



connecting  
Switzerland  
and India  
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innovation



SWISSnex  
India



# swissnexIndia

## in a nutshell

swissnex India connects Switzerland and India in the fields of science, education, art and innovation. An initiative of the Swiss State Secretariat for Education and Research and Innovation (SERI) in association with the Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, swissnex India functions as an annex of the Consulate General of Switzerland in Bangalore.

The objective of this initiative is to build and maintain a robust network between various universities, research institutions, organizations and innovation communities in India and Switzerland.

Since its inception in 2010, swissnex India has come a long way in establishing partnerships with various prestigious organisations, conducting successful events, implementing innovative projects and performances, thereby building many more bridges between the two countries.

swissnex India aspires to be the 'go-to' partners in the areas of:

- Academic Relations and Education
- Innovation and Entrepreneurship
- Science and Arts

## our vision



A lively, inspiring space, recognised by the various stakeholders from Switzerland and India for getting excellent support, advice and inspiring ideas to expand the science, technology and innovation network.

A place where outstanding, creative people can meet across disciplines and cultures in events, lectures, exhibitions and conferences with the goal to contribute to the mutual benefit of the two countries.

# what we offer

## for academics and students

swissnex India strengthens the academic relations between Switzerland and India by enabling research cooperation, providing funding opportunities, students exchange, etc. In addition, we:

- Support Indo Swiss Joint Research Program (ISJRP)
- Support collaboration and networks through organising talks, workshops, seminars, conferences
- Host and advise academic delegations
- Support universities in selection process of students
- Organize Alumni events and support the network
- Offer internships with swissnex India, for Swiss students

swissnex India offers three services for Swiss innovators, entrepreneurs and SMEs:

- **On-boarding and initial handholding** - Initial handholding for Swiss entrepreneurs and SMEs with respect to starting up in India: Access to swissnex India infrastructure and facilities - Information on Indian market, logistics, assistance for dipstick survey, real estate - Initial recruitment support
- **Start-up Advisory** - Advice and assistance for Swiss SMEs and entrepreneurs for all start-up related queries related to the Indian market: Indian market entry, setup, launch and transition support - Determining and planning for the relevant contextual and transactional environment of India - Creating/ refining business model and business pitch for Indian market/ investors
- **Access to information and network** - Establishing meaningful contacts in India for Swiss SMEs and entrepreneurs; access to potential and/ or identified business partners, mentors and accelerators

## for aspiring entrepreneurs

## for artists and scientists

A growing number of innovative and interesting projects at the intersection of science/ technology and arts are evolving. Not only have the possibilities of electronics, but also scientific fields like robotics inspired many artists to do creative work at this intersection. To bring this unique experience to India, we:

- Organize and support events, exchange, exhibitions between Indian and Swiss arts–science interface

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