How to find money for your research project?
Swiss and European third money funding instruments

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1. Grants Office, Vice-Rectorate Research, Univ. of Bern
2. Uni Bern internal funding instruments
3. Swiss funding instruments
4. European funding instruments
5. Useful websites
Grants Office

For all your funding questions

• information and advice on major public funding agencies and complex international grants
• proposal and project support for UBERN and Inselspital researchers
• runs the “Euresearch Office University of Bern”
• Grants Advisors per research discipline (faculty)
Grants Office

Services

- Project idea
- Project preparation
- Proposal writing & submission
- Evaluation
- Grant preparation
- Project management

Funding opportunities, Idea check, Eligibility
Concept advice, Consortium advice
Feedback, Budget, Forms
Contracts, IPR, Ethics, Budget
Reports, Audits

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Uni Internal Grants

• various internal possibilities to fund your research projects
• especially for early stage career researchers:
  • Initiator Grants
  • Promotion Fund
  • SELF
  • 120%-Care-Grant
Swiss funding instruments

Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)

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1) Input:
• Selection criteria

2) Output:
• Recommended funding schemes
• Comparison
Swiss funding instruments
Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)

- check regularly the SNSF website (deadlines, news)
- register for the SNSF newsletter
- SNSF live online event on Dec 11, 2020 (“Tour de Suisse”) - SNSF funding schemes
- if you want to submit a SNSF proposal register early within mySNF and make yourself familiar with the platform
- regulations for the different career funding schemes are subject to change
European funding instruments
Horizon Europe: the new EU programme for research and innovation (2021 to 2027)

3 Pillars
1) Excellent Science
2) Global Challenges and European Industrial Competitiveness
3) Innovative Europe

+ Widening Participation and Strengthening the European Research Areas
European Research Council (ERC)

General Features of ERC

- ground-breaking, high-risk/high-gain research projects
- host organisations based in an EU Member State or an Associated country
- sole evaluation criterion: scientific excellence of researcher and research proposal
- open to any field of research, no thematic priorities
- long-term grants
- no consortia, no co-financing
## European Research Council
### Starting / Consolidator Grant

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<td>for early-career researchers to develop their career</td>
<td>for researchers to consolidate their own research team</td>
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<td><strong>Qualifications</strong></td>
<td>PhD + 2-7 years’ experience</td>
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<td><strong>Funding</strong></td>
<td>up to € 1.5 million</td>
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Call Calendar 2021 - Tentative dates

Starting Grants / ERC-2021-StG
Open: 12-01-2021
Deadline: 09-03-2021

Consolidator Grants / ERC-2021-CoG
Open: 21-01-2021
Deadline: 20-04-2021
Marie Sklodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA)
General Features of MSCA

- supporting the mobility, training and career development of researchers
- open to all domains of research with bottom up approach
- Doctoral Networks
- Postdoctoral Fellowships
- Staff Exchange
- COFUND
- MSCA and Citizens
Career Development and Training

- funding for excellent projects, skills development and training of experienced researchers
- mobility (international, intersectoral, interdisciplinary)

Eligibility

- only for researchers with < 6 years of research experience after PhD
- PhD is mandatory at call deadline

More information is expected in spring 2021
Useful Websites

University of Bern, public website
Grants Office
At a Glance
Promotion of Research
Funding Search (new: fundraiso)

University of Bern, internal website
“Hilfsmittel für Gesuche und Projekte“
Everything clear?

Otherwise…
CALL THE GRANTS OFFICE FOR HELP: 631 5272

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The research grant application process.

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