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# SNSF & INNOSUISSE FUNDING SCHEME EVENTS

Friday, 26 November 2021

# Programme

## Presentations

Schedule	Subjects
09:00 – 09:10	Welcome speech
09:10 – 09:35	Innosuisse Instruments
09:35 – 10:00	Supplementary measures (SNSF)

# Informations about the presentations

- Both your audio and video are switched off. You see the presentation and video of the person speaking.
- If you're experiencing technical problems, you can contact us using the chat function.
- The presentations are recorded (slides and speaker's voice).
- The slides and recordings of all presentations will be available on our website for a few weeks.
- We will take about 3 general questions after each presentation. Use the chat! Send questions to “Host & Presenter”.
  
- For further questions, please use the Q&A session concerning the schemes you are interested in. These sessions will take place after the last presentation. You'll find all the links on our website.

# MOVING FORWARD WITH INNOSUISSE

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# INNOSUISSE

## SWISS INNOVATION AGENCY

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

### MISSION

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

# INNOSUISSE PROMOTES SCIENCE-BASED INNOVATIONS

These are innovations that are jointly developed by:



**Businesses and  
other innovative  
organisations**

such as NGOs, associations,  
public or private  
organisations

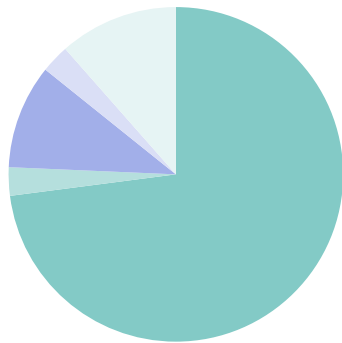


**Research  
institutes**

such as universities of applied  
sciences, Swiss Federal  
Institutes of Technology,  
universities, technology  
centres

# INNOSUISSE APPROVED FUNDING CONTRIBUTIONS AMOUNTING TO CHF 313.6 MILLION IN 2020

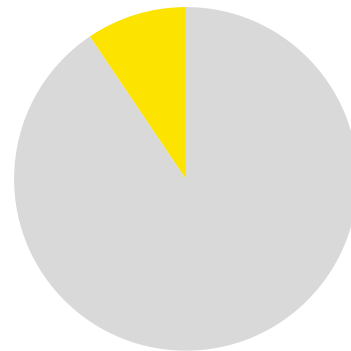
CHF 273.8 million



Supporting projects

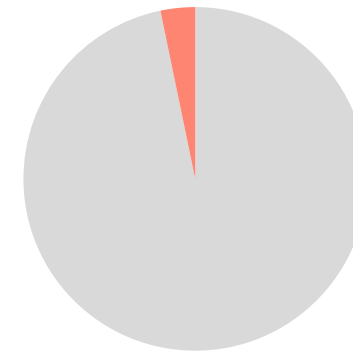
- National innovation projects
- Innovation Cheques
- International innovation projects
- BRIDGE projects
- SCCER

CHF 29.6 million



Networking and knowledge transfer

CHF 10.2 million



Supporting start-ups

# INNOVATION PROJECTS

WITH RESEARCH AND  
BUSINESS PARTNERS  
IN SWITZERLAND

PRELIMINARY STUDIES WITH  
INNOVATION CHEQUE

INNOVATION PROJECTS

FLAGSHIP INITIATIVE

IMPULSE PROGRAMME  
«SWISS INNOVATION POWER»



# INNOVATION PROJECT BETWEEN BUSINESS AND RESEARCH

INNOVATION  
PROJECTS

## IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS (industry partners, SMEs, NGOs, administration)

- Obtain access to scientific know-how and research and development resources
- Provide business expertise and customer perspective

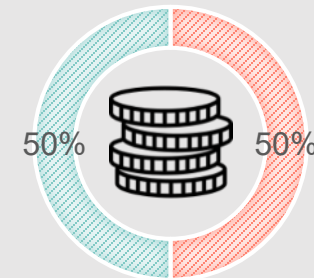
## RESEARCHERS

- Obtain business expertise and customer perspective
- Provide scientific skills and research infrastructure

