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Introduction

As part of «regiosuisse» – the Swiss network unit for regional development – a «Research Network of Regional Development» is being built. The aims of the research network are the strengthening of the research and teaching competence concerning the NRP (New Regional Policy – Neue Regionalpolitik) and regional development, and the improvement of the cooperation between research and practice.

An important basis for this network is an overview of the research institutes and activities in the field of regional development and regional policy.

The following list is the result of a survey carried out in Spring 2009 among the main research actors in Switzerland in the field of regional development and regional policy. The questionnaires were sent to 104 institutions, based on a previous screening (see below). In June 2010 the Overview has been updated and amended.

The list is not concluded – therefore, any suggestions and additions are welcome.

Basis for the survey: Sources to identify potentially relevant actors

The focus for this survey lies on «regional development». This includes all types of research that contributes to regional policy and regional development in Switzerland, as defined by the NRP. In particular, this includes economic geography, regional economics, regional policy, legal, sociological and political science, spatial development and research on change processes. However, research mainly based on natural science has been excluded, such as studies on biodiversity, hazard prevention, climate change and forest research.

Main sources for the screening have been:

- ROREP list of members
- Alpmedia Newsletters
- Internal lists of participants and organisers of conferences
- References quoted in studies such as:
 - ROREP (2006), Die ländlichen Räume der Schweiz. Bericht der Arbeitsgruppe 2003–2005
 - Forschungskonzept 2004–2007 «Nachhaltige Raumentwicklung und Mobilität», Bundesamt für Raumentwicklung ARE
 - Forschungskonzept 2008–2011 «Nachhaltige Raumentwicklung und Mobilität», Bundesamt für Raumentwicklung ARE
 - René L. Frey u.a. (2006), Raumwissenschaften im ETH-Bereich. Bericht der Arbeitsgruppe «Raumwissenschaften im ETH-Bereich» zuhanden des Präsidenten des ETH-Rats
 - Simmen Helen, Walter Felix, Marti Michael (2006), Den Wert der Alpenlandschaften nutzen. Thematische Synthese zum Forschungsschwerpunkt IV «Raumnutzung und

Wertschöpfung» des Nationalen Forschungsprogramms 48 «Landschaften und Lebensräume der Alpen» des Schweizerischen Nationalfonds SNF

- Hits with the label «regional» from database Aramis
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vital	national	basic research
X one among other topics a side topic		X applied research consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future development of structural change • Sustainable development in the mountain area • Land use conflict between urban growth and agricultural land use • Population dynamic in peripheral regions • Care Farming in Swiss Farm Households
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Current projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research Program Agrimontana • Swiss Structural Change Information System • Steering Development in Rural Area • Social functions, roles and structures of Swiss farms
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X vital one among other topics a side topic	regional, national, international	X basic research X applied research X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Regional competitiveness
- Role of clusters on regional development
- Clusters initiatives
- Drivers of competitiveness
- Competitiveness strategies at the regional and the national level
- Role of Multinational enterprises in regional development

Current projects

- Cluster mapping
- Competitiveness of Swiss regions
- Characteristics of foreign multinational enterprises in Swiss clusters
- Compétitivité internationale: le role des clusters
- Competitiveness of Asean countries (book project)
- Chinese foreign direct investment in Europe and direct and indirect impact on competitiveness of Switzerland and Swiss firms (project FNS)

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X vital one among other topics a side topic	regional, national	basic research X applied research X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Gouvernance de la NPR, rôle des acteurs publics et privés
- Soutien à l'innovation des entreprises
- Émergence des projets de développement
- Rôle du territoire dans le développement économique, besoin de proximité géographique
- Intégration des projets dans le territoire, multi-secteurs
- Formation du personnel, management des ressources humaines.
- Valorisation du capital social
- Importance des services publics dans le développement, par exemple la santé, les transports

Current projects

- Projet Eurodite, Prof. Olivier Crevoisier, GRET, Uni de Neuchâtel
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vital	regional, national, international	X basic research
one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Tourism and local development both in developed and developing countries
- Comparative national public policies in spatial planning, regional development and local government demarcation, both in developed and developing countries
- Borders and borderlands issues; transnational metropolitan governance; transnational protected areas policies; transnational area based project
- Bioregionalism, territorial resources and spatial representation: Mountain environment, Watersheds as spatial patterns

Current projects

- ESPON Targeted Analysis: Territorial Diversity 2009–2010 (European Commission: ESPON) Work packages on Comparative methodology and on The Jura and Valais Cantons regional development opportunities issues
- The challenge of marginality and collective identities in sustainable tourism development strategies: Two case studies in African mountains FNS-DDC 2009–2011
- Border Region in Transition: Welcoming the next international meeting of the BRIT interdisciplinary academic and research network in 2010
- The territorial governance of the transnational metropolitan area of Geneva: Partnership with the Projet d'agglomération franco-valdo-genevois
- Pan-alpine Networks, The rise of the Alps as a frame for collective action, research project SNF Division 1 (2006–2009).
- GLO-RETE: Globalization and re-territorialisation of environmental initiatives in Central Europe: stakeholders, narratives, images. research project SNF Interdisciplinary programme (answer about to be given par SNF mid-march 2009)

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vital	regional, national	X basic research
X one among other topics a side topic		X applied research consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Innovation in infrastructure sectors
- Innovation systems, technical innovation systems
- Governance of infrastructures, Integrated Water Resources Management
- Organization and management of utilities
- Knowledge diffusion and innovation

Current projects

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collaborators 25 collaborators

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vital	regional, national, international	X basic research
X one among other topics a side topic		X applied research consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Driving forces of landscape change (special focus on the interaction of political, economic, cultural technological and natural drivers and on political and technological forces)
- Landscape management: instruments and evaluation
- Landscape functions
- Ecosystem goods and services
- Landscape ecology

