



FUNCAP Coffee Talk #7

Swiss Foundations

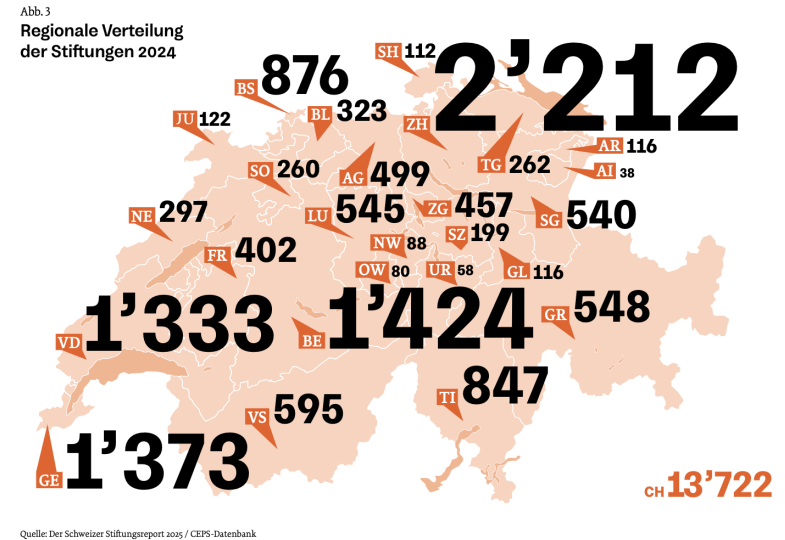
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#1 Facts & Figures



- **13,722** foundations with annual expenditures of **CHF 6 billion**
- **50% (+20%)** are grant-giving foundations
- Sector focus: **11%** international development
- Mainly in **Zurich, Geneva** and **Bern**

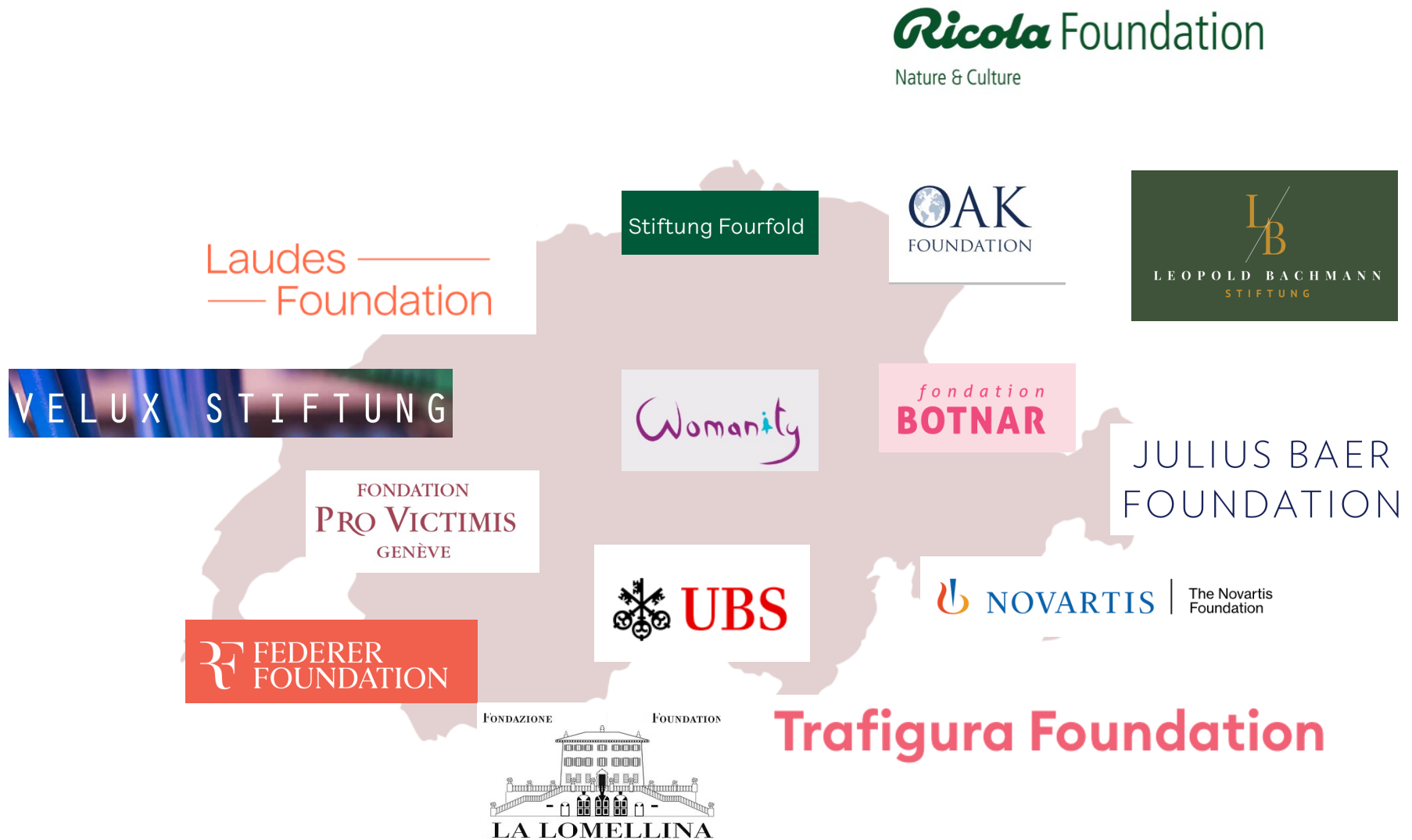
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Characteristics

