

Annual Report 2022

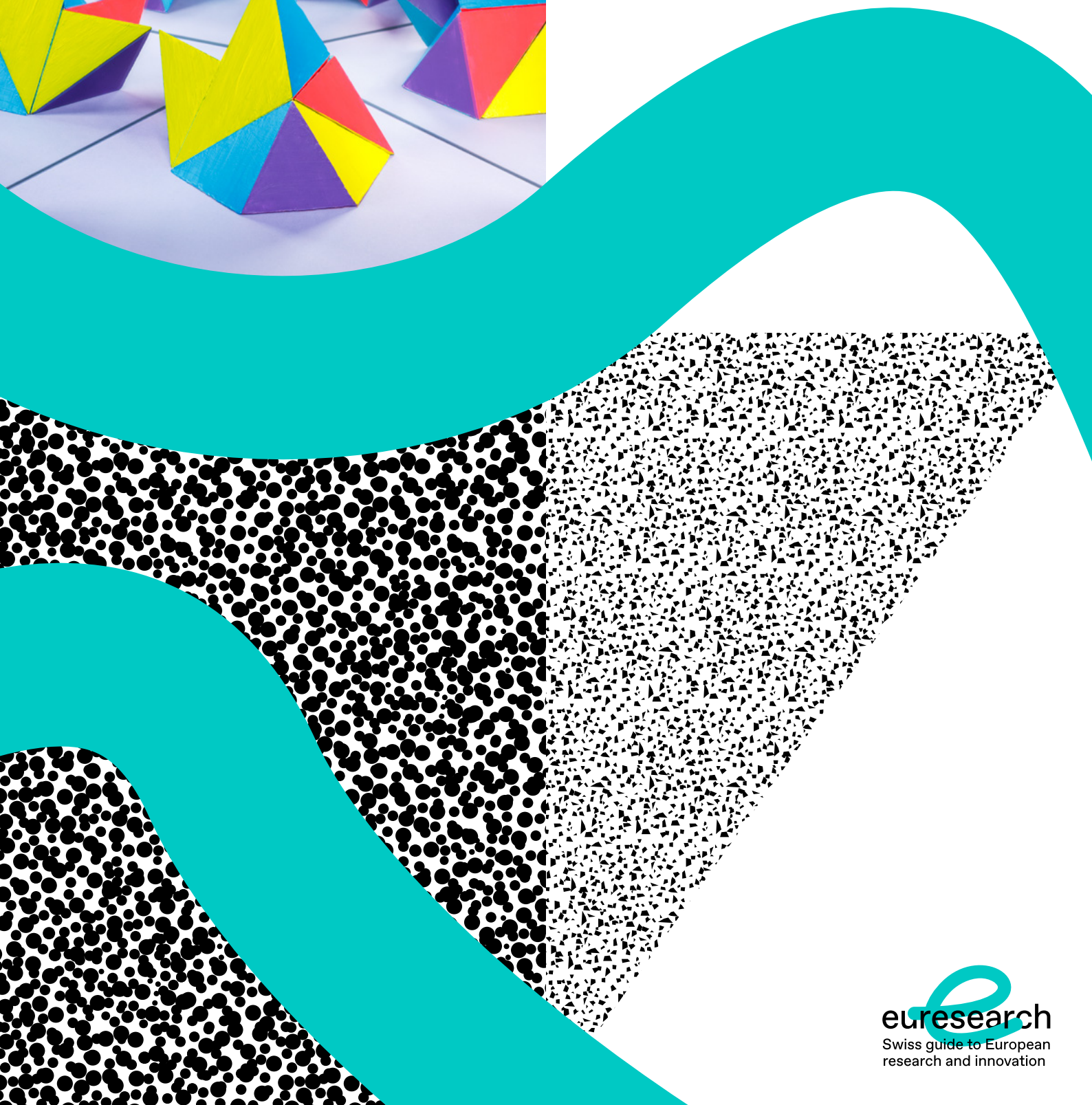
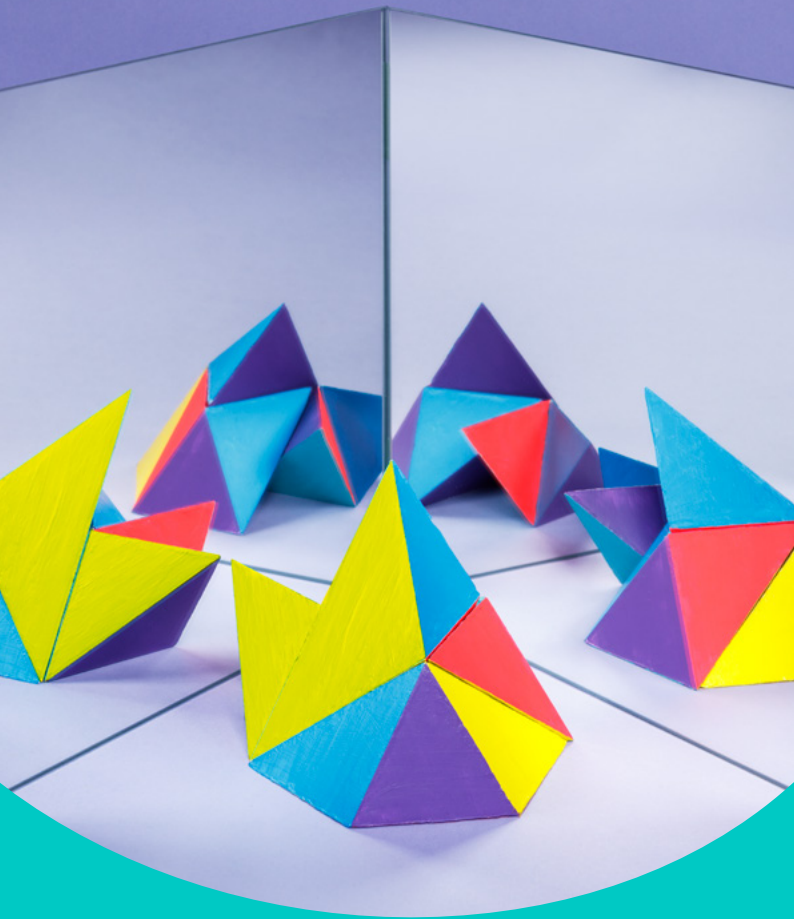


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Editorial

We live in times of great uncertainty and division. At the beginning of 2022, when Europe was just starting to recover after almost 2 years obscured by the global COVID-19 pandemic, the escalation of the Russia-Ukraine conflict led to the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

Ukraine is a country in Eastern Europe. Russia belongs to Eurasia. Why am I starting this editorial from this perspective? Well, I am a neuro-scientist who was introduced to this immense and fascinating discipline by Ukrainian and Russian scientists working peacefully and closely together in a research laboratory located in northern Germany and led by a former ETH professor.

