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Pre-Announcement: 8th South Korea –Switzerland call for Joint Innovation Projects

The Korea Institute for Advancement of Technology (KIAT) and the Swiss Innovation Agency (Innosuisse) are happy to pre-announce their joint call 2022 to fund science-based innovation projects between Switzerland and South Korea.

What does the call target?

- The call for joint innovation projects is aimed at companies and research institutions in Switzerland and South Korea (consortia) looking to carry out a joint science-based innovation project
- Companies which identify the two countries as a major market and research locations, and which want to take advantage of the benefit of KIAT and Innosuisse funding
- The Call is open for all topics; however, projects in following topics are particularly appreciated:
 - Biotech; Medtech
 - Digitalisation; Industry 4.0; IoT
 - Additive Manufacturing
 - Smart Materials / Innovative surfaces
 - Augmented and virtual reality
 - Hydrogen Technologies
 - Renewable Energy & Batteries

What conditions apply?

This is an international, bilateral funding measure subject to the funding rules of KIAT and Innosuisse. Details will follow in the call documentation. The call will open on February 8, 2021.

The funding organisations are glad to advise interested parties on request. We kindly request you to contact Innosuisse at the email address mentioned below with any specific questions you may have.

What criteria must be met?

The basic requirements for setting up a consortium; in particular, the skills and expertise of the Swiss and South Korean partners should be complementary and the international cooperation provides added value. The planned innovation project is clearly market-oriented and creates value in both countries.

For further details, please refer to the call description launching on February 8, 2022.

Two stage call procedure & timeline:

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February 8, 2022	Launch of Joint Call 2022
March 3, 2022	Webinar for interested parties
April 14, 2022	Deadline for submission of Pre-proposals
End of May 2022	Communication of recommendation for next step
August 1, 2022	Deadline for submission of Full-proposals
	Applicants must submit the application forms (KIAT and Innosuisse) in English.
End of October 2022	Communication of evaluation results and decision

This pre-announcement is to invoke interest of potential applicants to explore project ideas as well as collaboration opportunities (<u>https://south-korea-swiss-call-2022.b2match.io</u>) with potential partners.

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