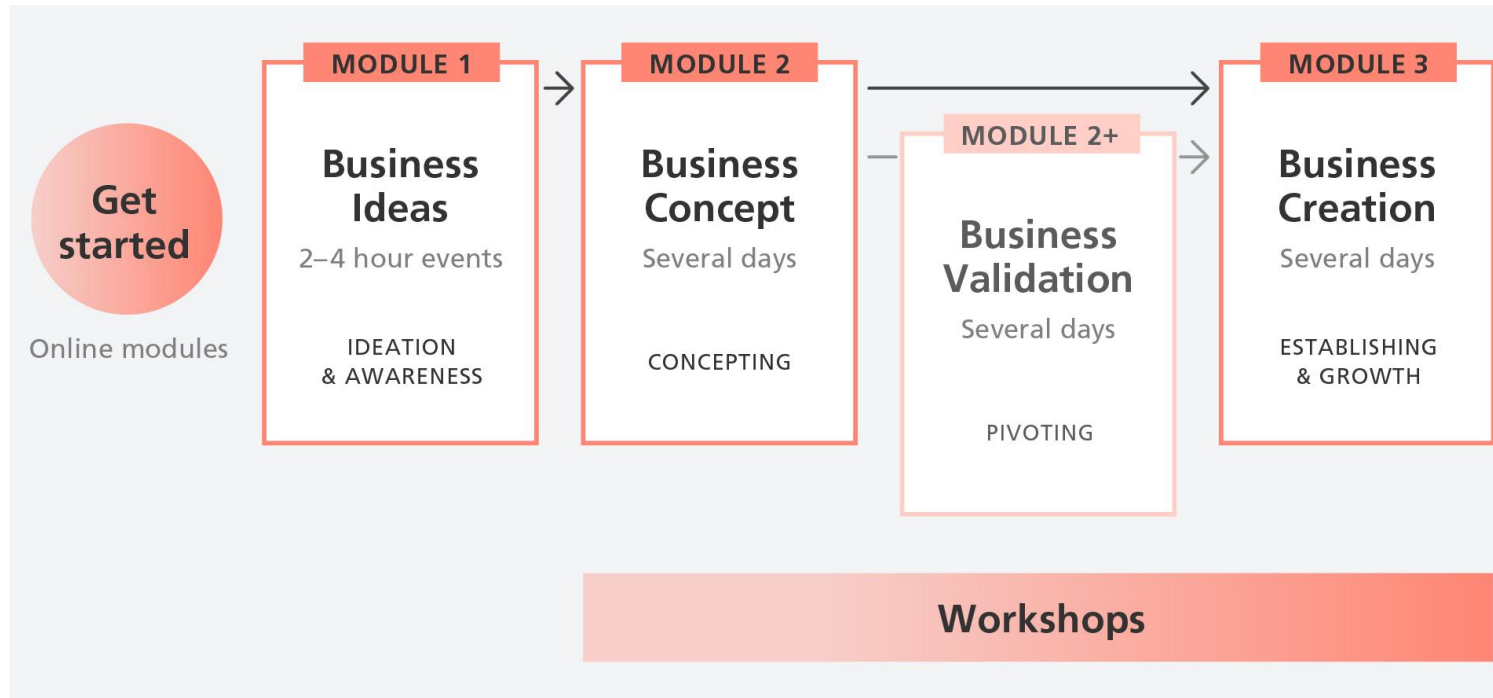
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CREATING AND DEVELOPING A START-UP

ENTREPRENEURSHIP
TRAINING

DEVELOP YOUR BUSINESS IDEA WITH THE ENTREPRENEURSHIP TRAINING

ENTREPRENEURSHIP TRAINING



More info:

[Entrepreneurship Training](#)

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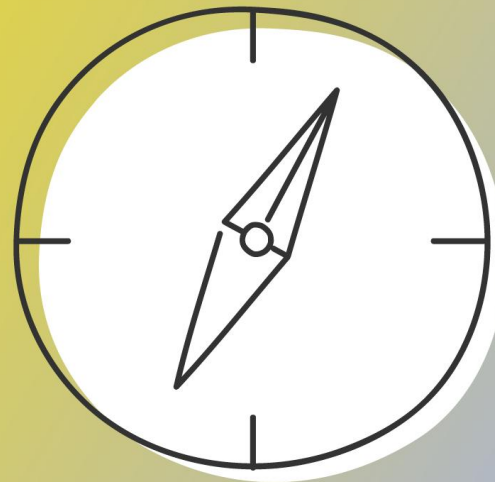
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THE INNOSUISSE GUIDE HELPS YOU FIND THE RIGHT SUPPORT OFFER IN JUST A FEW STEPS