- Many require a **Swiss connection**
- Some large ones but many give **smaller grant amounts**
- Trend towards **invitation-only** giving
- **Collaborative philanthropy** is starting to take off...

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Some examples



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Where to research them

The image shows a search interface for TripleFunds. It features several filter sections: 'DONOR TYPE' with 'Foundation' selected, 'DONOR BASE' with 'Switzerland' selected, 'FUNDING TYPES', 'ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS', and 'FREE TEXT'. There is also a checkbox for 'OPEN FOR APPLICATION ALL YEAR'. At the bottom, there are buttons for 'SEARCH', 'RESET', and a results summary 'FOUND 300 ENTRIES' with a menu icon. Red boxes highlight the 'DONOR TYPE', 'DONOR BASE', and 'FOUND 300 ENTRIES' elements.

DONOR TYPE
Foundation x

DONOR BASE
Switzerland x

FUNDING TYPES

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

FREE TEXT

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SEARCH 🔍 RESET 🗑️ **FOUND 300 ENTRIES** ≡

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Foundraiso

Search ...

FILTER Reset filter 1

GEOGRAPHY

Area of activity

Search all areas of action

Country of domicile

Filter ... X

- Switzerland 25086
- United Kingdom 25139
- Liechtenstein 2125
- GERMANY 743
- Austria 436

Results 1 - 20 of more than 5000

Atlas Foundation

The purpose of the foundation is to procure and

Living space Seniors

Zurich, CH GERMAN

ETH Zurich Foundation

The purpose of the foundation is to promote re:

Education Research and Science

Zurich, CH GERMAN

[Fundraiso](#)

SwissFoundations

Name of the foundation

Name of the foundation

Funding topics

- Education & Upbringing
- Research & Science
- International cooperation
- Art & Culture
- Social & Social Issues
- Environment & Sustainability

Addax and Oryx Foundation

The but of the foundation is to contribute to sustainable development projects s'attack aux caus...

[SwissFoundations](#)

[Philea](#)

Search by member name

242 results

- Foundation and philanthropic organisation
- Philanthropy infrastructure organisation
- Associate member

A map of Switzerland with several black location pins placed across the country, indicating the locations of various foundations or organizations. The map shows major cities like Geneva, Lausanne, Zurich, and Basel, as well as neighboring regions like Dijon, Lyon, and Milan.

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How to engage with them

[Event calendar SwissFoundations](#)
[Alliance Magazine](#)

- **Networks** and **sector events**
- **Linkedin**: both for research and connecting
- Personal contacts and **relationships** are key

The philanthropy “bubble”



PHILANTHROPY ADVISORS

Examples:
LGT Venture Philanthropy, The
Philanthropic Initiative, Rockefeller
Philanthropy Advisors

PHILANTHROPIC ASSOCIATIONS

Examples:
WINGS, Philea, National Foundation
Associations

NETWORKS / WORKING GROUPS

Examples:
Alliance for Gender Equality, European
Philanthropy Coalition for Climate, Working
Group Corporate Foundations

