1. Available national programmes or funds that could provide support to Swiss Horizon Europe participants

As Switzerland is currently not associated to Horizon Europe, and is not considered by the European Union as candidate to association, the country was not covered by the transitional arrangement allowing entities from other countries formerly associated to Horizon 2020 to be considered as eligible from the beginning of Horizon Europe, in 2021. Swiss entities’ eligibility under Horizon Europe is determined by the rules applicable to non-associated third countries.

In this situation, the Swiss government has put in place a number of schemes and procedures:

- A specific financial guarantee for Swiss participants in ERC Starting and Consolidator Grants 2021;
- A financial guarantee for Swiss participants as associated partners in collaborative projects for Horizon Europe 2021 calls;
- A similar financial guarantee for Swiss participants as associated partners in collaborative projects for Horizon Europe 2022 calls;
- Direct funding mechanisms for mono-beneficiary projects (transfer grants and direct funding).

This link provides access to the relevant webpage of the Swiss State Secretariat for Education, Research and Innovation (SERI), where all relevant information is available in the format of targeted factsheets covering the different guarantees and mechanisms listed above.

SERI's contact information: europrogram@sbfi.admin.ch; hotline +41 58 463 50 50

2. Useful links

- Switzerland has appointed 17 National Contact Points covering all areas of Horizon Europe. The NCP coordinators of Switzerland are:
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- The webpage of the Delegation of the European Union to Switzerland and Liechtenstein.
- Direct queries on research and innovation to the Political, press and information Section.
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