**Navigation
for your
innovation**

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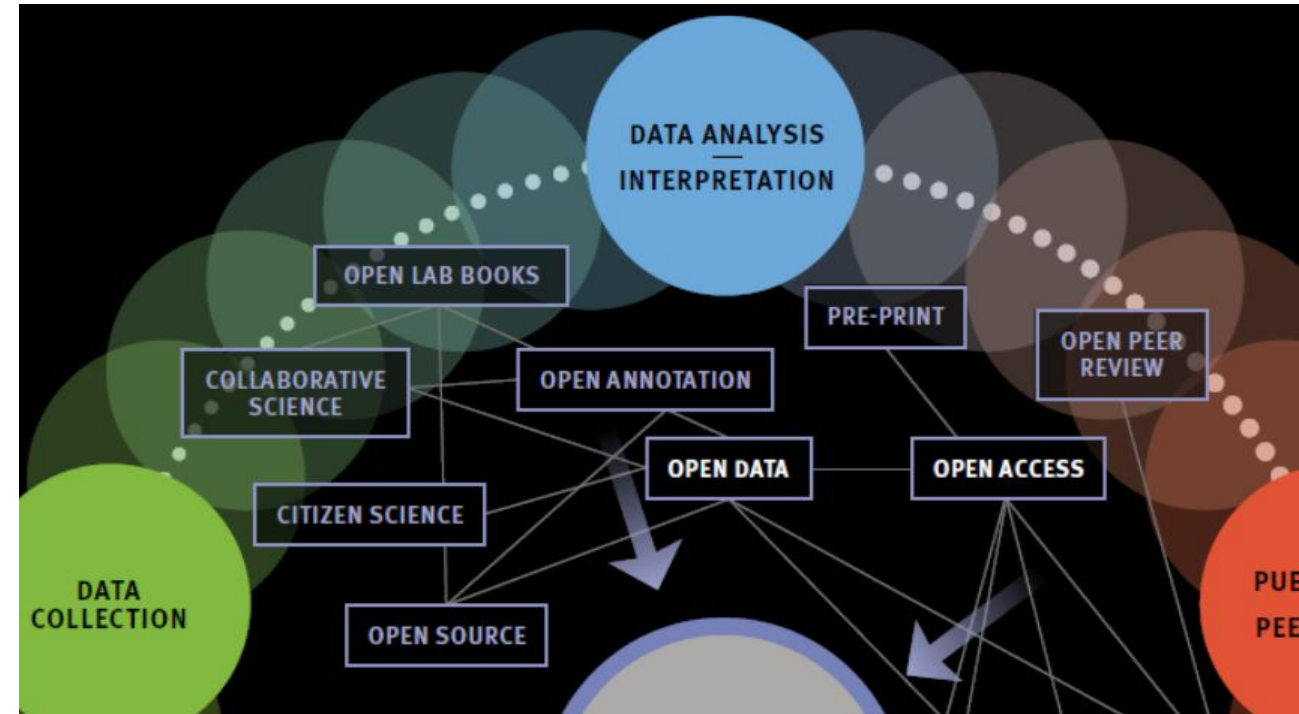
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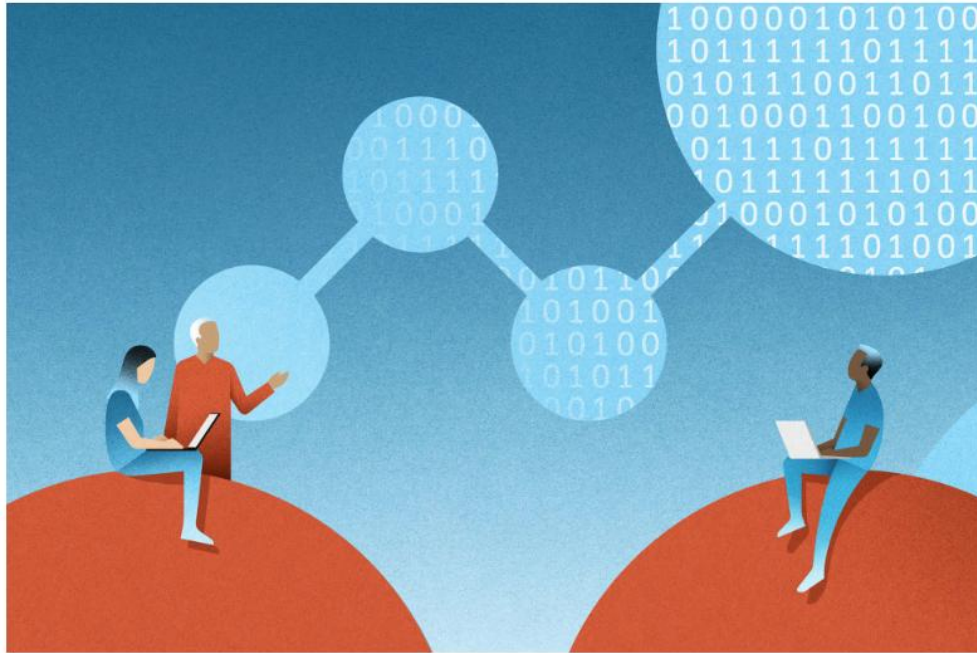