Current projects

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vital	regional, national, international	X basic research
X one among other topics a side topic		X applied research consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional governance • Regional (economic) impacts of social, economic and ecological changes • Rural and mountain areas • Land development and spatial planning • Adaptation to climate change
Current projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • INTERREG IVB Alpine Space, Project CLISP «Climate Change Adaptation by Spatial Planning in the Alpine Space», funded by ARE, Federal Office for Spatial Development • ESPON CC, Climate Change and Territorial Effects on Regions and Local Economies, funded ESPON 2013 Programme • AlpFUTUR – Zukunft der Sömmerungsweiden in der Schweiz, finanziert durch div. Stiftungen und Bundesämter • Entrepreneurship in Swiss Rural Regions: a spatial analysis, funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation (SNF) • Forest Recreation: Quantification of regional economic externalities (RegioEx), funded by SBF/SER State Secretariat for Education and Research, COST Action E45 European Forest Externalities EUROFOREx

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vital	regional, national	X basic research
X one among other topics a side topic		X applied research consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Regional economics
- Regional economics and tourism

Current projects

- Die regionale Bedeutung der NASAK-Projekte - Kategorisierung und Quantifizierung der Effekte auf die Tourismus- und Regionalökonomie. Teilprojekt 3 des Forschungskonzepts Sport 2008–2011, awarding body: Bundesamt für Sport BASPO
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X	vital one among other topics a side topic	regional, international	basic research X applied research X consulting
	no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Urban social geography, urban and metropolitan area development, urban policy
- Economic geography, regional economic growth, competitive regions, economic growth strategies
- Developing countries and development strategies
- Applied contract research – household, consumer and business surveys

Current projects

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no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Knowledge-based regional development
- Entrepreneurship and Innovation
- Science and Technology Policy
- Globalization, Placemaking and Sustainability

Current projects

Focus: Switzerland & Europe:

- Small Town Sustainability: The role of Small Towns in Europe
- Second Tier Cities in Switzerland
- Green Economy, SMEs & Innovation

Focus: United States & Other Countries:

- The Role of Second Tier High-Tech Regions in the United States
- User and place-based innovation: The Activewear Industry in Portland, OR
- Microsoft and its children: Entrepreneurship in Seattle's High-Tech Economy
- Technology-based Economic Development in Weak R&D States
- Proximity and Distance in Transnational Knowledge Organization - A network analysis of Swiss industrial enterprises in the Yangtze River Delta (YRD), P.R. China

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one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Negotiating sustainability in natural resource use and management
- Sustaining livelihoods through migration
- Contested rural development in resource-poor areas
- Alpine landscape research (planning, sustainable development)
- Urban and regional labour markets
- Policies to foster the creative economy
- Post-conflict reconstruction, state building and humanitarian aid

Current projects

- Institutions, livelihoods and conflicts (NCCR North-South; SNSF and SDC)
- Migration, knowledge and development (SNSF and SDC)
- Landscape perception and transdisciplinarity
- Contested rural development (SNSF and SDC)
- Livelihood futures in resource-scarce areas (SNSF and SDC)
- Negotiating Rural Development at South Asia's Frontier (ProDoc)
- Post-tsunami housing rehabilitation in Sri Lanka (UPP Asia Europe)
- Clean Cities, Dirty Work? Geographies of Commercial Cleaning in Frankfurt and Nuernberg (WISAG AG)
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X vital one among other topics a side topic no topic	regional, national, international	X basic research X applied research consulting

Priorities/focus of research

- Innovation, knowledge economy and regional development
- Financial circuits and regional development
- Labour markets, competences and migrations
- Natural and cultural resources
- Residential Economy
- Experience Economy

Current projects

- EURODITE: Integrated project founded by the European Commission about regional trajectories to the knowledge economy (European FP6 project)
- SCANLA: Attractivités des villes suisses pour les ancrages localisés des réseaux d'entreprises (FNS, en partenariat avec l'Université de Lausanne)
- MORETRADONE: Mobilité résidentielle transfrontalière et fonctionnement des marchés locaux du logement entre le département du Doubs et le canton de Neuchâtel (Interreg, co-financement des régions)
- Forschungsauftrag «Neue Regionalpolitik und privatwirtschaftliche Initiative» (SECO, en partenariat avec l'Université de St-Gall).

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vital	regional, national	X basic research
X one among other topics a side topic		X applied research X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Transportation planning and mobility management
- Sustainable development / agenda 21
- Local energy production and energy use
- Adaptation to climate change / risk management
- Housing and real estate

Current projects

- Many projects on going, but they are carried out by the laboratories that are grouped in INTER: see INTER website

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vital	regional, national, international	basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research • Development of physical structures in the territory

Current projects

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collaborators 45 collaborators

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no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Strategieentwicklung für Regionen
- Standortwahlverhalten von Unternehmen
- Regional Governance
- Grenzüberschreitende Kooperation
- Wirkungsmessung

Current projects

- Zukunftsvorausschau auf der regionalen Ebene (Eigenprojekt)
- Soziale Netzwerkanalyse und Regional Governance (Dissertationsprojekt)
- Wachstumspole ausserhalb von Metropolräumen (MORO-Forschungsprojekt)
- Demografie und regionale Arbeitsmärkte (EU-Projekt)
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vital		basic research
one among other topics		applied research
a side topic		consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Land use transport interaction
- Social networks and travel as part of daily life
- Evaluation

Current projects

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one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Regional labour market
- Innovation - Entrepreneurship and regional development
- Regional management and competitiveness
- Regional policies

Current projects

- Strategic Plan for the Region of Locarno (Department of Institutions, Government of Canton Ticino)
- Strategic Plan for the Region of Bellinzona (Department of Institutions, Government of Canton Ticino)
- Onsernone 2020, Strategic Analysis in the Framework of the New Regional Policy (Department of Economics Affairs. Government of Canton Ticino)
- O-Lav, regional labour observatory (Government of Canton Ticino)
- O-Reg, regional observatory in the framework of the new regional policy (Government of Canton Ticino)
- Effects of Neighbourhood Choice on Housing Markets: a model based on the interaction between micro simulations and revealed/stated preference modelling (Swiss National Science Foundation)
- Evaluation of the optimal resilience for vulnerable infrastructure networks. An interdisciplinary pilot study on the transalpine transportation corridors (Swiss National Science Foundation)

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vital	regional, national, international	X basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Inter-municipal Cooperation and Municipal Mergers
- Democratic quality of inter-communal and inter-cantonal cooperation
- NPM-reforms
- Federalism

