

NATIONAL PORTRAIT / REGIONAL PROGRAMME

Switzerland

Aim of Programme

- ▶ Via its research programmes, the SFOE supports both public and private energy research in various fields of energy efficiency and renewable energies. Furthermore, the SFOE supports the development of new market areas with regards to sustainable energy use and supply. Thanks to the CORNET program, the SFOE encourages in the same time Swiss researchers to participate to the international collaboration.

Funding Conditions

- ▶ The project's focus has to be in line with the research topics laid out in the SFOE's master plan of energy research (available in German or French) related to:
 - ▶ Industrial processes,
 - ▶ Combustion systems based on sustainable (low-carbon) fuels.
- ▶ SFOE funding is subsidiary, i.e. applicants are expected to contribute their own funds and/or secure third party funding.

Requirements

- ▶ Only Swiss research partners are eligible for funding
- ▶ Applications for financial support of the Swiss research contribution can only be considered if submitted
 - ▶ in the official SFOE template, with a draft of the full CORNET proposal and other relevant information
 - ▶ 30 days prior to the deadline of the CORNET call.

Remarks

- ▶ It is recommended to contact the head of the appropriate research programme well before submitting a complete application.
- ▶ Evaluation criteria include:
 - ▶ Relevance of the project and its contribution to the goals set in the SFOE's masterplan of energy research (available in German or French)
 - ▶ Implementation potential
 - ▶ Added value for Switzerland – in view of economic or scientific outcomes
 - ▶ Quality and competences of the project team
- ▶ Projects that thematically do not fit into the funding scope of the SFOE: Swiss project partners are free to secure funding from other sources (e.g. from Innosuisse or other suitable organizations) and are thus able to enter a CORNET project as "self-financed partners". It is up to the applicants to demonstrate to the CORNET Coordination Office how they will secure funding. Funding from other sources than SFOE include specific requirements, e.g. national application as stand-alone project without reference to the CORNET project.