You might say that with age, we become nostalgic and start to remember the good old days through rose-tinted glasses. However, these are true memories of golden days: days where research discoveries kept us united in the hope of advancing major discoveries for the well-being of humanity; days where the concept of war, division and uncertainty were millions of activated neuronal synapses away. The Berlin wall was just yesterday and this gave us the perspective of a united Europe, a united world. This is the spirit that moves and guides scientists all over the globe. Intellectual and cultural exchanges are the fundament of knowledge, discovery, innovation and prosperity.

The work that Euresearch does as a non-profit organisation funded by the Swiss State Secretariat for Education, Research and Innovation (SERI) exactly focuses on achieving this: promoting and facilitating exchanges between researchers in organisations and companies in Switzerland and their counterparts in other European countries through research and innovation projects.

This year at Euresearch, we established a new directorate managed by Francesco Kienzle and Cornelia Spycher as Co-Directors, and Karl Kerschbaum as Vice-Director. This triumvirate guaranteed the harmonious continuation of the Euresearch mandate, advising Swiss organisations on eligibility in Horizon Europe calls while Switzerland is still considered a non-associated “Third Country”.

While the negotiations between the EU and Switzerland on Horizon Europe continue, we encourage Swiss-based researchers and SMEs to apply for collaborative projects. Collaboration should be at the core of research exchanges to allow cross-pollination of ideas. The directorate welcomed the agreement signed in November 2022 between the UK and Switzerland, reinforcing joint scientific research programmes between the two countries.

In a world currently divided by a conflict at the core of Europe, we at Euresearch continue to foster intercountry scientific exchange. I believe this should be the cornerstone of managing the world: people should work together to resolve potential conflicts and guarantee well-being and prosperity for humanity through research and new discoveries. I hope for a transformative 2023, resolving conflicts of all kinds for a better world.

Antonella Santuccione Chadha,
Vice-President Euresearch

Horizon Europe and Switzerland: Review of 2022

The second year of Horizon Europe of a total of 7 is concluded and Switzerland is still not associated to one of the world's biggest research and innovation funding programmes. After negotiations on the Institutional Agreement stopped, Switzerland was removed from the list of "to be associated" countries. The European Commission (EC) is linking association to the overall political situation despite there being no legal link. On 23 February 2022, the Federal Council presented a new proposal to the EC. Thereafter, 8 rounds of exploratory talks had been concluded by March 2023, as an outcome of which, technical talks on specific issues are ongoing. However, a specific agreement on programme participation is required and while Switzerland is ready to negotiate on mandate and budget, the EC is currently not.

As a consequence of the downgrading of Switzerland to a "Third Country", the Swiss Government launched a series of transitional and replacement measures. Participation in collaborative EU projects is supported through direct funding of the successful Swiss partners by the State Secretariat for Education, Research and Innovation (SERI). For particular programmes like the European Research Council (ERC), Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) and European Innovation Council (EIC) Accelerator, where eligibility for participation from a Third Country is limited or not possible at all, SERI mandated the Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF) and Innosuisse to launch national calls instead. All the above-mentioned efforts are intended to minimise the damage for the Swiss research and innovation (R&I) community caused by the partial exclusion of participation in Horizon Europe.

In these times of uncertainty, Euresearch particularly appreciates the supportive collaboration amongst the different Swiss R&I stakeholders, especially the cooperation between SERI, SNSF and Innosuisse, which has ultimately been beneficial for Swiss researchers and innovators.

This second year into Horizon Europe was particularly demanding for Euresearch. It was challenging to find the right balance between fighting the tenacious misconception that Switzerland cannot participate at all in Horizon Europe, and at the same time drawing attention to the disadvantages of Third Country participation (coordination not possible, relevant thematic topics excluded). The scope of our advisory work has increasingly revolved around questions on eligibility for participation and funding. In addition, the continued exclusion from official EC sources of information remains a particular challenge, threatening the quality of our advisory activities.

Even though 8 rounds of exploratory talks between Swiss State Secretary Livia Leu, Chief Negotiator for negotiations with the EU, and EU Commissioner, Maroš Šefčovič, have not yet opened the wished-for avenue to association, Euresearch remains firmly committed to motivating and supporting researchers and innovators in Switzerland.

Cornelia Spycher and Francesco Kienzle,
Co-Directors

The Euresearch Network

The year 2022 has shown us that things that began as exceptional circumstances were less transitory than we had thought or hoped for. We have become accustomed to working together remotely and have learned to appreciate the opportunities this offers. We have also become accustomed to Switzerland not being an Associated Country anymore – even if we still expect this to change again.

The Euresearch Network has continued to face the challenges resulting from Switzerland's status with a positive attitude and a keen sense of community and dedication. The strong spirit of collaboration is very much alive in the Euresearch Network, with both long-standing and new employees. The Network currently consists of 16 National Contact Points and 8 administration and infrastructure staff at the Network Office (16.8 FTE; 3 new members in 2022) and 100 advisors in the 16 Regional Offices (36 FTE; 13 new members in 2022). The number of advisors in the Regional Offices has risen by 7.5% from the 93 we had in 2021, primarily due to the further integration of these offices into institutional grants offices. This usually results in more people working for Euresearch with lower FTE (average 37%) because they also cover other programmes. We have seen this development for a few years now and we welcome it because it allows us to give a more integrated service to our clients. However, it also presents us with many challenges because an increasing number of people need to be included in different information systems and it is almost impossible now to bring the whole Network together in one place – even if it is “only” virtually.

In 2021, the pandemic required us to hold the Euresearch General Assembly, our 2 Board meetings and the yearly Network Day purely online. In 2022, we voluntarily held them online or in hybrid format, because it allowed more people to join. Likewise, most of our researchers welcome online consultations. Hence, we analysed our experiences in depth and developed an integrative approach, offering a full range of both onsite and online events, depending on the content and the degree of interaction required.

Our work in 2022 was again marked by the parallel progression of Horizon Europe with its calls and programme updates and the persistence of non-association. Together with SERI, the Euresearch Network continued to rise to the challenge of finding solutions for our clients that would least affect their work and European collaborations. We are proud that according to first preliminary statistics – unlike with the non-association in 2014 – the participation of Swiss institutions in collaborative projects has not dropped significantly compared to the last years of Horizon 2020, and that we have managed to successfully navigate researchers and innovators in Switzerland and their European partners through this uncertain time.

Petra Hertkorn-Betz and Karl Kerschbaum,
*Regional Network Coordinators and
members of the Management Board*

Activity Report of NCPs and Regional Offices

The second year into the new mandate allowed us to consolidate the newly introduced reporting tools but at the same time was marked by unstable external circumstances (phasing out of pandemic working conditions, Swiss status in Horizon Europe). This is reflected to a certain degree in the client-related activities of the Regional Offices and National Contact Points (NCPs). The quantitative analyses of our activities are shown on page 12-13 and discussed below.