Current projects

2 Universities of Applied Science

Fachstelle Tourismus und Nachhaltige Entwicklung (FS TNE), Institut für Umwelt und Natürliche Ressourcen (IUNR) an der Zürcher Hochschule für Angewandte Wissenschaften (ZHAW)

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Number of collaborators	11 collaborators	

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
X vital one among other topics a side topic	regional, national, international	basic research X applied research X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Natur- und kulturnaher Tourismus Pärke von nationaler Bedeutung Agrotourismus Integrale Regionalentwicklung
Current projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Die Kompetenzstelle NKTGR sichert eine gemeinsame Strategie im natur- und kulturnahen Tourismus in Graubünden. Auftraggeber: Amt für Wirtschaft und Tourismus GR Regionaler Naturpark Beverin – Machbarkeit, Projektierung, Errichtung. Auftraggeber für Geschäftsstelle: Verein Naturpark Beverin Regionaler Naturpark Schwyz – Machbarkeit, Projektierung und fachliche Begleitung. Auftraggeber: Kernteam Regionaler Naturpark Schwyz Nationalpark Adula – Koordination und fachlicher Support für die Ausarbeitung des Managementplans. Auftraggeber: Verein Nationalpark Adula Impulsprogramm «Enjoy Switzerland» in Partnerschaft mit der Schweizer Berghilfe Fachliche Begleitung des Projektes in der Angebotsentwicklung und gezielter Support vor Ort in den vier Pilotregionen. Auftraggeber: Schweiz Tourismus Projekt «Kraft erleben» – Angebotsentwicklung im natur- und kulturnahen Tourismus im Kanton Glarus. Auftraggeber: Region Glarner Hinterland-Sernftal, Amt für Wirtschaft Kanton Glarus

- Auf Walserspuren durch Graubünden – Schwerpunktprojekte an den drei Etappenorten Rheinwald/Hinterrhein/Nufenen, Langwies/Fondei/Sapün/Medergen, St. Antönien. Auftraggeber: Walservereinigung Graubünden WVG
- Innovation durch Kultur – Ein Forschungsprojekt zur innovativen touristischen Inwertsetzung des kulturellen Erbes im Kanton Graubünden. Projektpartner: Institut für Kulturforschung Graubünden (ikg)
- AlpFusionen steuern – Analyse und Steuerung des alpwirtschaftlichen Strukturwandels mit dem Ziel einer vielfältigen Kulturlandschaftsentwicklung. Projektpartner: Verbundprojekt AlpFUTUR
- Nachhaltige Gemeindeentwicklung Nufenen/Rheinwald – Leitung und Moderation. Auftraggeber: Gemeinde Nufenen

Forschungsstelle für Wirtschaftspolitik (FoW), Hochschule für Technik und Wirtschaft HTW Chur

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Number of collaborators	5 collaborators

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X vital one among other topics a side topic	regional, national	basic research X applied research X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional policy and development • Regional value added • Regional structural change • Regional labour markets • Regional effects of tourism • International integration and regional effects
Current projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public procurement • The optimal size of municipalities • Supporting the attractiveness of places of residences and work • Handling the risks of corruption successfully • Export potential of service industries • Regional attractiveness for specialists and executive staff in the alpine rhine valley • The economic impact of large Swiss corporations • The potential for venture creation in Swiss regions • Regional value added through cultural tourism

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Number of collaborators 14 collaborators

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X vital one among other topics a side topic	regional, national	basic research X applied research X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Brain drain – brain gain
- Demographic change
- Civil society in rural space

Current projects

Institut für Betriebs- und Regionalökonomie (IBR), Kompetenzzentrum Regionalökonomie, Hochschule Luzern – Wirtschaft

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Number of collaborators 18 (competence centre) / 80 (institute)

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X vital one among other topics a side topic	regional, national	basic research X applied research X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Regional policy
- Regional business development
- Strategic development for cities, municipalities and regions
- Urban and regional planning
- Housing and regional development

Current projects

Institut für Landschaft und Freiraum, Hochschule für Technik Rapperswil (HSR)

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Number of collaborators	20 collaborators

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
vital	regional, national, international	basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landscape planning and landscape developing concepts • Nature-based tourism and parks (protected areas) • Renewable energies and landscape development • Evaluation and ,monitoring of regional sustainable development
Current projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ClimAlpTour. Climate change and its impact on tourism in the Alpine Space (European Territorial Cooperation, INTERREG IVB) • VISIMAN. Development of a visitor management tool for parks (KTI) • Touristische Positionierung von Naturpärken in der Schweiz und in Österreich (div. Auftraggeber) • Labelregionen. Entwicklung und Umsetzung eines Zertifizierungs-instruments für nachhaltige Regionalentwicklung in Berggebieten

Institut für Nachhaltige Entwicklung (INE), Zürcher Hochschule für angewandte Wissenschaften (zhaw)

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Number of collaborators	16 collaborators

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
vital	regional, national	basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support of local sustainable development • Identification of relevant topics for the future of communities and regions • Measuring the sustainability of regional development by the means of indicator systems • Optimal usage of participation processes in communal and regional planning • Importance of soft location factors such as 'image' or leisure quality
Current projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pilotprojekt Gewässerbezogene Naherholungsräume im Kanton Zürich, Canton Zurich (AWEL) • Stadtteilentwicklung Winterthur-Töss, KTI and community of Winterthur • NOGF – Sustainability Oriented Municipality Management, KTI and various Swiss communities

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Number of collaborators 7 collaborators

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vital	regional, national	basic research
X one among other topics a side topic		X applied research X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Urban and regional planning
- Planung in funktionale Räume
- Begleitung von Gemeindefusionen
- Quartierentwicklung
- Siedlungsökonomie und Infrastrukturkosten
- Bevölkerung und Siedlungsstrukturen

Current projects

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Number of collaborators	15 collaborators

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vital	regional, national, international	basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tourism Development • Destination Management • Attraction Management • Tourism Product Development
Current projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impact Analysis of Tourism and Leisure Activities in a Region, Appenzell Ausserhoden, Switzerland • Identification, Analysis and Recommendation for Tourism Development at the Lake of Constance, Thurgau Tourismus, St.Gallen-Bodensee Tourismus und Schaffhausen Tourismus, Switzerland • Recommendations concerning Standards for Tourism Attractions in the Rural Area, Landestourismusverband Sachsen, Dresden, Germany • Sustainable Development of Ecological Tourism in Arshan Mountain - Chaihe, Inner Mongolia, China, Sino-Swiss Management Training Programme

