

Good morning!

We are pleased to present the latest edition of our Technology Fund Update, with a compact summary of relevant news and recent developments.

The Technology Fund team has so far been able to complete the review process for 275 loan guarantee applications and give guarantees totaling CHF 130 million to 90 companies where innovative products contribute to a sustainable reduction in greenhouse gas emissions.

In 2019 alone, 31 new guarantees were issued. Due to the Technology Fund's clearly defined eligibility criteria, some applicants were not offered a guarantee this year, despite their innovative approaches, because the marketability and sales opportunities of their innovations did not meet the criteria, or due to concerns about the company's creditworthiness.

Since the Technology Fund is anchored in the CO2 Act, it will again be able to provide loan guarantees of up to CHF 3 million per company in the coming year. We are therefore looking forward to a successful 2020 filled with many promising and sustainable innovations.

We hope that you finish the year on a high note and wish you much success with your projects in 2020!

Best regards,

Simone Riedel Riley Head of Technology Fund Management Agency

Current portfolio of 81 companies with a loan guarantee volume of more than CHF 123 million

The guarantee committee has approved several new guarantees over the past few weeks. We are pleased to announce the following new additions to our portfolio: 9T Labs AG, Gamaya SA, Perspective Robotics AG (Fotokite), Vatorex AG. **Overview of all 81 companies in the Technology Fund portfolio...**

Susanne Seitz joins the Technology Fund guarantee committee

We are pleased to welcome Susanne Seitz as a new member of the Technology Fund guarantee committee. Susanne is Executive Vice President EMEA and member of the Group Executive Management of Landis+Gyr (LAND.SW), one of the world's leading providers of energy management solutions. Within this role, she is responsible for ensuring the company's sustained growth and market leadership in the EMEA business region. Before that, she spent 15 years in various management positions at Siemens Building Technologies. Susanne will be a very valuable and welcome addition to the Technology Fund's guarantee committee. Overview of the guarantee committee and its seven technology and finance experts...

Event tip "SRI/ESG/Cleantech investment – where is the impact?" in Zurich on January 14, 2020

Impact investing is a growing trend worldwide. This new investment approach is driven increasingly by investors looking to combine the impact of ESG with financial returns. But what are the implications and how can we enhance them in the coming years? Euronext stock exchange and Climate-KIC will answer this question at Technopark Zurich on January 14, 2020, at 4:30 pm. The event will consist of a panel discussion with five or six specialists, followed by a pitching session with pioneering companies. The day will finish with drinks and networking in the early evening. **Register today...**



Event tip "Technology and innovation support: what funding sources are available?" on January 30, 2020, in Rotkreuz (Event held in German)

zentralschweiz innovativ and Innovationspark Zentralschweiz will host another exciting, high quality event in Rotkreuz on the evening of January 30, 2020. During the opening presentation and subsequent "World Café", participants will discover various important sources of funding for their companies and also have the opportunity to talk to representatives of the funding organizations in person. **Register online...**

Find out more about the Technology Fund in our next webinar

The next Technology Fund information event will take the form of a webinar on Tuesday, January 21, 2020, from 11:00 am to 11:45 am. We will briefly introduce the Technology Fund and then answer questions from participants in an open Q&A session. **Click here to register...**

Is the Technology Fund right for your project?

With our <u>five-minute online check</u>, discover in just a few clicks whether your company and innovation project meet the Technology Fund's criteria. Alternatively, watch our <u>three-minute explainer video</u> for a presentation of the most important information.

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And some internal news to finish: we are currently seeking a Credit/Financial Analyst (FTE 80%-100%) for our Technology Fund team

We are seeking a qualified and experienced person to join us as a Credit/Financial Analyst (FTE 80%-100%) for our Technology Fund Management Agency at Emerald Technology Ventures in the attractive location of Zurich-Seefeld. **Find out more about this exciting role...**