Every year, we analyse who made use of our services and we refer to client types based on their affiliation. In 2022, researchers from the universities of applied sciences (UAS) showed the largest increase in services received. However, researchers from universities/ETHs consistently remain our most frequent client type, receiving around half of all the services offered (see Fig 1.1). Interestingly, even though Swiss-based companies are currently excluded from participation in the European Innovation Council (EIC) Accelerator programme, the services offered to the private sector remained similar to the previous year. This is partially due to the efforts of the Euresearch Company Expert Group (CEG), composed of the EIC NCPs and Regional Office Company Advisors, who jointly supported innovative companies and start-ups in finding other opportunities. In the framework of SERI's Horizon Europe Transitional Measures, Innosuisse launched the Swiss Accelerator grant in spring 2022 to offset the disadvantage for Swiss companies. Like the EIC Accelerator, this programme exclusively funds innovative companies and start-ups that are already established in the market with a highly competitive project to develop, commercialise and

scale up their breakthrough innovations. In close collaboration with Innosuisse, the fast-paced, dynamic CEG team swiftly adapted to this novelty and quickly integrated this important funding instrument into their portfolio. They were able to help several businesses apply for the different stages of this call.

For the annual analysis of our services, we consider the different phases along the client journey. In 2022, clients with successful proposals ("grantees") showed a marked increase (10.1%) in the use of our services (see Fig 1.2). A likely explanation is all the additional advisory activities related to the transitional measures launched by SERI, for which grantees particularly sought advice and support with direct payments. In contrast to 2021, less "prospects" were served; those interested in Horizon Europe but not yet with a concrete call topic in mind.

When it comes to service types offered, the "advise" category remained predominant (see Fig 1.3): project and proposal advice made up more than 40% of all the 12 services offered (see Fig 1.4). These were followed by 3 services (~35%) from the "inform" category: "Information on EU RDI Opportunities", "Proposal-related Information" and "Opportunity Posting".

The number of events remained equally high, with many, but by far not all, being held online (see Fig 2). There was a decrease in people reached through events, reflecting a trend typically observed when asking for physical attendance in post-pandemic times.

Overall, more than half of the events offered were information events, followed by advising (~39%) and connecting (~4%) services. 27.5% of the total events were partner events.

A large variety of thematic events were offered to different target groups at different institutions. Each event involved preliminary needs analyses in the region, proactive contact of potential applicants, and aligning call topics covered with research areas present in the region. Five examples from a total of 131 events are described in more detail below.

In January 2022, Euresearch advisors from SUPSI and HES-SO organised an event on Horizon Europe Cluster 2 “Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society” especially tailored to the UAS. This event was organised in 2 parts, of which the first was the classic information session and the second comprised a brokerage session. Although it is

currently not possible for researchers in Switzerland to coordinate Horizon Europe projects, the possibility of meeting potential Swiss partners with whom to collaborate on European projects prompted several UAS researchers to participate in the second part.

The Euresearch Office University of Bern held an onsite event on the pandemic preparedness topics in the 2023 – 2024 Health Work Programme. Health NCP Sasha Hugentobler presented the many topics to approx. 20 participants who conduct COVID-specific research at the university. It was a great example of how such an event can introduce different groups to each other and facilitate networking within an institution.

In October 2022, the Euresearch Network Office together with Euresearch Office ETH/UZH co-organised “Horizon Europe in Switzerland”.



This onsite event attracted 130 participants to listen to speakers from the Swiss Mission and SERI on the state of play of Swiss association to Horizon Europe. In addition, successful applicants from different Horizon 2020 programmes showcased their projects and outlined how these had shaped their academic careers. The event was concluded with a lively panel discussion, with representatives from the SNSF, SERI and researchers, and was indicative of the need to share information and experiences in the Swiss R&I landscape.

With the idea to gain greater visibility and generate interest, the Euresearch Office Fribourg organised an entire week dedicated to European research opportunities. Daily presentations on Horizon Europe topics such as inclusive society, materials, food, health, and digital/ICT were given by the respective NCPs over lunch in the Botanical Garden in Fribourg. Eureka/Eurostars and COST were also included, presented by representatives from the funders, Innosuisse and SNSF. The interest was not as high as expected, but some good contacts were made.

In autumn, the Euresearch Office Basel together with a Health NCP organised an information event at the Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute (SwissTPH) in Allschwil near Basel. Health-specific topics for collaborative projects in Horizon Europe with deadlines in 2023 and 2024 were presented to a mixed audience of researchers from SwissTPH, the University of Basel and companies from the region. Information was also provided on how to find a consortium and Gunther Meinschmidt from the University Hospital of Basel shared experiences and insights as a Horizon Europe project participant. After providing answers to many diverse questions, discussions and networking continued at an apéro.

Other than events, our website remains the central source of timely and high-quality information. It was accessed less in 2022 than in 2021 (see Fig 3), whereas the click rate per month remained more constant throughout the year than in 2021 (data not shown). The webpages on open calls, events, and status of Switzerland are the 3 most-clicked pages.

The number of email alerts (e-alerts) sent to reach out to clients increased by 8.8% compared to the previous year and was accompanied by a slight increase in overall clients reached (see Fig 4). An average of around 15 400 clients received the Euresearch Newsletter per month (see Fig 5). The drop in numbers from 2021 was due to data cleaning. On the 3 Euresearch social media platforms, an increase in followers of up to ~29% was observed (see Fig 6). This was a result of a particular effort in 2022 to further promote information via these popular channels.

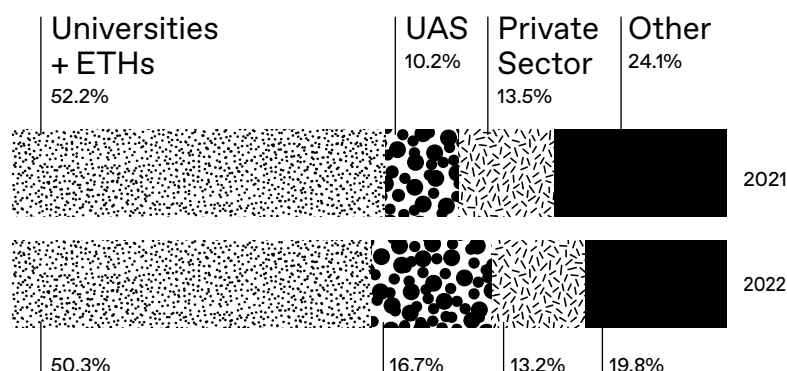
Cornelia Spycher,
Co-Director



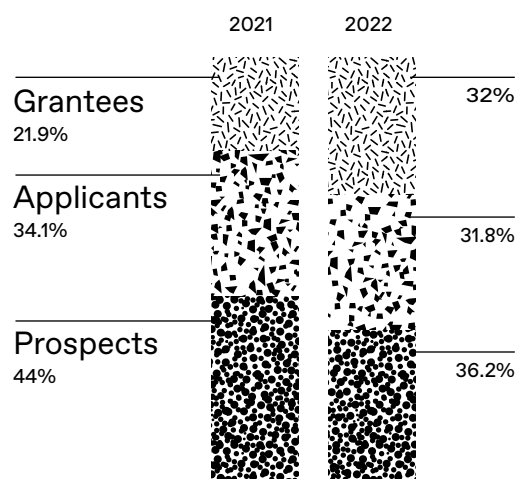
Activity Report of NCPs and Regional Offices: 2022 Figures