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Number of collaborators	30 collaborators

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no topic		

Priorities/focus of research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of tourism resorts and destinations • Regional economic impact analysis • Leisure and tourism traffic / transportation management • Public transport management
Current projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategisches Event-Management-System zur Steuerung, Bewertung und Förderung von Events in Destinationen • Hotel-Power I+II. Energieplattform für Schweizer Hoteliers • Markenstrategien von Schweizer Tourismusdestinationen • Bedeutungs- und Entwicklungsperspektiven des Gesundheits- und Wellnesstourismus in der Schweiz • UEFA EURO 2008 – Gesamtevaluation und Effekte auf die nachhaltige Entwicklung • Verkehrliche Anbindung der Schweizer Tourismusorte • Innovative Mobilitätslösungen in Feriendestinationen • Erlebnisorientierte Angebote im öffentlichen Verkehr

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Number of collaborators	14 collaborators

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X vital one among other topics a side topic	regional, national, international	basic research X applied research consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Start-up and growth: The potential for entrepreneurship of Swiss regions and the impact on regional development/Entrepreneurship potential of Swiss universities • Innovation in SMEs/Innovation potential of Swiss regions/Open innovation systems • Internationalization of Swiss SMEs
Current projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gründungsbarometer Graubünden: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Basic conditions and critical success factors for new and fast growing enterprises in Grisons -Entrepreneurship potential in Swiss Regions (sponsored by Graubündner Kantonalbank) • University and corporate spin-offs: Success factors, general conditions and entrepreneurship activities (collaboration with ETH Zürich) (sponsored by Gebert-Rüf-Stiftung) • Internationalization of Swiss SMEs Export fitness of Regional SMEs (sponsored by Förderstiftung HTW Chur) • Innovationsmonitor Graubünden (sponsored by Graubündner Kantonalbank) • Regional open innovation system Alpenrhein (ROIS Alpenrhein)

3 Private Institutes

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Category Private Institute

Number of collaborators 15 collaborators

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vital	regional, national, international	basic research
X one among other topics a side topic		X applied research consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Urban sprawl
- Development of the transport system
- Densification of urban landscape

Current projects

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Category Private Institute

Number of collaborators 25 collaborators

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X vital one among other topics a side topic	regional, national, international	X basic research X applied research X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Benchmarking: analysis of regional competitiveness with indicators for regional performance and attractiveness
- In-depth Industry-Analysis: detailed analysis of regional key industries such as Life Sciences, Technology, Financial Services, Tourism, Trade, etc.
- Impact Analysis: quantification of the economic impact of privat/public projects/measures
- Forecasting: model-based forecasts of regional key industries (Switzerland, worldwide)
- Consultancy: economic consultancy for political decision-makers and political processes

Current projects

- Internationales Benchmarking Programm für den Schweizer Tourismus (SECO und die wichtigsten Schweizer Ferienregionen: BE, GR, TI, VD, VS)
- Der Finanzsektor im Kanton Schwyz (Amt für Wirtschaft im Kanton Schwyz)
- «Bürgenstock-Resort» – Bedeutung für die Zentralschweizer Tourismuslandschaft und die regionale Volkswirtschaft (Bürgenstock Hotels AG)
- Perspectives de l'économie fribourgeoise (Statistique Fribourg, Banque Cantonale de Fribourg)

Rapport de Benchmarking 2009–2010 pour le Canton du Jura (République et Canton du Jura)

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Number of collaborators	12 collaborators

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vital	regional, national	basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Urban and regional economics • Public finance • Evaluation of policies and projects • Development of strategies and concepts • Regional economic promotion • Economic aspects of land use planning
Current projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alte (Wohn)Bauten: Abklärung der Um- und Neunutzungs-, sowie der Rückbaumöglichkeiten alter Wohnbauten an peripheren Standorten • Life Sciences als Motor für die KMU-Wirtschaft: Studie zur Abklärung der Bedeutung der Life Sciences-Industrie für die KMU-Wirtschaft in der Nordwestschweiz • Neugestaltung des Finanzausgleichs im Kanton Neuenburg: Erarbeitung eines angepassten Ressourcenausgleichs und eines neuen Lastenausgleichs • Further projects: see website

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Category Private Institute

Number of collaborators 30 collaborators

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vital	regional, national	basic research
X one among other topics a side topic		X applied research X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Evaluation und Entwicklung grenzüberschreitender, regionalpolitischer Strategien für Kantone und Regionen
- Entwicklung von Strategien zum Umgang mit potenzialarmen Räumen
- Organisationsberatung und Coaching von in der Regionalentwicklung tätigen Personen und Institutionen
- Evaluation von Entwicklungspotenzialen, Erstellung von SWOT-Analysen für Kantone und Regionen
- Evaluation und Controlling von Programmen und Projekten zur Regionalentwicklung

Current projects

- Entwicklung von Strategien zum Umgang mit potenzialarmen Räumen, Kanton Graubünden
- div. Standortevaluationsprojekte für Investoren: Analyse und Entwicklung nachhaltiger Arealentwicklungskonzepte zur ökonomischen, ökologischen und sozialen Wertsteigerung

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Number of collaborators 25 collaborators

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X vital	regional, national	X basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X consulting
no topic		

- Priorities/focus of research
- Locational quality, financial attractiveness of living, Regional business cycle
 - Regional demographics, migration and mobility, household incomes, purchasing power
 - Structure and perspectives of regional industry portfolios, regional value added and future growth potential
 - Regional and local real estate markets
 - GIS-Analysis, Cantonal public household's ratings

Current projects

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Category Private Institute

Number of collaborators 4 collaborators (part-time)

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vital	regional, national	X basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Economics and politics
- Economics and management
- Economics and psychology
- Economics and arts