## INNOVATION PROJECT

Duration: no limit, usually 6 to 36 months

Project costs: amount unlimited



- Funded by Innosuisse
- Contribution by the implementation partner incl. 10% cash

## MARKET IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INNOVATION



Submit your application online:  
<https://www.innosuisse.ch/analytics>

# FOR AN INNOVATION PROJECT A GOOD APPLICATION IS...

## CONCRETE:

- Market interest exists
- Access to the market has been described
- Product or service has been defined

## CLEAR:

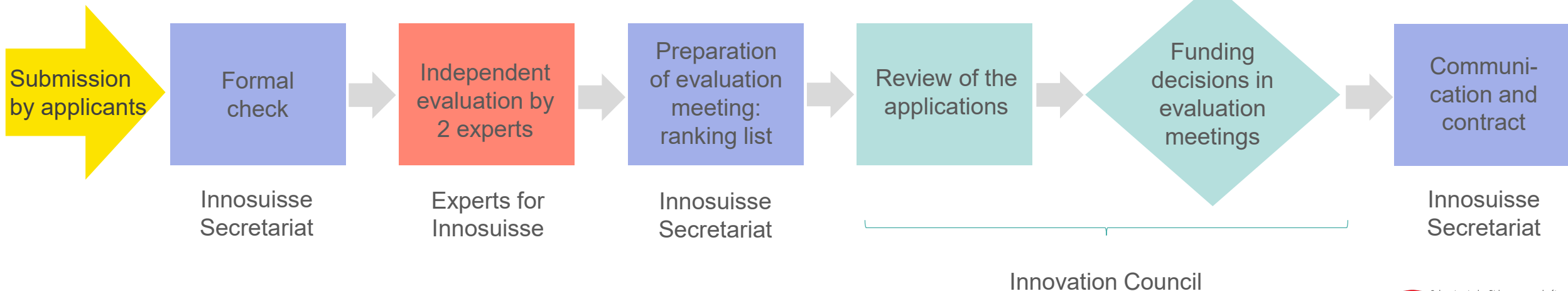
- Innovative content is clearly indicated
- Project plan is comprehensible
- Tasks are clearly defined and meaningful
- Milestones are set reasonably and goals are described quantitatively

## CONSISTENT:

- Research and implementation partners work together, not side by side or against each other
- Project planning and financial planning are consistent
- Timetable and resource allocation are realistic

# INNOVATION PROJECTS EVALUATION PROCESS

Evaluation duration (in weeks) – depending on [dates of evaluation meetings](#)



# INNOVATION PROJECTS ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

## TWO INDEPENDENT EVALUATIONS

with the same weighting

Evaluation expert 1

Evaluation expert 2

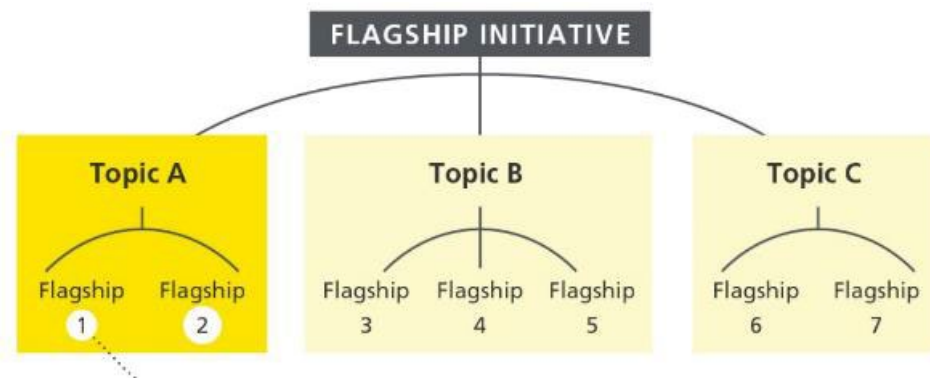
## ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

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

The Innovation Council makes the assessment and takes its independent decision on the basis of the experts' evaluation

# SYSTEMIC INNOVATION FLAGSHIP INITIATIVE

FLAGSHIP INITIATIVE



Promotion of transdisciplinary collaboration and systemic innovation in areas relevant to a large part of the economy and/or society.