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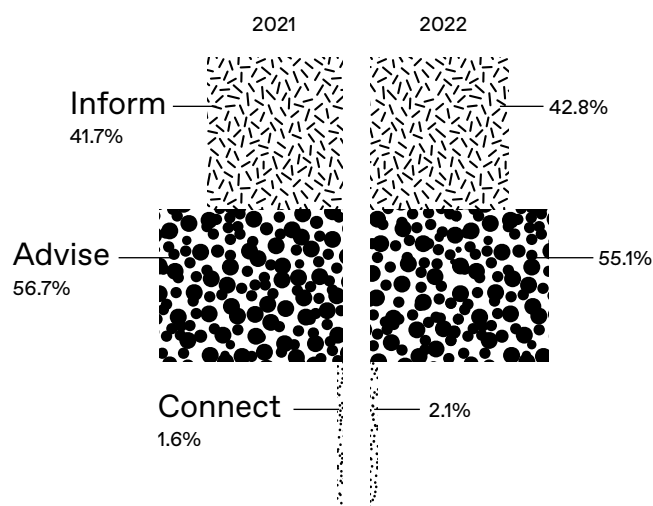
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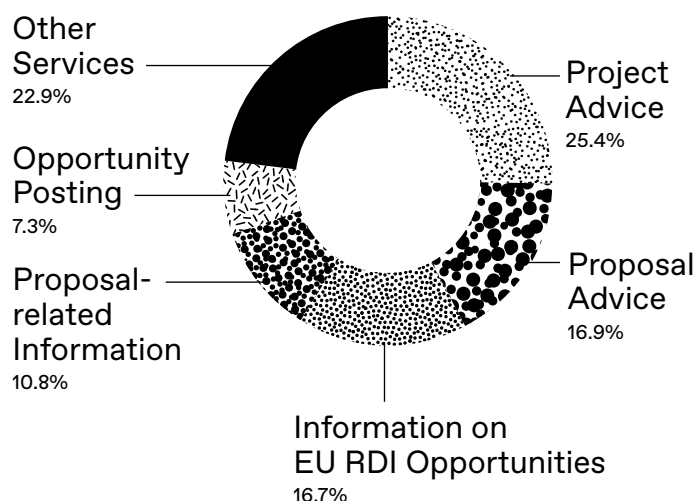
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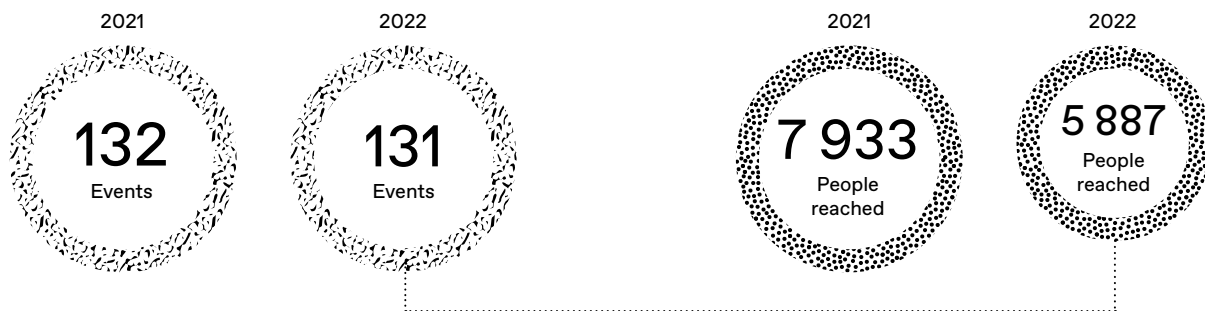
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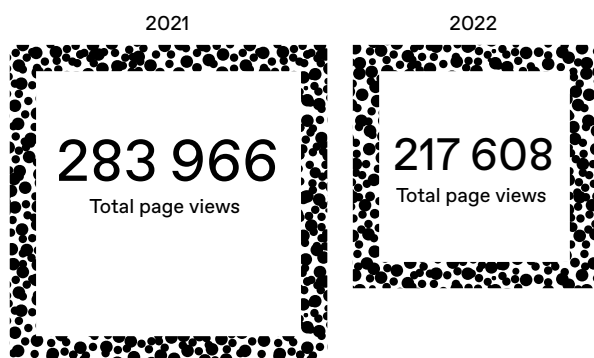
1.4 Top 5 Services 2022



2. Events



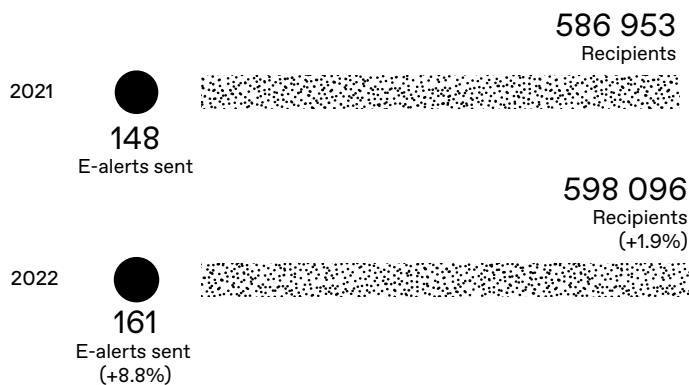
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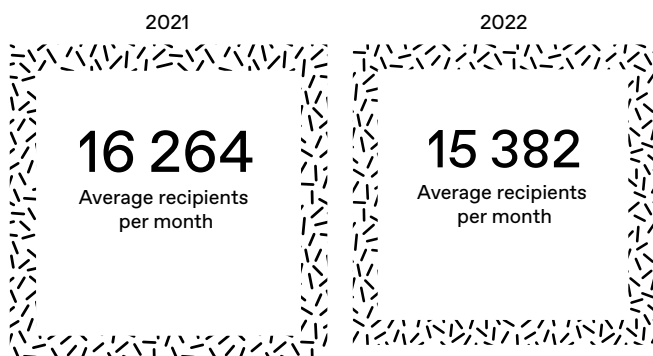
Most-clicked websites 2022

