

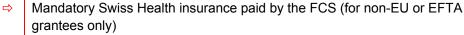
Swiss Confederation

State Secretariat for Education and Research SER
Federal Commission for scholarships for foreign students FCS

#### **Swiss Government Excellence Scholarships**

#### Postdoctoral Scholarships Academic year: 2013-2014

Academic year: 2013-2014 <u>Country:</u> Republic of Korea (South Korea)		
Scholarship	Swiss Government Excellence Postdoctoral Scholarships for foreign researchers	
Offered by	The Swiss Government through the Federal Commission for Scholarships for Foreign Students FCS	i
Objectives	To enable selected applicants to undertake a Postdoctoral Research in on of the 10 Swiss Public Universities, the two Swiss Federal Institutes of Technology, the public teaching and research institutes and the Universities of applied sciences	ıe
Universities	University of Basel / University of Bern / University of Fribourg / University of Geneva / University of Lausanne / University of Lucerne / University of Neuchâtel / University of St.Gallen / University of Zurich / University of Lugano	
Federal Institutes of Technology	Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne (EPFL) Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich (ETHZ)	
Teaching and Research Institutes	Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies (IHEID)  Swiss Graduate School of Public Administration (IDHEAP)	
Universities of applied Sciences	University of Applied Sciences Western Switzerland / Bern University of Applied Sciences / University of Applied Sciences Northwest Switzerland / University of applied Sciences Eastern Switzerland / Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts of Southern Switzerland / The Zürcher Fachhochschule	
Validity	The Scholarship is only valid for a full time Postdoctoral Research in Switzerland. It is not valid for mixed Postdoctoral Research (part time in Switzerland and part time in a third country)	
Target Group	Highly qualified postdoctoral researchers from all academic fields	
Duration	12 months (renewable maximum 6 months)	
Amount and additional allowances	The scholarship amounts to a monthly payment of 3500 Swiss Francs (tax free net amount)  Exemption of the tuition fees (except for EPFL)	(



- ⇒ A lump sum for air fare for non-European grantees only (provided at the
- end of the scholarship)
   Special 300 Swiss Francs lodging allowance (paid once at the beginning of the scholarship)
- □ 1 year half-fare public transportation card
- Counseling and various trips, dinners and sigh seeing tours organized for Swiss Government Scholarship holders

# Eligibility Criteria and specific conditions

- ⇒ First class Doctoral degree
- There cannot be a gap of more than 5 years between the award of the PhD and the application deadline
- Applicants should be residing in their home country at the moment of the application. Applicants who are in Switzerland since more than 1 year are not eligible
- Applicants must provide a letter (e-mail) from a Professor from the Swiss host institution stating that he/she is willing to supervise the postdoctoral Research
- Applicants must have a research proposal including a timeframe (this is the central piece of the application. The applicant must devote all required attention to it)
- Applicants must be in command of the necessary language skills required for the Postdoctoral Research

### Application Procedure

- The application package can be obtained from the Swiss Embassy in Seoul.
- ⇒ The deadline for the submission of applications is 30.01.2013
- Applications have to be returned in 3 copies

### Application Time Framework

⇒ Opening of the call: 15.09.2012
 ⇒ Application Deadline: 30.01.2013
 ⇒ Selection Interview, ask: Swiss Embassy
 ⇒ Beginning of the scholarship: 20.09.2013

## Application documents

(Please provide 3 sets of copies on A4 paper. Please do not staple the documents and/or put them into plastic sheets or binders).

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- The FCS 2013-2014 official application form (typed and printed). No handwritten forms will be accepted
- Copies of all university certificates and grade-sheets (all copies must be attested, and translated if originals are not in English, German, French or Italian. Attestations can be done by the University or a Government Officer.
- 2 letters of recommendation from Professors in the applicants field (<u>use exclusively</u> the official reference form provided with the application package)
- A complete research proposal (approx. 15 pages), including a work schedule as well an overview of the research work conducted until now that could be relevant for the granting of the fellowship
- ⇒ A full curriculum vitae with list of academic publications
- A copy of the confirmation from a Professor at the intended Swiss University that he/she is willing to supervise the Postdoctoral Research.
- A health certificate (use the official health certificate provided with the application package)
- ⇒ A copy of the passport (main page with personal data)

## Contact institution for the application

Questions and application documents, have to be submitted at the following address:

Swiss Embassy in Seoul

32-10, Songwol-dong, Jongno-gu, 110-101 Seoul

E-mail: seo.swissemb@eda.admin.ch

Tel: 0082 2 739 9511 Fax: 0082 2 737 9392 Web: www.admin.ch/seoul

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