OPEN ACCESS FUNDING BY THE SNSF

Tobias Philipp
Open Access Coordinator

13 November 2025

Open Science



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Data and publications must be freely accessible.

Research funded by the public should be publicly accessible as far as possible and free of charge. The SNSF is committed to this goal. Open Science is the umbrella term for all efforts aimed at achieving more openness in science and the necessary paradigm shift, e.g. open access to publications and open data as well as the transition towards research funding based on DORA principles.

- [Open Access to Publications](#)
- [Open Research Data](#)

<https://www.snf.ch/en/dah3uC2QX95tfPNd/topic/open-science>

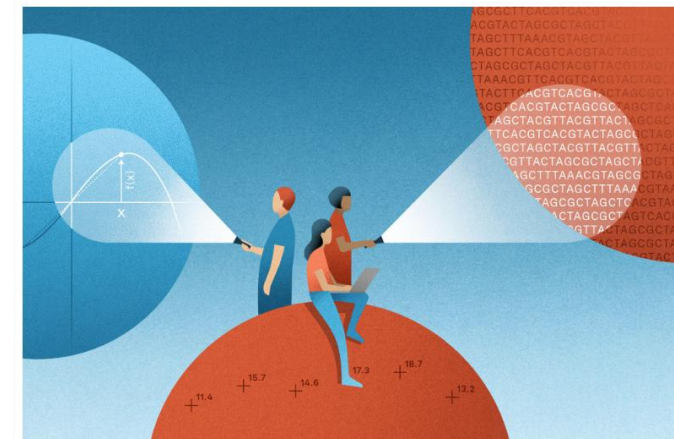
Open access publications – beneficial for research, business and society



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The SNSF requires researchers to publish the results of funded projects in a freely accessible format. This means that new knowledge is immediately visible and can be utilised quickly. The publication costs are covered by the SNSF.