- 1 Open Calls
- 2 Events
- 3 Status of Switzerland

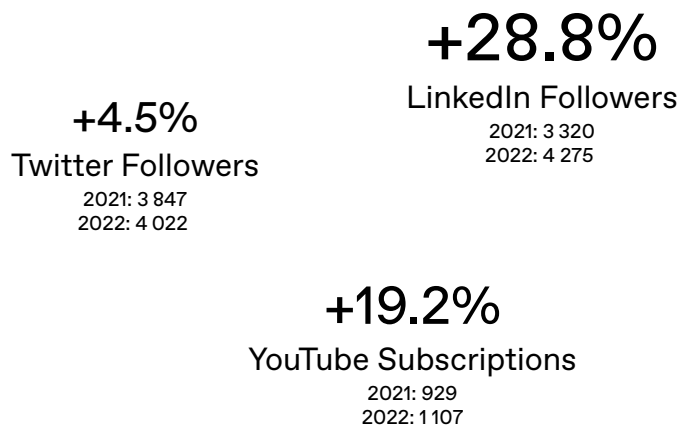
4. E-alerts



5. Newsletter



6. Social Media



Strategic Activities

The mission of Euresearch is to facilitate the submission of a high number of excellent proposals from Switzerland to the EU Framework Programmes. The Euresearch multiannual strategy comprises 4 areas for action that all align with our mission. Annual objectives and the respective measures to achieve them were developed and are described below.

Area 1: Customer Value Proposition

With the overarching aim of maintaining our high-quality services and products, the 2022 measures were particularly aimed at timely and effective provision of information and advice on the status of the Swiss non-association to Horizon Europe. Relevant products and services were continually updated and embedded in a motivational information campaign for researchers and innovators in Switzerland.

In addition, we placed particular emphasis on informing our stakeholders abroad. Consequently, informational material for the international community was dispatched to relevant stakeholders in the EU. Furthermore, for every thematic area in Horizon Europe, a targeted information campaign directed towards the international NCP networks was rolled out.

Area 2: Community

In times of insecurity, maintaining a structured exchange with the affected stakeholders is key. Therefore, this strategic area was of particular importance in 2022. While 2021 saw a phasing in of our concept for Cooperations and Relations (CARs), this year consolidated the 2 CARs on (i) artificial intelligence and (ii) fostering cooperation with Movetia, the National Agency for Exchange and Mobility.

A new, third CAR on cybersecurity, uniting major stakeholders in this particular thematic field, was launched and got underway. A first outcome of this was the event “Horizon Europe Funding Opportunities in Digital Trust and Cybersecurity”, co-organised by Euresearch and Trust Valley public-private partnership in June 2022. Trust Valley is a key player in the Swiss and international R&I community on cybersecurity and digital trust technologies. In addition, Euresearch (Network Office and Company Advisors at Euresearch Office EPFL) and Trust Valley co-organised an online event to present relevant funding opportunities offered by Horizon Europe to start-ups, SMEs and partners of the Trust Valley ecosystem. Swiss-based researchers and innovators with several past and current participations in European projects, offered testimonials explaining the reasons for and benefits of their involvement in these projects. Special attention was paid to conveying the message that Horizon Europe collaborative calls are open to Swiss organisations and practical information on how to apply was provided.

Overall, 9 CAR-specific events were organised, providing the opportunity to inform the respective communities on Horizon Europe funding opportunities and mechanisms. Evaluation of the CARs concept in late summer concluded with the intention to launch additional CARs in the coming year.

Area 3: Communication

High-quality external communication is inextricably linked to similar communication standards internally. To this end, the workflows and responsibilities within Euresearch were mapped. The resultant comprehensive communication matrix will ensure timely, efficient and effective internal and external communication. The aim of the planned measures for 2022 was the translation

of the matrix into practice. Accordingly, 2 dedicated workshops with the Euresearch Network were held.

Area 4: Operational Excellence

Tools to further enhance cooperation between the members of the Euresearch Network are key to this area and were therefore a priority. The ambitious digitalisation project played a central role in these efforts and substantially progressed this year. In spring, the cloud-based Microsoft 365 platform was set up. In parallel, a dedicated project team developed a new data sharing and repository framework and replaced outdated IT infrastructure. The migration was successfully completed by autumn and training for the whole Network will follow in 2023.

Also related to digitalisation, a second project team designed the basic infrastructure to advance the automation of internal processes. The first electronic workflows for financial reporting will be introduced at the beginning of 2023, aiming at easier access and revision of our accounting books by SERI.

Cornelia Spycher,
Co-Director

Financial Report

Finances – Euresearch Network

2022 was the second year of the current subsidy contract with the State Secretariat for Education, Research and Innovation (SERI) for Horizon Europe and Digital Europe services. The subsidy increased slightly to CHF 6 253 471 from CHF 6 227 385 in 2021.

The largest part of SERI funding (52.6%) goes to the Regional Offices and the Network Office (42.3%). The “Common Pot” (5.1%) is dedicated to common expenses benefitting the whole Euresearch Network (e.g. IT services, events, see Fig 7).

Horizon Europe

The “Horizon Europe” funding line closed with a profit of CHF 298 034, which was due to underspending in both personnel and operational costs.

There was CHF 135 681 less spent on personnel than foreseen. This was due to the change in personnel (Co-Directors and Section Leads),

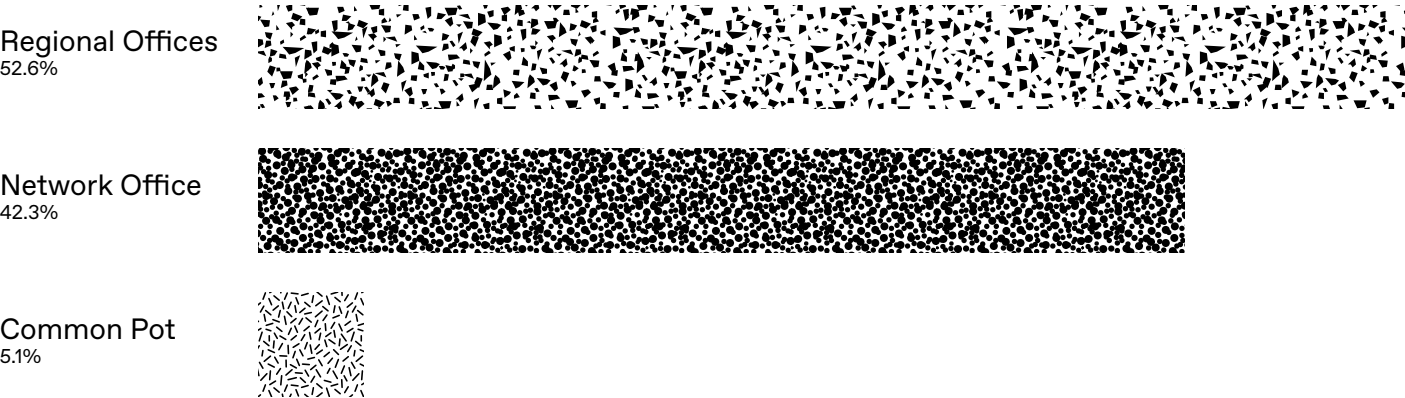
which freed up National Contact Point (NCP) positions. Furthermore, the uncertainty concerning the association to Horizon Europe and the adjustment of advisors’ activities, for example the European Research Council and the Digital Europe Programme, delayed the hiring process.