Find solutions to current or future challenges that can only be solved through collaborative work.

- A submission for Flagship funding is done in a consortium consisting of at least 2 industry and 3 research partners executing a flagship which is composed interdependent and interrelated projects
- A consortium consists of a Host Institution with several research and implementation partners (industry, private, public, NGOs etc.)

Details, Flagship topics and calls:  
<https://www.innosuisse.ch/flagship>

# INNOVATION PROJECTS

INNOVATION PROJECTS WITH  
NO IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER

BRIDGE FUNDING OFFER  
BY INNOSUISSE AND SNSF

WITHOUT IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER

# INNOVATION PROJECT WITHOUT AN IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER

PROJECTS WITH NO  
IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER

## RESEARCHERS:

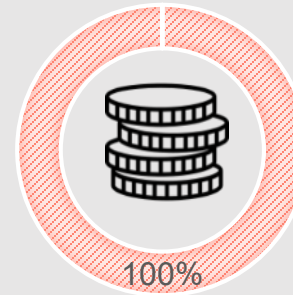
- who, during their research work, have come across an innovative idea with great market potential;
- who have not yet found a partner for implementation on the market;
- You can apply for financial support for feasibility studies, prototypes and testing facilities – especially for high-risk projects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

Submit your application online:

<https://www.innosuisse.ch/analytics>

## INNOVATION PROJECT

Duration: Max. 18 months



■ Funded by Innosuisse

## FUTURE MARKET IMPLEMENTATION OF INNOVATION



# BRIDGE FUNDING OFFER BY INNOSUISSE AND SNSF

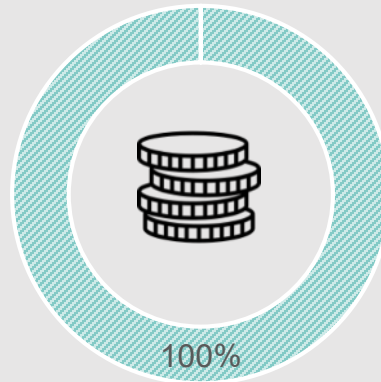
## BRIDGE

### BRIDGE FUNDING OFFER

#### AS A RESEARCHER

- Take the step into an application-led business environment
- Implement your research results on the market

#### BRIDGE PROJECTS



- BRIDGE projects funded by Innosuisse and SNSF

#### TWO FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

- **Proof of concept:**  
a step into an application-led business environment for young researchers;  
max. 12 months, up to CHF 130'000
- **Discovery:**  
for researchers with experience of implementing the innovation potential of research results;  
max. 4 years, up to CHF 2.55 million



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# IMPLEMENTING INNOVATION PROJECTS

INTERNATIONAL INNOVATION  
PROGRAMMES

BILATERAL COOPERATION

WITH INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS

# INTERNATIONAL INNOVATION PROGRAMMES FOR SWISS PARTNERS – FOCUS ON EUROSTARS

## INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMMES

### SMEs and other industrial partners

- develop their products or services together with partner companies or research teams at international level



### PROGRAMME EUROSTARS

- Call for projects 2x per year
- Different (direct) funding for Swiss participants to Eurostars projects:

Organisation	Funding in % of costs
Research institutions	50%
SMEs	50%
Large companies	25%

Information and call for projects:

<https://www.innosuisse.ch/inno/en/home/go-global/eurostars.html>

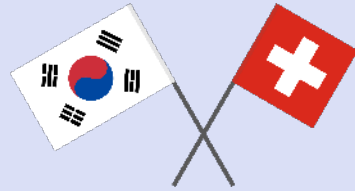
# INNOVATION PROJECTS WITH PARTNERS IN SELECTED COUNTRIES

Innosuisse has cooperation agreements:

BILATERAL  
COOPERATION



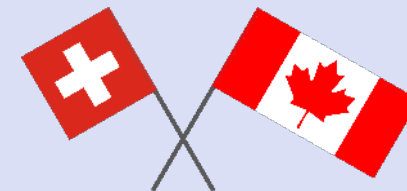
with EMBRAPPI  
BRAZIL



with KIAT  
SOUTH KOREA



with VINNOVA  
SWEDEN



with NRC-IRAP  
CANADA

Calls for tenders for  
bilateral innovation projects from companies and research institutions