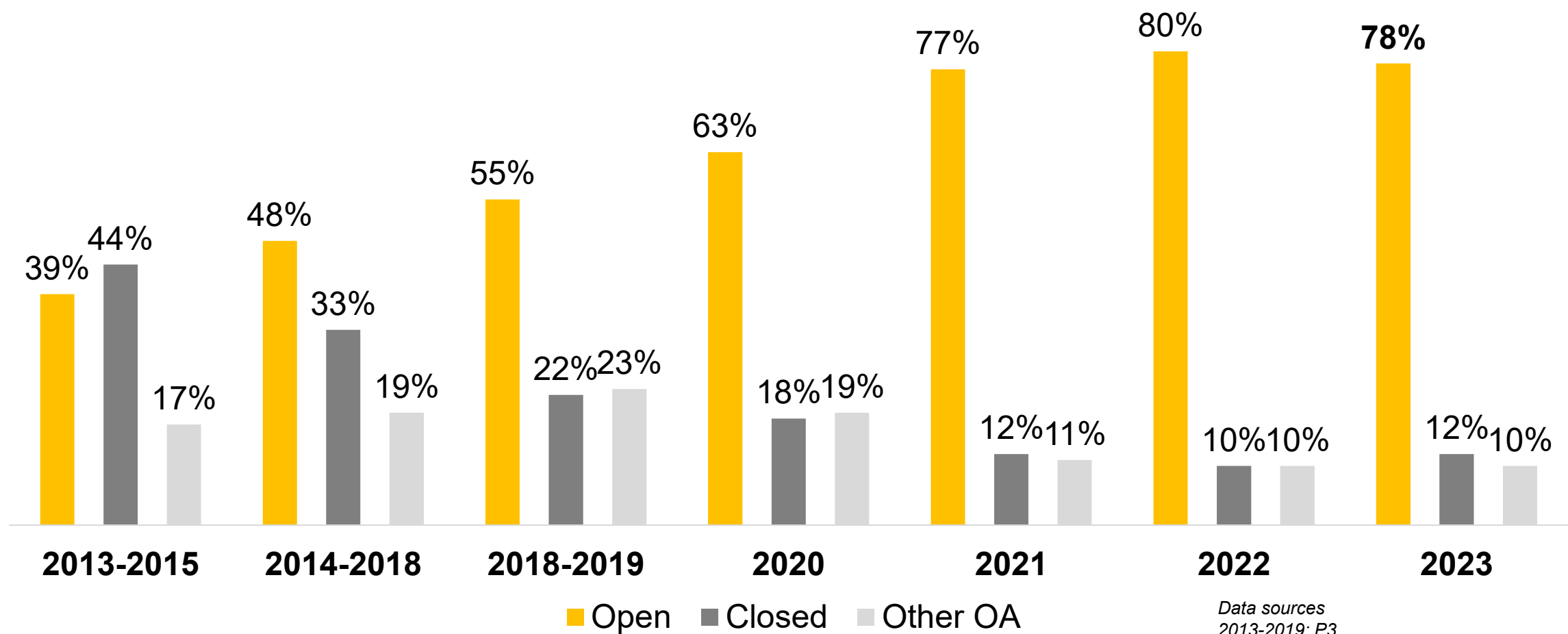
Open Research Data



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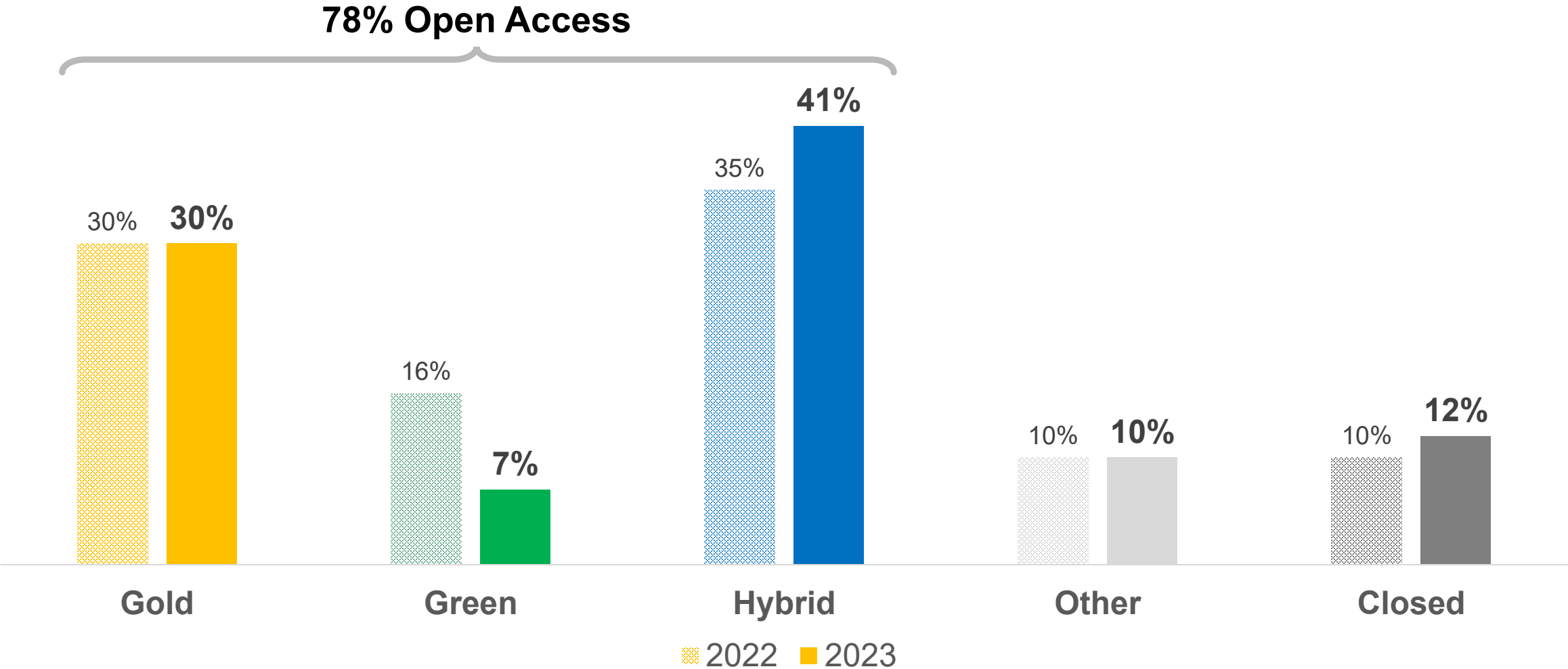
Research data should be freely accessible to everyone – for scientists as well as for the general public.