The phasing-out of the COVID-19 pandemic was slower than expected, resulting in an underspending in travel expenses and onsite events as well as a re-association event that did not take place.

The operational costs were significantly lower than anticipated (underspending of CHF 146 621). The reason for this was the postponement of investments to optimise office infrastructure (underspending of CHF 45 959) due to the home office situation as well as underspending in the administration (CHF 38 891).

There was a small underspending in IT (CHF 13 063). The renewal of personal computing devices in view of the deployment of the digitalisation project being the main cost item for 2022. The large multi-annual digitalisation

7. Horizon Europe: Distribution of SERI Funds



project is ongoing but used fewer external resources than expected in 2022 (underspending of CHF 39 699).

With regard to marketing and communication activities, less printed material was produced due to the shift from onsite to online services, reinforced by the COVID-19 crisis. The corporate design was strengthened, firstly with a complete set of photos of Network members for our website and secondly by further developing corporate graphical elements. This resulted in a moderate deficit of CHF 7 294.

Thanks to the new flexibility introduced by SERI in the subsidy contract, the “Horizon Europe” surplus from 2022 can be carried forward and spent until the end of the contractual period (i.e. end 2023).

EU NCP Projects

The participation of Euresearch in Horizon Europe projects for NCPs is crucial in the current context to gather information from Brussels as well as to clarify the Swiss situation with our European colleagues. It was a transitional year, with the last Horizon 2020 project closing and the

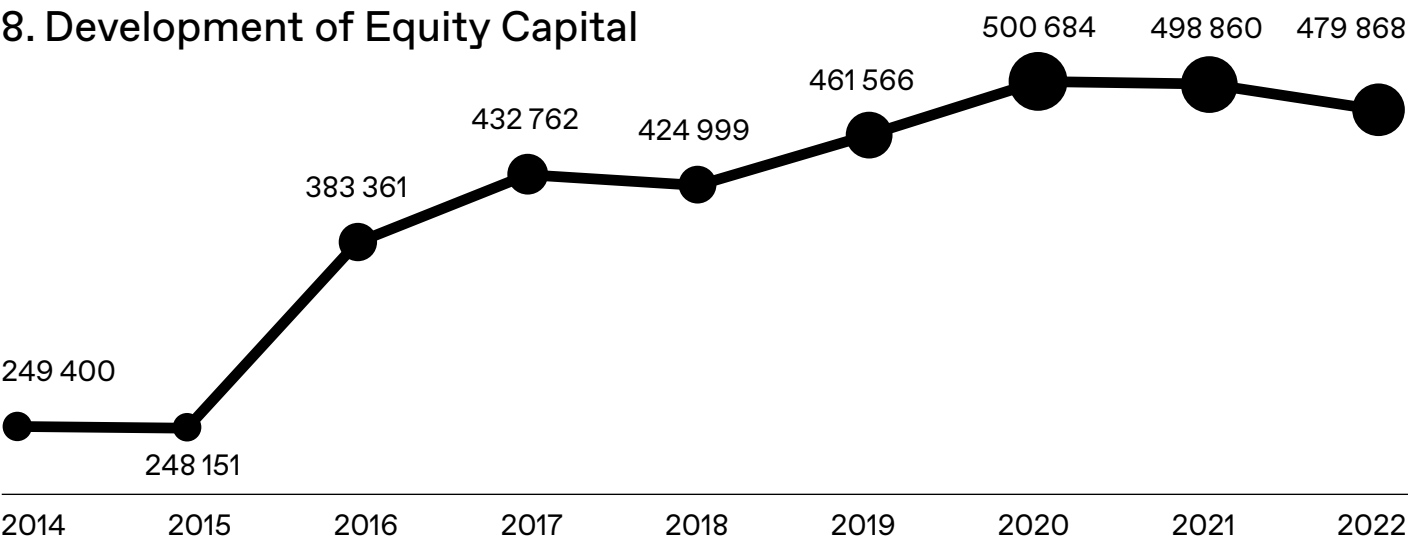
coordination of the Horizon Europe “MSCA-NET” project starting. Furthermore, Euresearch was able to join the NCP project for digital thematics. The “EU Project” funding line ended with a slight deficit of CHF 1 057 rather than the budgeted profit of CHF 4 657. This was due to the amortisation of equipment and exchange rate losses over the duration of the projects.

Association

Finally, payment of the EU projects in EUR and the continuous erosion of the exchange rate significantly affected the “Association” funding line with a (currently virtual) loss of CHF 29 937. Despite the lower spending in personnel and operational costs, the exchange rate losses resulted in an overall deficit of CHF 18 992, therefore bringing the equity capital total to CHF 479 868 (see Fig 8).