Finding partners in  
Canada and  
Switzerland for  
Eurostars projects

# YOUR CONTACTS FOR INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS



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# NETWORKING AND EXPANDING KNOWLEDGE

MENTORING  
FOR SME (<250 FTE)

ENTERPRISE EUROPE  
NETWORK

PATENT SEARCH

NETWORKING EVENT SERIES

NTN INNOVATION BOOSTER

# LAUNCH YOUR INNOVATION IDEA WITH NTN INNOVATION BOOSTER

NTN INNOVATION  
BOOSTER

## JOINT TEAMS FOCUSING ON AN INNOVATION TOPIC

- From business, academia and society
- Test jointly developed ideas in an open innovation culture
- This new format has started in 2021

## NTN INNOVATION BOOSTER



Ideate and test  
joint and concrete  
innovation ideas

Innovation  
Booster

powered by  
Innosuisse

More information, calls and active NTN Innovation Boosters:  
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# CREATING AND DEVELOPING A START-UP ENTERPRISE

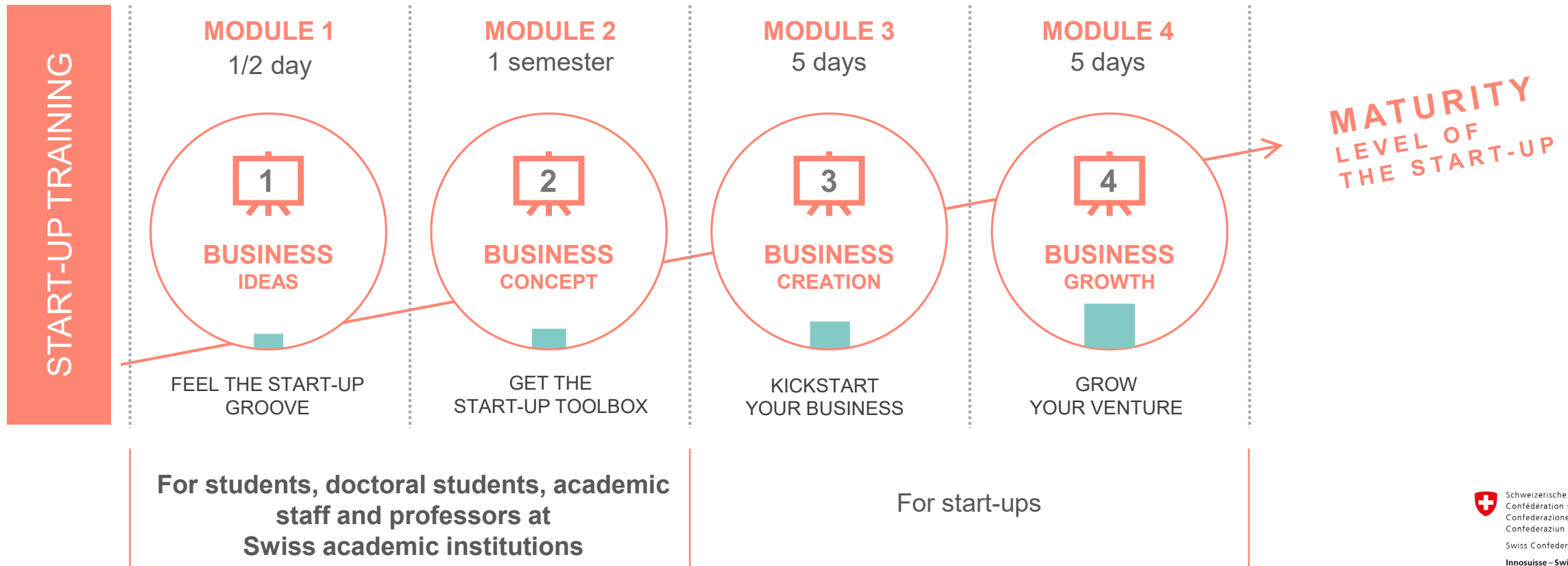
START-UP TRAINING

START-UP COACHING

INTERNATIONALISATION  
CAMPS

INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIRS

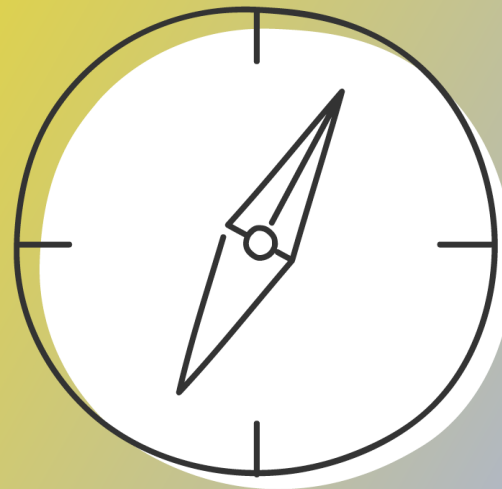
# DEVELOP YOUR BUSINESS IDEA WITH START-UP TRAINING



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

**Navigation  
for your  
innovation**

[www.innosuisse.guide](http://www.innosuisse.guide)



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# THANK YOU

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# SUPPLEMENTARY MEASURES

Simone Widmer

# Supplementary Measures

- Flexibility Grant
- Gender Equality Grant
- Mobility Grant in Projects

# Flexibility Grant

**To find the right balance between academic career and family commitments**

- Aimed at doctoral and postdoctoral researchers with child care duties who need more flexibility
- Enables temporary part-time employment and hiring of a support person, and/or grantees can use grant to cover child care costs

**⇒ Can be applied for while the project is ongoing with relative ease**



# Flexibility Grant – Participation requirements

- Because of work commitments, the child is in **external childcare on at least three working days per week**. The applicant and the other parent can cover **at the most one of the remaining two days each**.
