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The Embassy of Switzerland presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Latvia and has the honour to inform the Ministry on the following:

As in earlier years, the Swiss Government offers a number of Excellence Scholarships to Latvian students in a programme based on a pool system.

There are following types of scholarship available for applicants from Latvia:

- Research: - Research fellowships Postgraduate level  
- PhD scholarships Postgraduate level  
- PostDoc scholarships Postgraduate level
- Arts: - Art scholarships Master level (only initial MA degree; candidates already holding a Master's degree will not be considered)

The following aspects of the application will be considered mainly:

- The candidate: Her/his academic profile, the research capacity and motivation;
- The research proposal: Its originality and methodological soundness;
- The academic context: The quality and context of supervision and the potential for future academic cooperation.


The Federal Commission for Scholarships for Foreign Students (FCS) will select scholarship holders for the 2020–21 academic year by the end of May 2020.

Precise information regarding the different scholarship types as well as regarding the eligibility criteria are available on the FCS webpage: [www.sbf.admin.ch/scholarships\\_eng](http://www.sbf.admin.ch/scholarships_eng)

Information about studying and living in Switzerland is to find here:

<https://www.studyinswitzerland.plus/>

The deadline for submission of the applications of all candidates to the Embassy of Switzerland is **22 November 2019**.

The Embassy of Switzerland avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Latvia the assurances of its highest consideration. 

Riga, 19 August 2019

To the Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
of the Republic of Latvia  
Riga

Enclosures:

01\_FCS\_Guidelines4Applicants\_eng\_2020\_2021  
02\_FCS\_Application\_Form\_eng\_2020\_2021  
03\_FCS\_Application\_Research\_Proposal\_Form\_eng\_2020\_2021  
04\_FCS\_Application\_Letter\_of\_Recommendation\_form\_eng\_2020-2021  
05\_FCS\_Application\_Medical\_certificate\_form\_eng\_2020-2021  
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