Current projects

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Category Private Institute

Number of collaborators 3 collaborators

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vital	regional	basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Current projects
- Einpassung und Gestaltung landwirtschaftlicher Ökonomiebauten in Appenzell Ausserrhoden, Handbuch mit Anhängen, anschliessend Überprüfung anhand eines Pilotprojekts
 - Bau- und Umweltdepartement Kanton Appenzell Innerrhoden, Modellvorhaben des Bundes Synergien ländlicher Raum
 - Erhebung aller interkommunaler Kooperationen im Kanton St. Gallen; Departement des Innern Kanton St. Gallen
 - Organisation und Aufgaben einer Basisregion im Kanton St. Gallen; Departement des Innern Kanton St. Gallen

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Category Private Institute

Number of collaborators 18 collaborators

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vital	regional, national	basic research
X one among other topics a side topic		X applied research X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Energy
- Science and education

Current projects

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Number of collaborators 17 collaborators

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vital	regional, national	basic research
X one among other topics a side topic		X applied research X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Economic policy
- Regional economic impact of various policies
- (Regional) transport economics
- Evaluations
- Financial equalisation

Current projects

- regiouisse: Member of the steering committee
- further projects: see website

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Category Private Institute

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vital	regional, national	basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Strategies and programmes for urban and regional development
- Concepts and feasibility studies on territorial reforms
- Evaluation of political programmes and spatial development instruments
- Regional economic impacts and value creation studies
- Sector-specific studies with cluster analysis

Current projects

- Wertschöpfungspotenziale von Energieregionen (seit 2010): Studie im Auftrag Bundesamt für Raumentwicklung, Bundesamt für Energie, Bundesamt für Landwirtschaft und regionuisse
- Nachhaltigkeitsbeurteilung Skiinfrastrukturausbau Andermatt (seit 2010): Studie im Auftrag Amt für Umweltschutz und Volkswirtschaftsdirektion des Kantons Uri
- Regionalwirtschaftliche Effekte der Hochschule für Technik und Wirtschaft Chur (seit 2010): Studie im Auftrag der Hochschule für Technik und Wirtschaft Chur
- Aufbau und Umsetzung eines Regionalmarketings für die Region Scharmützelsee (Bundesland Brandenburg): Mandat im Auftrag der AG Airport Region Scharmützelsee und des regionalen Wachstumskerns Fürstenwalde/Spree, gemeinsam mit Ernst Basler + Partner GmbH Potsdam
- Wertschöpfungskompetenz der Region Ingolstadt. Bilanzierung von Wissens- und Innovationskapital in Querschnittstechnologien (seit 2009): Studie im Auftrag von Audi AG und der Initiative Regionalmanagement Region Ingolstadt e.V., gemeinsam mit Lehrstuhl für Raumentwicklung Technische Universität München, Katholische Universität Eichstätt-Ingolstadt, Norddeutsche Landesbank/Regionalwirtschaft und Deutsches Institut für Urbanistik DIFU

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Category Private Institute

Number of
collaborators 5 collaborators

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X	vital one among other topics a side topic	regional, national, international	basic research X applied research X consulting
	no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Agricultural Economics
- Regional Economics
- Development Strategies & Concepts
- Prospects & Changes, Impact Analysis
- Consulting, Implementing, Coaching
- Evaluation of Policies & Projects
- Knowledge Management

Current projects

- Leitfaden für die regionalwirtschaftliche Beurteilung von Entwicklungsstrategien und –projekten
- Transumanza
- Wissensplattform www.berggebiete.ch
- Strukturanalyse der Urner Landwirtschaft
- Nutzungskonzept für die Alpen am Kerenzerberg
- Osservatorio economico della Valposchiavo
- Gewässerentwicklungskonzept und Landwirtschaftliche Planung Valposchiavo
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Number of collaborators	5 collaborators

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vital	regional, national, international	X basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standortentwicklung (Gemeinden, Regionen): Strategien und Entwicklungsplanung für Gemeinden und Regionen • Tourismusentwicklung (Destinationen): Marketinganalysen und -strategien, Online-Befragungen von Gästen, Masterplanung für Destinationen • Raumplanung und Ortsplanung auf der Grundlage von GIS • Marktforschung und Standortmarketing für Gemeinden und Tourismusregionen
Current projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wachstumsdeterminanten im alpinen Tourismus der Schweiz. Investition und Naturkapital als Grundlagen für die Entwicklung von alpinen Destinationen der Schweiz • Marktforschung für alpine Destination der Schweiz und Österreichs. Gästebefragung mit internationalem Online-Benchmarking

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Number of collaborators 2 collaborators

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vital	regional, national	X basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Demography and regional development
- Housing needs and regional housing markets
- Regional development, development programmes, policy analysis
- Evaluation of programmes and policies
- Monitoring of regional and other development

Current projects

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Category Private Institute

Number of collaborators 15 collaborators

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
vital	regional, national	X basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Urban sprawl, low density housing and mobility in rural areas
- Regional identity
- Residential economy
- Tourism
- Implications for public finance and the national economy

Current projects

Infras

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Internet	www.infras.ch
Category	Private Institute
Number of collaborators	45 collaborators

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
vital	regional, national, international	basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X consulting
no topic		

- Priorities/focus of research
- Evaluation, monitoring
 - Regional economic development
 - Sustainable development, socio-economic and environmental impacts and interlinkages
 - Regional development programmes, policy analysis and formulation
 - Urbanisation, land use, spatial planning, economic instruments, transport, telecommunications

Current projects

INTERFACE Politikstudien Forschung Beratung

Address Seidenhofstrasse 12
6003 Luzern

Contact Stefan Rieder; rieder@interface-politikstudien.ch; (041 226 04 26)

Internet www.interface-politikstudien.ch

Category Private Institute

Number of collaborators 22 collaborators

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
vital	regional, national, international	X basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Energy policy
- Demographic change
- Brain-Drain

Current projects

- DEMOCHANGE: Demographic change in the Alps. Adaptation strategies to spatial planning and regional development (Interreg IV B Alpine Space / ARE)
- further projects: see website

Laboratorio Ingegneria dello Sviluppo Schürch (LISS)