Francesco Kienzle,
Co-Director and Chief Financial Officer

8. Development of Equity Capital



Financial Report

Income Statement

	Verein	Horizon Europe	EU NCP Projects	2022	2021
Ertrag					
Bundesbeiträge	6 253 471	-	-	6 253 471	6 227 385
Umlage Bundesbeiträge	-6 253 471	6 253 471	-	0	0
Total Bundesbeiträge	0	6 253 471	-	6 253 471	6 227 385
Mitgliederbeiträge	47 000	-	-	47 000	94 000
EU NCP Projektbeiträge inkl. Abgrenzungen	-	-	175 599	175 599	99 300
Übrige Erträge	-	33	-	33	143
Ertragsminderungen	-	39	-	39	-2 600
Total übrige Erträge	-	72	-	72	190 843
Total Ertrag	47 000	6 253 543	175 599	6 476 142	6 418 228
Personalaufwand Geschäftsstelle					
Personalaufwand	-14 390	-1 988 579	-110 972	-2 113 940	-2 201 971
Sozialversicherungen	-2 338	-151 335	-16 883	-170 556	-189 028
Sonstiger Personalaufwand	-8 620	-32 799	-80	-41 500	-52 389
Reise-/Verpflegungs-/Unterkunftsspesen	-6 748	-42 489	-22 341	-71 578	-32 786
Kooperationsaufwände	-	-3 265 449	-	-3 265 449	-3 281 899
Übriger betrieblicher Aufwand					
Raumaufwand inkl. Unterhalt/Reparaturen	-881	-117 193	-3 032	-121 107	-117 149
Allgemeiner Verwaltungsaufwand	-523	-51 104	-1 307	-52 935	-59 700
Informatikaufwand (inkl. Telefonie und Internet)	-825	-178 475	-2 841	-182 141	-227 074
IT-Projekte	-7	-16 824	-24	-16 855	-5 000
Marketing/Kommunikation	-8	-45 294	-26	-45 328	-57 055
Anlässe	-312	-19 697	-17 326	-37 335	-9 073
Total Aufwand	-34 652	-5 909 238	-174 807	-6 118 698	-6 233 123
Total Ertrag	47 000	6 253 543	175 599	6 476 142	6 418 228
Total Aufwand	-34 652	-5 909 238	-174 807	-6 118 698	-6 233 123
Zwischenergebnis	12 348	344 305	-792	357 444	185 105
Abschreibungen					
Abschreibungen	-465	-61 931	-1 602	-63 999	-64 000
Finanzerfolg					
Finanzaufwand / Kursverlust	-29 937	-168	-56	-30 162	-16 076
Finanzertrag / Kursgewinn	1	0	0	1	0
Total a.o., einmal. od. periodenfr. Erfolg					
Ausserordentlicher Aufwand	-	-	-1 272	-1 272	-8 816
Ausserordentlicher Ertrag	119	15 828	1 082	17 029	2 065
Jahresgewinn (+) / -verlust (-)	-17 935	298 034	-1 057	279 042	98 279
Rückführung Gewinn an SBFI	0	0	0	0	-9 871
Jahresgewinn (+) / -verlust (-)	-17 935	298 034	-1 057	279 042	88 408
Abgrenzung Bundesbeiträge		-298 034		-298 034	-90 232
Vortrag auf neue Rechnung	-17 935	0	-1 057	-18 992	-1 824

Financial Report

Balance Sheet

	2022	2021
Aktiven		
Kasse	203	483
FKB CHF-Konto	525 459	417 557
FKB EUR-Konto	564 002	361 420
Valiant CHF-Konto	330 936	0
Total Flüssige Mittel	1 420 599	779 460
Forderungen aus L+L	0	1 560
Übrige kurzfristige Forderungen	18 955	5 215
Abgrenzung Projekte	90 147	148 629
Aktive Rechnungsabgrenzungen	75 021	51 240
Total Umlaufvermögen	1 604 723	986 104
Finanzanlagen	43 000	43 000
Sachanlagen	3	64 002
Total Anlagevermögen	43 003	107 002
Total Aktiven	1 647 726	1 093 106
Passiven		
Verbindlichkeiten aus L+L	9 808	17 957
Übrige kurzfristige Verbindlichkeiten	261	4 836
Abgrenzung Projekte	60 399	27 942
Passive Rechnungsabgrenzungen	87 591	129 469
Abgrenzung Bundesbeiträge	1 009 800	414 042
Total kurzfristiges Fremdkapital	1 167 858	594 246
Total Fremdkapital	1 167 858	594 246
Vortrag 01.01.	498 860	500 684
Rückführung Gewinn an SBFI	0	-9 871
Jahresergebnis	-18 992	8 047
Vereinskapital	479 868	498 860
Total Passiven	1 647 726	1 093 106

Explanations: Dr. Röthlisberger AG

Verein Euresearch, Bern

Anhang der Jahresrechnung

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Angaben über die in der Jahresrechnung angewandten Grundsätze

Die vorliegende Jahresrechnung wurde gemäss den Vorschriften des Schweizer Gesetzes, insbesondere der Artikel über die kaufmännische Buchführung und Rechnungslegung des Obligationenrechts (Art. 957 bis 962) in Verbindung mit Art. 69a des Zivilgesetzbuches erstellt.

Angaben, Aufschlüsselung und Erläuterungen zu Positionen der Bilanz und Erfolgsrechnung

Abgrenzungen Projekte

Diese Position betrifft durch den Verein Euresearch vorfinanzierte Kosten für EU-NCP-Projekte (aktive Abgrenzungen) bzw. Vorauszahlungen für entsprechende Projekte (passive Abgrenzungen).

Personalaufwand

152'738
161'324

Entlastung des Personalaufwandes durch Auflösung von Arbeitgeberbeitragsreserven

152'738

161'324

Langfristige Mietverpflichtungen

Belpstrasse 11, 3007 Bern (brutto inkl. MWST)

129'475

225'175

Erläuterungen zu ausserordentlichen, einmaligen oder periodenfremden Positionen der Erfolgsrechnung

Ausserordentlicher Ertrag

17'029
2'065

- Allianz, HK/NK-Abrechnungen aus Vorjahren
- CO2-Rückerstattung
- EU-NCP-Projekte, Anp. Abgr. an Schlusszlg.
- Diverses

14'403

0

1'954

0

673

0

0

2'065

Ausserordentlicher Aufwand

1'272
8'816

- EU-NCP-Projekte, Anp. Abgr. an Schlusszlg.

1'272

8'816

Verbindlichkeiten gegenüber Vorsorgeeinrichtungen

AXA Stiftung Berufliche Vorsorge

0

337

Anzahl Mitarbeiter Geschäftsstelle

Anzahl Mitarbeiter Geschäftsstelle per 31.12.

23

24

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Anhang der Jahresrechnung

2022

2021

CHF

CHF

Andere Angaben

Arbeitgeberbeitragsreserve

AXA Stiftung

364'680

517'418

Finanzierungsquellen

- Subventionsvertrag 2021-2023

Der Informations- und Beratungsdienst für die EU Forschungsrahmenprogramme des Vereins Euresearch wird seit dem 1. Januar 2021 erneut mittels eines Subventionsvertrags vom Staatssekretariat für Bildung, Forschung und Innovation (SBFI) finanziert. Die Laufzeit beträgt drei Jahre.

Erhaltene, aber noch nicht verwendete Bundesbeiträge dürfen während der Vertragslaufzeit auf das Folgejahr übertragen werden:

	CHF	CHF
Vortrag aus Vorjahr	414'042.15	0.00
Tranche - Erhalten im 2022/2021	6'551'195.00	6'551'195.00
Verwendung 2022/2021	-5'955'437.31	-6'137'152.85
./. Vortrag auf neue Rechnung	<u>1'009'799.84</u>	<u>414'042.15</u>

- EU-Projekte

Der Verein Euresearch war per Ende 2022 an 3 EU Projekten beteiligt.