SNSF Open Access Monitoring – Development



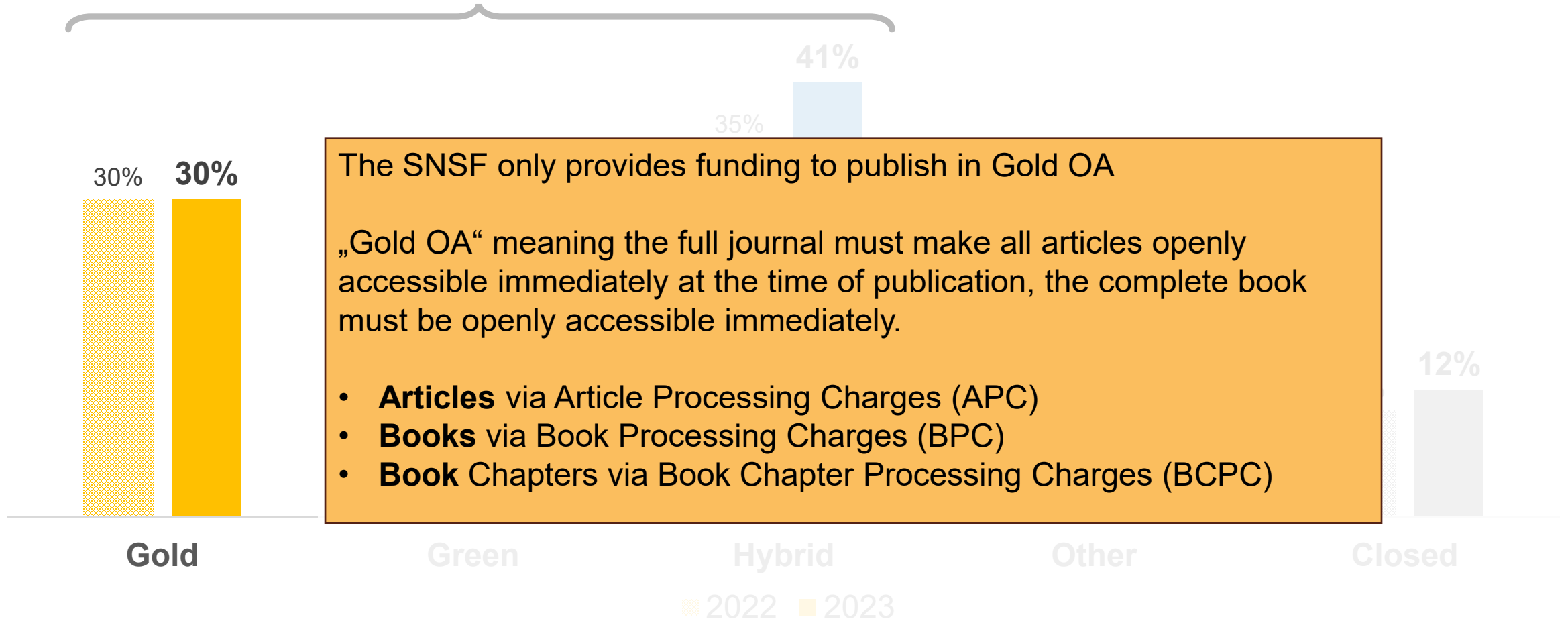
Data sources
2013-2019: P3
2020-2023: Data Hub, Crossref, Dimensions

SNSF Open Access Monitoring – 2023



SNSF Open Access Monitoring – Funding

78% Open Access



Article Processing Charges



Funding requirements

- The article must be published in a **fully open access journal** ensuring quality assessment via peer review
- Researchers having received an SNSF grant or were employed in an SNSF-funded project
 - **One of them must be listed as author** of the article
- SNSF funding **must be acknowledged**
 - "This research was funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF) [grant number]."