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6946 Ponte Capriasca

Contact Dieter Schürch; dieter.schuerch@myliss.ch

Internet www.myliss.ch

Category Private Institutes

Number of collaborators 6 Collaborators

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
X vital one among other topics a side topic	regional, national, international	X basic research X applied research X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Synthèse entre approche ethnographique et approche économique
- Le regard de l'enfant entre 3 et 7 ans sur les régions périphériques
- Learning districts dans la valorisation des témoignages artistiques
- Pédagogie de la formation à distance
- Activation des processus cognitifs
- Formation des guides locales

Current projects

- Learning districts dans la valorisation des témoignages artistiques
- Le chemin des chèvres
- L'évaluation des projets de développement régional
- Prédicteurs et indicateurs de réussite
- Simulation des facteurs dynamiques du développement dans différentes régions des Alpes

LEP Consultants AG

Address c/o ETH Zurich, HIL H28.3,
Wolfgang-Pauli-Strasse 15,
8093 Zurich

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Internet www.lepcag.ch

Category Private Institutes

Number of collaborators 3 employees

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
vital	regional, national, international	basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Spatial development, landscape and environmental planning
- Sustainable tourism development
- Communication and public participation, Good Governance
- Monitoring and Controlling
- Information technology (GIS and visualization)

Current projects

- Kantonsübergreifendes Entwicklungskonzept (KEK) Seetal-Hallwilersee (Auftraggeber: Kantone Aargau und Luzern)
- Spatial Development Strategy / Master Plan Jincheng New Southern City, Kunming Municipality, PR China (Awarding body: Jinning County Government)
- Shaxi Rehabilitation Project - Regional Development in a Mountainous Valley in the Southern Himalayas, PR China (Awarding body: Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation SDC)

PLANVAL AG

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Internet	www.planval.ch
Category	Private Institute
Number of collaborators	8 collaborators

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
X vital one among other topics a side topic	regional, national, international	basic research X applied research X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge management and knowledge transfer between different stakeholders • Evaluation and monitoring • Regional development programmes, policy analysis and formulation • Empowerment and participation • Learning processes • Heritage Interpretation • Co-operation and creation of networks • Implementation of New Regional Policy • Processes moderation in regional development • Coaching and project management • Organisational development • Labour market
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Current projects	<p>Planval as the Head of regiosuisse supports the implementation of the New Regional Policy (NRP) in Switzerland (knowledge transfer and knowledge management (regiosuisse/SECO)).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Co-operation between Hotels • Further projects: see website
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seecon gmbh

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Internet www.seecon.ch

Category Private Institutes

Number of
collaborators 14 Collaborators

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
vital	Regional, international	basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Implementation of New Regional Policy
- Knowledge management and knowledge transfer between different stakeholders
- Moderation and mediation processes for regional development
- Value added chains (wood, forest management)
- Processes moderation in regional development
- Change management, development of platforms, stakeholder involvement
- Project implementation for regional development (Typha value added chain, Tropenhaus Wolhusen)
- Sustainable tourism development (international projects)
- Evaluation and monitoring

Current projects

- Supporting the implementation of the New Regional Policy (NRP) in Switzerland (knowledge transfer and knowledge management (regiosuisse/SECO)
- Tropenhaus Schweiz
- «Businet Rohrkolben» in the Canton of Lucerne
- Development of regional policy and sustainable tourism concepts in Central Asia

Studi Associati SA

Address Via Zurigo 19
6904 Lugano

Contact info@sasa.ch

Internet www.sasa.ch

Category Private Institute

Number of collaborators 10 collaborators

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
vital	regional	basic research
X one among other topics		applied research
a side topic		X Consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Regional planning (territorial development and mobility)
- Organisational support (project governance)

Current projects

synergo Mobilität – Politik – Raum

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Postfach 5284
8045 Zürich

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Internet www.synergo.ch

Category Private Institute

Number of collaborators 3 collaborators

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
vital	regional, national, international	X basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X Consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- synergo practices consulting, research, policy evaluation, project management and planning in mobility management, transport and land-use, environment and energy, urban and regional policies, and political processes and institutions.
- synergo is supported by permanent and project-related specialists and cultivates continuous contact with other research institutions and universities. As SME, the leadership and interdisciplinary control of complex projects is one of synergo's main strengths.
- Transport, land-use, environment and energy policy developments and relevant impacts in a regional context
- Analysis and consulting concerning reform strategies in the Swiss federalism, in political processes and institutions, and in communal, cantonal and international cooperation models with a regional approach
- Comparative learning from each other - regional policies in Switzerland, European countries and Eastern Europe

Current projects

- Secretary of the Zurich Metropolitan Area
- Research and project management on neighbourhood policy and social mobility (Tscharnergut Bern)
- Partner in COST A9 Civitas, A26, Urban Governance and Transportation
- Partner in COST TU0803 Shrinking Cities
- Partner in the Image-Project Interreg IIIB NWE
- Research and project management at the communal, cantonal and federal level concerning political collaboration (Zurich region, Winterthur, ARE, Sarajevo)
- Research and project management in political communication (transportation, spatial planning, nuclear waste depository)
- Evaluation (Alpine freight traffic, environmental impact assessment, energy research)

4 Awarding Authorities

Bundesamt für Landwirtschaft (BLW)

Address	Mattenhofstrasse 5 3003 Bern
Contact	info@blw.admin.ch
Internet	www.blw.admin.ch
Category	Awarding authority (Auftraggeber, Mandants)
Number of collaborators	260 collaborators

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
vital	regional, national, international	basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X Consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (Structural change in) agriculture and regional development • Agricultural landscape and biodiversity • Regional products (AOC, IGP, etc.)
Current projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ERA-NET RURAGRI – Facing sustainability: new relationships between rural areas and agriculture in Europe

Bundesamt für Raumentwicklung (ARE)

Address	Mühlestrasse 2 3063 Ittigen
Contact	Dr. Christian Küng; christian.kueng@are.admin.ch, Toni Brauchle; toni.brauchle@are.admin.ch
Internet	www.are.admin.ch
Category	Awarding authority (Auftraggeber, Mandants)
Number of collaborators	80 collaborators