- Mitgliederbeiträge

Die Vereinsaktivitäten werden durch jährliche Mitgliederbeiträge gedeckt.

Direkte Steuern

- Gemäss Schreiben vom 5. Juli 2005 der Steuerverwaltung des Kantons Bern wird der Verein aufgrund von Art. 83 Abs. 1 Bst. g des bernischen Gesetzes über die direkten Staats- und Gemeindesteuern (StG) und Art. 56 Bst. g des Gesetzes über die direkte Bundessteuer (DBG) rückwirkend ab Gründung von der Steuerpflicht befreit.

Mehrwertsteuer

- Der Verein Euresearch ist als mehrwertsteuerpflichtige Institution im MWST-Register eingetragen.
- Gemäss Bundesgerichtsentscheid vom Februar 2019 gelten die Bundesbeiträge der Schweizer Eidgenossenschaft aus mehrwertsteuerlicher Sicht als Subventionen.
- Unabhängig vom Gerichtsverfahren wurden zudem die Beratungsleistungen gegenüber der EU im Jahr 2019 durch die ESTV als steuerbare Beratungsleistung eingestuft. Da die Leistungen gegenüber der EU erbracht werden, handelt es sich jedoch um Leistungen im Ausland, welche nicht der Schweizer Mehrwertsteuer unterliegen.

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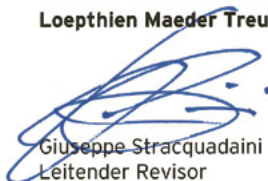
Auftragsgemäss haben wir die Prüfung der Jahresrechnung (Bilanz, Erfolgsrechnung und Anhang) des Vereins Euresearch für das am 31. Dezember 2022 abgeschlossene Geschäftsjahr vorgenommen.

Für die Jahresrechnung ist der Vereinsvorstand verantwortlich, während unsere Aufgabe darin besteht, diese zu prüfen. Wir bestätigen, dass wir die Anforderungen hinsichtlich Zulassung und Unabhängigkeit erfüllen.

Unsere Revision erfolgte nach dem Schweizer Standard zur Eingeschränkten Revision. Danach ist diese Revision so zu planen und durchzuführen, dass wesentliche Fehlaussagen in der Jahresrechnung erkannt werden. Eine Eingeschränkte Revision umfasst hauptsächlich Befragungen und analytische Prüfungshandlungen sowie den Umständen angemessene Detailprüfungen der beim geprüften Unternehmen vorhandenen Unterlagen. Dagegen sind Prüfungen der betrieblichen Abläufe und des internen Kontrollsystems sowie Befragungen und weitere Prüfungshandlungen zur Aufdeckung deliktischer Handlungen oder anderer Gesetzesverstösse nicht Bestandteil dieser Revision.

Bei unserer Revision sind wir nicht auf Sachverhalte gestossen, aus denen wir schliessen müssten, dass die Jahresrechnung nicht Gesetz und Statuten entspricht.

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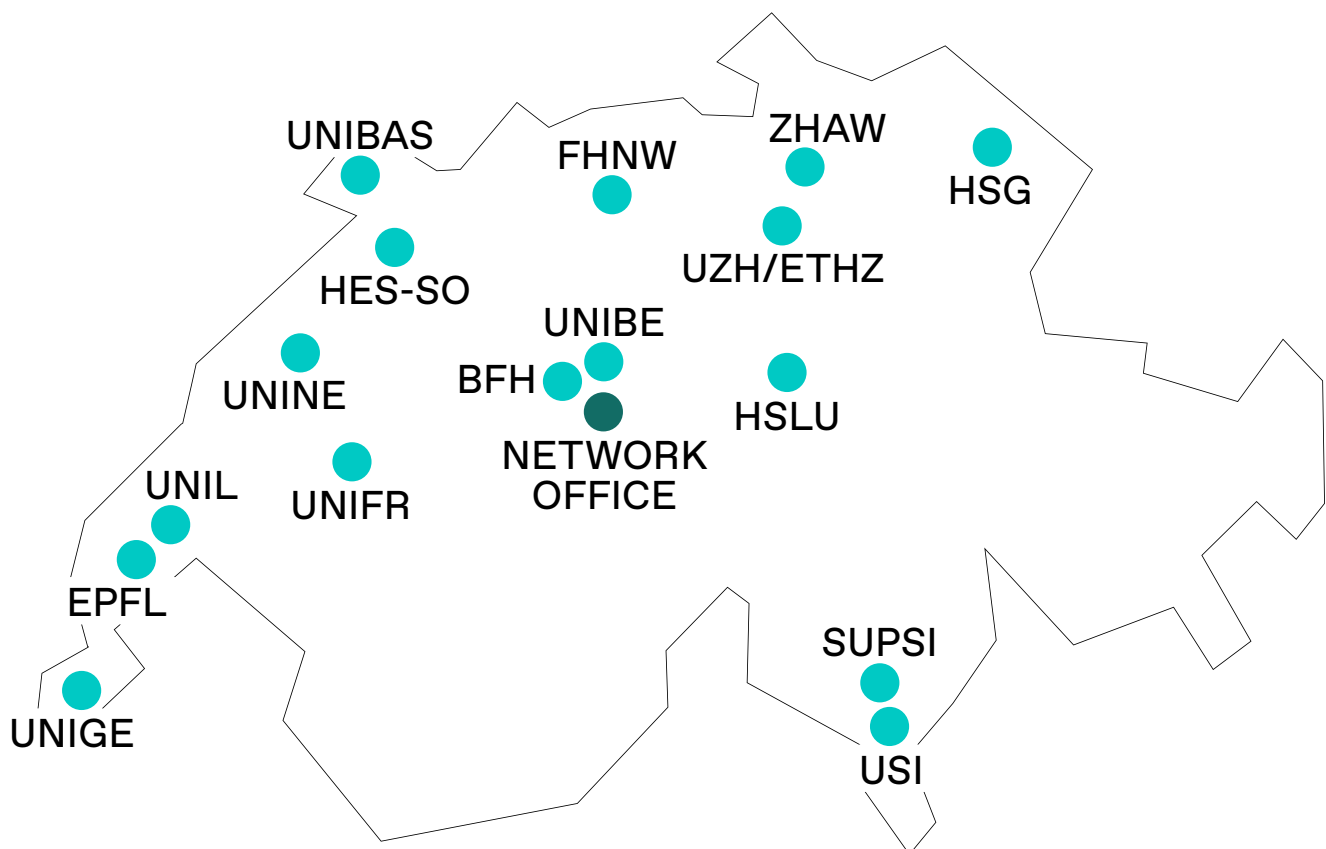


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Map of Switzerland indicating all Euresearch Offices. Abbreviations of the Euresearch Offices are explained on the following page.

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