APC are independent of the runtime of a grant → Can be requested **any time after conclusion**

There is no cap, no deadline, no limit to the number of APC or total APC amount per grant

<https://www.snf.ch/en/ozKDc97zu0ZBwCfJ/funding/open-access-article-publications>

Article Processing Charges

APC are handled by our service-partner ChronosHub

ChronosHub only processes **unpaid APC invoices**

➤ **No reimbursements of already paid APC!**

Articles in **special issues are excluded** from the SNSF's OA funding

<https://snsf.chronoshub.io/>



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6 Are you publishing in a special issue?

7 What is your funding acknowledgment?

8 Upload files

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Book Processing Charges



Funding requirements – Eligibility

- Researchers eligible to apply for SNSF funding, employed at Swiss HEI to at least 50%
 - No direct link to SNSF-funded research required
- Researchers publishing books as direct result of SNSF-funded research
- Researchers publishing dissertation or habilitation theses defended and accepted at a Swiss HEI

Funding requirements – Formats and process

- Primary publication of research results: no textbooks, new editions, translations
- Publisher must organise an external, independent peer review of the complete book manuscript
 - For dissertations or habilitations the examiner reports are sufficient

<https://www.snf.ch/en/uFmFFmMJGrnt1t49/funding/open-access-book-publications>

Book Processing Charges



Modular book funding

- Basic module: CHF 15'000
- Supplementary module (SM) higher number of characters: CHF 3'000 up to CHF 5'000
- SM Layout and image rights: CHF 5'000
- SM Foreign language proofreading: CHF 5'000
- SM Enriched E-Book: CHF 5'000

The SNSF supports the first digital copy → No funding for printing costs

BPC are handled directly by the SNSF via mySNF

<https://www.snf.ch/en/uFmFFmMJGrnt1t49/funding/open-access-book-publications>

Open access: making research results freely accessible



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The results of your SNSF-funded research are a public good. All interested parties should be able to use them free of charge. That is why you are required to publish open access.

There are many roads to Open Access

– Paying a processing charge is just one

The Swiss HE and the SNSF are working to increase the options for researchers, including Diamond OA

→ We strive to simplify the landscape for authors

Overview of options to fulfill the SNSF's OA requirement

<https://www.snf.ch/en/MDecEyLJgpSTk0cU/page/open-access-information-for-researchers>



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SUPPLEMENTARY MEASURES

Lisa Hattersley and Jasmine Lorenzini
Equality, Diversity and Inclusion in Research Funding

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Diversity as an SNSF Strategic Priority

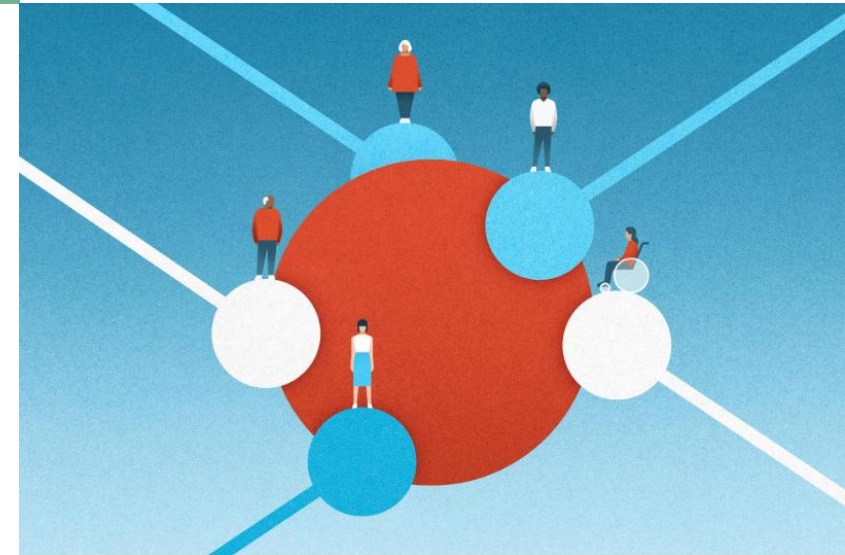
SNSF promotes diversity in research

The SNSF has a clear mandate: to promote the widest possible range of scientific research in Switzerland. The more diverse research is, the more exciting and pioneering the ideas it generates will be.