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
vital	regional, national, international	basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X Consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raumkonzept Schweiz als tripartiter Bezugsrahmen für eine nachhaltige Entwicklung der Schweiz • Ländlicher Raum (Koordination der Sektoralpolitiken im Bundesnetzwerk Ländlicher Raum; Modellvorhaben, Entwicklung von Strategien) • Agglomerationspolitik (Agglomerationsprogramme, Modellvorhaben, Weiterentwicklung) • Zusammenwirken zwischen Stadt und Land (funktionale Räume, Handlungsräume); grenzüberschreitende Zusammenarbeit • Siedlung und Verkehr; Siedlungsentwicklung; Landschaftsentwicklung, Lokale Agenda 21
Current projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • siehe ARAMIS: www.aramis.admin.ch; Forschungsstelle ARE

Bundesamt für Statistik (BFS)

Address Espace de l'Europe 10
2010 Neuchâtel

Contact Viktor Goebel; viktor.goebel@bfs.admin.ch

Internet www.bfs.admin.ch
www.bfs.admin.ch/bfs/portal/de/index/regionen.html

Category Awarding authority (Auftraggeber, Mandants)

Number of collaborators ca. 700 collaborators

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
vital	regional, national	X basic research
X one among other topics		applied research
a side topic		Consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Production of various geo-referenced, communal and regional data
- Monitoring of regional disparities and development, conception of a set of key indicators
- Participation at the European research programme «Urban Audit»

Current projects

- Regionale Disparitäten in der Schweiz
- Urban Audit
- New definition of agglomerations (AGGLOSUISSE)

Bundesamt für Umwelt (BAFU)

Address Papiermühlestrasse 172
3063 Ittigen

Contact info@bafu.admin.ch

Internet www.bafu.admin.ch
www.bafu.admin.ch/raumplanung/index.html?lang=de

Category Awarding authority (Auftraggeber, Mandants)

Number of collaborators 390 collaborators (100% equivalent)

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
vital	national	basic research
X one among other topics		applied research
a side topic		X Consulting
no topic		

- Priorities/focus of research
- Nature Parks (Swiss national parks / Regional nature parks of national interest, UNESCO heritage list etc.)
 - Bundesnetzwerk ländlicher Raum, Modellvorhaben ländlicher Raum
 - Federal inventory of landscapes and natural sites; their importance for the natural and cultural heritage as well as their importance for tourism
 - Landscape diversity as a location factor
 - Ecosystem Services / Landschaftsleistungen
 - Steuerliche Anreize Flächenverbrauch

Current projects

Schweizerischer Nationalfonds (SNF)

Address	Wildhainweg 3 Postfach 8232 3001 Bern
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Internet	www.snf.ch
Category	Awarding authority (Auftraggeber, Mandants)
Number of collaborators	120 collaborators

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
vital	regional, national,	X basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

Current projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NFP 54: Nachhaltige Siedlungs- und Infrastrukturentwicklung • NFP 65: Neue urbane Qualität
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Neue urbane Qualität (NFP 65)

Address	Postfach 8232 3001 Bern
Contact	Dr. Stephanie Schönholzer; sschoenholzer@snf.ch; (031 308 22 22)
Internet	www.nfp65.ch
Category	Awarding authority (Auftraggeber, Mandants)

Number of collaborators

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
X vital one among other topics a side topic	regional, national,	X basic research X applied research consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research	• see www.nfp65.ch
Current projects	• see www.nfp65.ch

Nachhaltige Siedlungs- und Infrastrukturentwicklung (NFP 54)

Address	Postfach 8232 3001 Bern
Contact	Dr. Stefan Husi; shusi@snf.ch; (031 308 22 22)
Internet	www.nfp54.ch
Category	Awarding authority (Auftraggeber, Mandants)

Number of collaborators										
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	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy								
X vital one among other topics a side topic	regional, national,	X basic research X applied research consulting								
no topic										

Priorities/focus of research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • see www.nfp54.ch
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Current projects	<p>Diverse Forschungsprojekte, u.a.:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gestaltung von Siedlungsräumen für eine alternde Gesellschaft • Wie können Einfamilienhaussiedlungen nachhaltig entwickelt werden? • Wie lässt sich die Zersiedelung der Schweiz stoppen? • Wie wird Nachhaltigkeit im Baubereich gefördert? • Szenarien zur nachhaltigen Entwicklung der bebauten Umwelt der Schweiz
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Staatssekretariat für Wirtschaft (SECO), Ressort Regional- und Raumordnungspolitik

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Contact	Mark Reinhard; mark.reinhard@seco.admin.ch
Internet	www.seco.admin.ch/themen/00476/00496/index.html?lang=de
Category	Awarding authority (Auftraggeber, Mandants)
Number of collaborators	Budget: Project Support NRP 40 Mio CHF/a

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
X vital one among other topics a side topic	regional, national	basic research X applied research X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research
Current projects

State Secretary for Education and research (SER)

Address	Hallwylstrasse 4 3003 Berne
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Internet	www.sbf.admin.ch
Category	Awarding authority (Auftraggeber, Mandants)
Number of collaborators	100 collaborators

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
vital	international	basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
X a side topic		Consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Finance research at an international level
- Programmation of research
- 7th framework programme
- General research in regional development

We finance a part of the European research budget (7th framework programme) in order to allow Swiss researchers participating equally with European researchers in different areas.

Current projects

5 NGOs, Associations, Networks

AGRIDEA

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Internet	www.agridea.ch	
Category	NGOs, Associations, Networks	
Number of collaborators	150	

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
vital	regional, national	basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

Current projects

Association Suisse pour le service aux régions et communes

Address Place de la Poste 1
3961 Vissoie

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info1982@serec.ch; (027 475 60 30)

Internet www.serec.ch

Category NGOs, Associations, Networks

Number of collaborators 8 collaborators

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
X vital one among other topics a side topic no topic	regional, national, international	basic research applied research X consulting

- Priorities/focus of research
- Strategy/management of regional associations and regional parks (private-public-partnerships, PPP)
 - Regional development concepts; territorial marketing; land planning, tourism, agriculture
 - Merging and restructuring territorial organisations (regions, NPO)
 - Process facilitation/moderation in regional and municipal territorial development
 - Regional management, coaching of regional managers
 - Interregional; intercantonal; cross-border co-operation
 - Inter-municipal co-operation; processes of municipality merging
 - Municipal energy concepts («Energy City»)
 - Territorial and regional communication and promotion systems
 - Knowledge management