FUNDERS

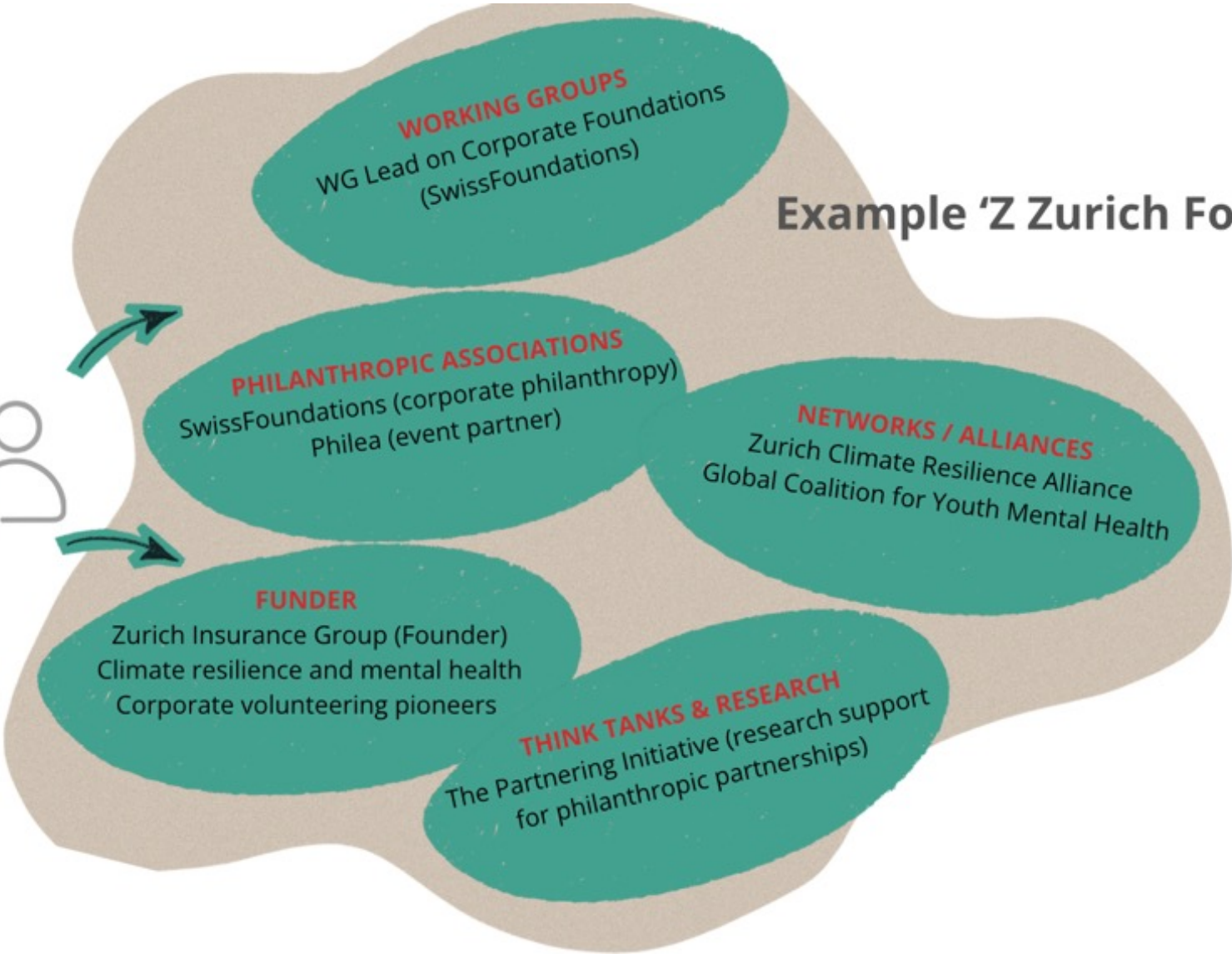
Foundations (Independent, Family,
Corporate, Community)
HNWIs, Family Offices

THINK TANKS & RESEARCH

Examples:
ERNOP, CEPS, Alliance Magazine



Example 'Z Zurich Foundation'



...our next events



FUNCAP Cohorts 2026

**September/October
November**

www.triple-minds.com/funcap-cohort/

**Webinar: Unrestricted
Funding**

28th of May 2026

[LINK](#)



TIME FOR **YOUR** QUESTIONS!