SNSF objectives:

- SNSF is open to all groups and types of scientific research.
- SNSF promotes scientific careers, not just academic careers.
- SNSF sets quality standards for different types of research.

Further information: [Strategic priorities](#)



SNSF EDI Vision and Mission

The [SNSF EDI Vision and Mission](#) defines three dimensions in which equality, diversity and inclusion are fostered:

- **Fair, respectful and inclusive work environments:** Creating work cultures where everyone can achieve their full potential.
- **Diversity of personnel:** Ensuring equal opportunities for all researchers.
- **Diversity of knowledge:** Promoting research that benefits all members of society.

Further information: [SNSF Equality, Diversity and Inclusion \(EDI\) Vision and Mission](#)

Supplementary Measures

Gender Equality Grant

→ For researchers who identify as female



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Flexibility Grant

→ For researchers at doctoral or postdoctoral level with childcare responsibilities



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Gender Equality Grant: Measure

- Offers young female researchers funded by the SNSF additional individualised and flexible support for their career development to promote equal opportunities
- May be used to finance career development and networking activities (does not cover family support measures) like mentoring, coaching, career development courses, networking meetings and similar measures
- Contribution of 1'000 CHF per full 12 months of approved project duration (incomplete years are not eligible)

Further information: [Gender equality grant](#); [gleichstellungsbeitrag-leitfaden-en.pdf](#)

Contact for questions: lifetime@snf.ch

Gender Equality Grant: Eligibility Requirements

- Researchers who identify as female
 - at doctoral or postdoctoral level who are either employed in SNSF-funded projects and career funding schemes or
 - are beneficiaries of career funding schemes (with the exception of Eccellenza and SNSF Starting Grant) or
 - who are employed at universities of applied sciences without a doctorate
- For postdoctoral researchers a work-time percentage of at least 60% funded by the SNSF is a prerequisite

Further information: [Gender equality grant](#); [gleichstellungsbeitrag-leitfaden-en.pdf](#)

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Gender Equality Grant: Submission

- It is not necessary to submit an application for the Gender Equality Grant as it is covered by a deficit guarantee calculated at the end of the project:
 - If project funds are still available, they may be used to finance the Gender Equality Grant. If the necessary amount is not covered via existing project funds, a compensatory payment may be initiated in the final financial report (receipts must be provided).
- *Exception:* Fellowship holders ([Postdoc.Mobility](#)) submit an application to pm@snf.ch, they can apply as of the start of the fellowship until two months before it expires.

Further information: [Gender equality grant](#); [gleichstellungsbeitrag-leitfaden-en.pdf](#)

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Flexibility Grant: Measure

- Offers researchers at doctoral or postdoctoral level with childcare responsibilities more flexibility
- Two measures that can be combined:
 - a) Contribution to external childcare costs of up to CHF 1'000 per child per month with a total upper limit of CHF 30'000 per year
 - b) Contribution to help finance the salary of a support person, allowing the grantee to reduce the work quota (from 80-100% to a minimum of 60%)

Note: All contributions towards childcare costs are added to the taxable income, therefore they may have a negative impact on childcare subsidies granted by the public authorities.

-> [Merkblatt-Kinderbetreuungskosten-Flexibility-Grant.pdf](#)

Further information: [Flexibility Grant](#); [Merkblatt-Kinderbetreuungskosten-Flexibility-Grant.pdf](#)

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Flexibility Grant: Eligibility Requirements

- For doctoral and postdoctoral researchers employed in a SNSF project; Ambizione, PRIMA, Postdoc.Mobility return grant and Doc.CH grant holders
- Additional requirements for postdoctoral researchers: work-time percentage of at least 80%
- Child is in external childcare on three working days per week and at the most one of the remaining two days can be covered by the researcher

Further information: [Flexibility Grant](#); [Merkblatt-Kinderbetreuungskosten-Flexibility-Grant.pdf](#)

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Flexibility Grant: Submission

- Any time
- Submission of applications via the mySNF platform
- Project leaders can authorise employees paid by the main grant to access mySNF so that they can complete the Flexibility Grant application by themselves

Further information: [Flexibility Grant](#); [Merkblatt-Kinderbetreuungskosten-Flexibility-Grant.pdf](#)

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Questions:

- Q&A session at 10:30-11:15
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