



**SCS**  
Swiss Chemical  
Society

**Division of  
Fundamental Research**

## Rules for Support of conferences, seminars and lectures by the DFR

**Purpose:** The DFR supports financially the organizers of conferences, symposia, summer schools and similar events of cutting-edge chemical sciences in Switzerland.

### Basic Criteria for the event

1. The topic covered by the conference must be in the chemical sciences. The conference program must meet international standards.
2. The event shall be attractive for young students of the chemical sciences.
3. Outstanding speakers from outside Switzerland are desirable
4. The organizers must be members of a Swiss research institution (Academia or Industry) and be members of the SCS.
5. The conference should take place in Switzerland.
6. The conference should not duplicate an activity already covered by a Swiss Chemical Institution and be primarily research oriented.
7. The event should be unique and not being recurrent
8. Minimal duration of half a day (4h) is required

### Application process

The application must be concise and comprise the following sections/information. It must be sent directly to the president of the DFR. **Annual deadlines for submission are March 1 and October 1.** Applications for past events or events taking place before the next DFR board meeting will not be considered.

1. Scientific description of the event – topic in chemical sciences
2. Targeted audience and expected number of participants
3. Final or preliminary program including speaker's names and affiliation
4. Provisional budget, providing details about further third party funds
5. Names of the organizing/scientific committee

### Selection process

1. The DFR board will review the application and decide at one of its two annual meetings according to the basic criteria for funding.
2. The applicants are informed immediately after the meeting about the board's decision.
3. The approved amount shall not exceed 10'000 CHF for an event lasting more than one day and 5'000 CHF for a one-day event. The DFR can provide a sum of money or give a shortfall guarantee.

### After the event

1. The organizers are strongly encouraged to report in Chimia about larger events.