

The Swiss Political System for Innovation Hub and Scimpact Fellows

**Franxini Boot Camp: April 4, 2024
18:00 on zoom**

About the Franxini Boot Camp



Reatch is deeply committed to fostering mutual understanding between research and politics. To strengthen this commitment, Reatch has launched the Franxini-Project which provides researchers with key skills and background information for interacting with policy-makers. Through our three formats «Franxini Hub», «Franxini Hive», and «Franxini Boot Camp» we promote and facilitate constructive cooperation between representatives from politics, administration, and research. The **Franxini Boot Camp** provides a compact overview of the Swiss political system in order to understand where, when, and how researchers can effectively engage with politics. The content is provided in two thematic blocks «Research and Politics» and «Participating in the Political and Public Discourse». The Franxini-Project is supported by Stiftung Mercator, Gebert R uf Stiftung, cogito foundation and other partners.

Learning Objectives

In this intensive evening workshop, participants will learn how to find the right addressees in parliaments and political administrations, how they can effectively interact with politics and how to frame their propositions for the political discourse. In particular, participants will develop a practical understanding of Swiss politics, learn where, when, and how they can get involved in the political process and who the relevant stakeholders are, and understand their role and the role of politics.

Programm:

Thursday, April 4th, 18:00-19:45 [for Innovation Hub Projects: 18:00-21:00], on zoom

Time	Topic and Speaker	Content
18:00-18:15	Welcome & Introduction Pascal Oberholzer (Franxini/Reatch)	Welcome; Introduction; Expectations
18:15-19:35	Research and Politics Hannah Schoch (Franxini/Reatch) Sophie Girardin (SCC , previously parliamentary services)	The Swiss Political System and Stakeholders at the Interface between Research and Swiss Politics (30 Min + 10 Min Questions) Field report and tips from the political administration (30 Min + 10 Min Questions)
19:35-19:45	Pascal Oberholzer (Franxini/Reatch)	Conclusion (Innovation Hub Fellows stay longer)
<i>FOR INNOVATION HUB PARTICIPANTS ONLY: short break, program continues at 20:00</i>		
20:00-21:00	Participating in the Political Discourse Hannah Schoch and Pascal Oberholzer (Franxini/Reatch)	Stakeholder-Mapping and -Engagement with focus on the political landscape for the two projects

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