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INDIA

**Tapping into
India's talent**
isn't hard anymore



38.5 million
people in higher education



1043 universities
in India



28.5 years
median age

Talent distribution



54

central
universities

416

state
universities

125

deemed
universities

361

private
universities

159

institutes
of national
importance
IITs
IISERs
IIMs
NITs
AIIMS

University distribution



522

general



177

technical



63

agriculture
and allied



66

medical



23

law



12 & 11

Sanskrit language



145

others



24

unclassified

Source: AISHE 2019-202

India sends a large number of students abroad every year. According to the latest report on 'Higher Education Abroad' by the consulting firm Redseer, currently 770,000 Indian Students are studying abroad.

Premier Indian universities now seek partnerships with aligned objectives, and are taking initiatives to build a stronger global network outside the United States and UK.

It is quite a radical shift, and a great opportunity for Swiss Universities to explore strategic institutional partnerships.

To make Switzerland a go-to destination for Indian students and researchers, Swiss universities need to partner with the key players in the Indian academia sector.

Now how would you go about it, given that India has over 1000 universities and 150 institutions of national importance?

How can you find the right partners and engagement models that are relevant in today's academic landscape?

Here's where you need expert intervention. Experts who understand the Swiss and Indian ecosystems equally well.

Swissnex in India has been facilitating strong and sustainable Indo-Swiss partnerships in academia for over a decade. Premier Swiss universities and institutes like ETH Zurich, EPFL, ECAL, UNIL, Uni Basel, ZHAW and LSB have leveraged our expertise and network to establish and sustain long-standing partnerships.

Here's a quick look at what we do and how we can foster partnerships that take international exchanges to the next level.

What we offer

- **Access to our strong India-wide network.** Connect with India's most influential and most interesting stakeholders across the academia, industry and startup landscape
- **Support of a dynamic team** with extensive experience, who are advisors, coaches, connectors and co-creators
- **Strategic consulting** to foster successful international partnerships in academia, industry and innovation
- Developing exciting and engaging **modules for student engagement** across India and Switzerland.
- **Creating impactful connections** in the academic space at the university, faculty and student level alike

How can we make your international exchanges seamless

Through collaborative agreements

that leverage our network in Switzerland, India, and the collective knowledge of the global Swissnex network. The engagement could include:

- Co-creating internationalization strategies and staff mobility programs
- Developing tailored study tours in India for faculty and students on relevant topics, e.g. robotics, antimicrobial resistances or sustainability
- Facilitating semester projects with a practice element like studios or collaborative international learning experiences (COILS)
- Conducting benchmarking exercises for global explorations like how to find a relevant international partner on the individual and department level
- Knowledge partnership: Fact finding, market insights
- Industry connect - Curated programs to excel beyond the world of academia; to help aspiring entrepreneurs take their ideas to the markets



Through our flagship programs

- Be part of our flagship programs like the **India Industry Internships**, the **Knowledge2Action Network** or the **ThinkSwiss Scholarship Program**

Through tailor-made programs

- Have a unique requirement that needs a customized solution? Try us. Finding the perfect fit is our strong suit

Interestingly, the idea of the India Industry Internship program was conceptualized during a long taxi ride where Prof. Roland Seigwart from ETH Zurich was having a conversation about solving Bangalore's traffic woes.

Give it a read.

Here's how a group of young enthusiasts from EPFL, EPFL+ECAL Lab and UNIL tackled social innovation challenges on-field in Bangalore through a two-week-long immersion program called the **India Switzerland Social Innovation Camp (INSSINC)** organised by SELCO Foundation in partnership with us.

A person is sitting at a wooden desk, writing in a spiral-bound notebook with a blue pen. They are wearing a white sweater with pink cuffs and a red wristband. A ring is visible on their left hand. The background is blurred, showing other people and a bright, indoor setting.

Interested in exploring our programs? Let's talk.

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