

Switzerland



Participating organisation:

- *Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)*
(Budget: 700'000 €)

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Name of & link to the funding programmes:

- *National Research Programme "Sustainable Use of Soil as a Resource" (NRP 68), www.nrp68.ch; [Implementation Plan of NRP 68](#)*

Minimum and/or maximum project duration:

Proposed projects may last from 12 to 36 months

Minimum and/or maximum funding per project:

One project can require up to 200'000 €.

Who can be eligible for funding (incl. industry participation)?

Eligibility criteria and eligible costs must adhere to the standard rules and guidelines of the Swiss National Science Foundation (Funding regulations art. 13, 14 and 19).

Provision is made for funding of partners who are engaged in scientific research in Switzerland for non-commercial purposes. The research is deemed to be carried out in Switzerland if for the duration of the project the applicants are either employed by an institution domiciled in Switzerland or, if self-employed, reside in Switzerland.

National priorities:

Swiss National Science Foundation will only fund projects addressing questions with regard to land use and land use change as well as soil functions and soil quality management. Projects must be in compliance with the goals of the National Research Programme "Sustainable Use of Soil as a Resource" (NRP 68).

National Eligibility Costs

Applicants may not apply for payment of their own salaries. Eligible costs comprise:

- personnel costs (salaries and social security contributions for scientific and technical staff),
- research costs (expendable items and maintenance, travel costs and field expenses, conference- and workshop-related costs), and

All eligible costs must be linked to the project (Funding regulations, art. 19; General implementation regulations for the Funding Regulations, chapter 3). If you wish to have positions for doctoral candidates covered by the grant, please refer to the salary rates of the SNSF. If you wish to have postdoctoral or technical posts covered by the grant, please refer to the SNSF salary rates of your institution. If your institution does not have its own salary rates, please contact the financial officer of the Programmes Division of the SNSF (roman.sollberger@snf.ch).

Compliance with the goals of National Research Programmes

Projects with Swiss partners have to be in compliance with the goals of the National Research Programme “Sustainable Use of Soil as a Resource” (NRP 68). Proposals must reflect the programme’s objectives and comply with its overall framework. To ensure the compliance with the goal of the NRP, all pre-proposals with Swiss partners will be subjected to the Steering Committee of NRP 68 for a suitability check. This check is carried out in parallel with the evaluation by FACCE-JPI focusing on eligibility criteria described in the call announcement document. Objectives and research topics of NRP 68 are formulated in the implementation plan.

www.nrp68.ch > Portrait > Goals

Relevant legal documents you can find on www.snf.ch > About us > Statutes & legal framework:

- Funding Regulations
- General implementation regulations for the Funding Regulations
- Regulations on information, valorisation and rights to research results

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