- Employment as a doctoral student or postdoc in a research project funded by the SNSF.
- Ambizione, PRIMA, Postdoc.Mobility return grant and Doc.CH grant holders may also apply for a Flexibility Grant.
- The applications must be submitted via the mySNF platform.



# Gender Equality Grant

## **Individual and flexible career support for women scientists**

- Aimed at women researchers (doctoral students and postdocs) ongoing SNSF research project
- CHF 1000 per twelve months' approved project duration
- May be used to finance career support measures, but does not cover family support measures
- Participation requirements: at least 60% employment funded by the SNSF

**⇒ It is not necessary to apply for the gender equality grant as it is covered by a deficit guarantee**

# Mobility Grants in Projects

## **Improve your scientific profile by going abroad (for six to twelve months)**

- Aimed at PhD students who are employed in an ongoing SNSF research project
  - Can cover travel and living costs as well as fees for conferences and workshops of up to CHF 20,000. They are awarded for six to twelve months
  - If the applicant is accompanied by his/her family, a further CHF 5,000 per family member may be awarded
- ⇒ **Can be applied for during the running time of a project with relative ease**

# Questions

## Supplementary measures

*We will answer a couple of general questions which were written in the chat.*



# Programme

## Q&A sessions

Links available on  
[www.snsf.ch/liveevents](http://www.snsf.ch/liveevents)

Password: 2021

Schedule	Subjects and links for the Q&A Sessions (Password: 2021)
10:00 – 12:00	<a href="#">Innosuisse Instruments</a>
	<a href="#">Bridge</a>
	<a href="#">Open Access (SNSF)</a>
	<a href="#">SNSF Projects (Biology and Medicine)</a>
	<a href="#">COST (SNSF)</a>
	<a href="#">Doc.CH (SNSF)</a>
	<a href="#">Postdoc.Mobility (SNSF)</a>
	<a href="#">Ambizione &amp; PRIMA (SNSF)</a>
	<a href="#">Eccellenza (SNSF)</a>
	<a href="#">Sinergia (SNSF)</a>
	<a href="#">Agora (SNSF)</a>
	<a href="#">International cooperation (SNSF)</a>
	<a href="#">NRP &amp; NCCR (SNSF)</a>
	<a href="#">Supplementary measures (SNSF)</a>