Current projects

CIPRA Schweiz

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Internet	www.cipra.org/de/CIPRA/cipra-schweiz
Category	NGOs, Associations, Networks
Number of collaborators	1 collaborator (30%)

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
vital	regional, national	basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Klimaschutz und Regionalentwicklung: cc.alps und climalp, vgl. www.cipra.org • Kommunikationsaufgaben beim Gemeindeforum Allianz in den Alpen
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Current projects	See «Priorities/focus of research in regional development/policy»
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F&E-Konsortium Tour Espace: Tourismus und Lebensraum

Address	Hochschule Luzern – Wirtschaft Institut für Tourismuswirtschaft ITW Rösslimatte 48 6002 Luzern
Contact	Marc Amstutz; marc.amstutz@hslu.ch; itw@hslu.ch
Internet	www.tourespace.ch/index.php
Category	NGOs, Associations, Networks
Number of collaborators	15 collaborators

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
X vital one among other topics a side topic no topic	regional, national	basic research X applied research consulting

- Priorities/focus of research
- Die Wettbewerbsfähigkeit der Tourismusbranche steigern
 - Die innovative Entwicklung in den Bereichen Tourismus und Lebensraum fördern
 - Einen Beitrag für die nachhaltige Entwicklung im Bereich Lebensraum leisten

Current projects

Interakademische Kommission Alpenforschung (ICAS)

Address	Schwarztorstrasse 9 3007 Bern
Contact	icas@scnat.ch; (031 318 70 18)
Internet	www.alpienstudies.ch
Category	NGOs, Associations, Networks
Number of collaborators	Commission with 15 members, and a 60% office

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
vital	national	X basic research
X one among other topics a side topic		X applied research consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inter- and transdisciplinary alpine research • Early detection of research needs • Networking • Information system on alpine research/expertise
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Current projects

Internationales Wissenschaftliches Komitee Alpenforschung (ISCAR)

Address	Schwarztorstrasse 9 3007 Bern
Contact	icas@scnat.ch; (031 318 70 18)
Internet	www.iscar-alpineresearch.org
Category	NGOs, Associations, Networks
Number of collaborators	Committee with 12 members and a 40% office

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
vital	international	X basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		consulting
no topic		

- Priorities/focus of research
- Inter- and trans-disciplinary research on a pan-alpine scale
 - Ecological networks
 - Water issues
 - Metropolitan interactions – alpine space (ForumAlpinum 2010)
 - Research in alpine protected areas

Current projects

OcCC, Beratendes Organ für Fragen der Klimaänderung (OcCC)

Address	Schwarztorstrasse 9 3007 Bern
Contact	Christoph Kull; kull@scnat.ch
Internet	www.occc.ch
Category	NGOs, Associations, Networks
Number of collaborators	committee with 15 scientific members and a 120% scientific /administrative office

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
vital one among other topics	national	basic research applied research
X a side topic		X consulting
no topic		

- Priorities/focus of research
- Climate change
 - Scenarios
 - Impacts
 - Adaptation
 - Mitigation

Current projects

RegioForte

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Internet	www.regioforte.ch
Category	NGOs, Associations, Networks
Number of collaborators	7 members (SMEs) with a total of 32 employees

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
vital	regional, national	basic research
X one among other topics		X applied research
a side topic		X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • transports and mobility • regional economy and territorial marketing • energy and waste management • housing development and landscape • health care and social affairs • culture and regional identity • tourism, sports and recreation
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Current projects

Schweizerische Arbeitsgemeinschaft für die Berggebiete (SAB) und Konferenz der Regionen

Address	Seilerstrasse 4 Postfach 7836 3001 Bern
Contact	Thomas Egger; info@sab.ch; (031 382 10 10)
Internet	www.sab.ch
Category	NGOs, Associations, Networks
Number of collaborators	Zentralstelle: 11 collaborators Members are: 23 cantons, roughly 700 municipalities, most of the Swiss mountain regions, roughly 30 tourism regions, about 100 agricultural and industrial associations, and more than 500 individuals.

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
X vital one among other topics a side topic	national, international	basic research applied research X consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exchange of experience among the different stakeholders in the field of regional policy and rural development with an actual main focus on regional management (-> Konferenz der Regionen) • Lobbying for mountain and rural areas in Switzerland, and providing necessary background information • Topics are multisectoral and cover all aspects with a territorial impact ranging from economic policy to environmental policy and to social aspects. • Provision of consulting for regional actors • Communication on mountain and rural aspects through our own magazine «Montagna», the website and other means
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Current projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACCESS – Improving accessibility to services of general interest, INTERREG IVB-Project • Bus Alpin – Provision of public transports to improve accessibility of tourist regions • Transfer of technologies and knowledge • Gemeindennetzwerk Allianz in den Alpen, management of the network in Switzerland
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Schweizerische Studiengesellschaft für Raumordnung und Regionalpolitik (ROREP)

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3011 Bern

Contact Stefano Wagner; info@rorep.ch

Internet www.rorep.ch

Category NGOs, Associations, Networks

Number of collaborators About 100 members (from universities and universities of applied science, from the federal, cantonal and municipal administration, from private consulting agencies and associations)

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
X vital one among other topics a side topic	national	basic research applied research consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research

- Projektorientierte Raumentwicklung
- Ländliche Räume
- Aus- und Weiterbildung (École doctorale)

Current projects

UNESCO Biosphäre Entlebuch

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Internet	www.biosphaere.ch
Category	NGOs, Associations, Networks
Number of collaborators	5 collaborators

The topic of regional development and regional policy is...	Main focus of research in regional development/policy	Type of research in regional development/policy
vital	regional	X basic research
X one among other topics a side topic		X applied research consulting
no topic		

Priorities/focus of research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build-up of ecological and social sustainability monitoring system for UNESCO reporting • Potentials and ways of realization for renewable energy production • Sustainable mobility management • Ways to improve livelihoods of local farmers
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Current projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build-up of a quantitative and qualitative landscape monitoring system (self -funded) • Preliminary study on renewable energy potential (self -funded)
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