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Kind regards,

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WHAT'S NEW IN SWITZERLAND

Award Ceremony for the Swiss Physical Society (SPS) Awards, the Prix Schläfli Physics 2025 and the Charles Haenni Award

On September 4, 2025, the SPS, SCNAT, Société Académique Vaudoise, and the Physics Department of EPFL held a ceremony to honor outstanding early-career scientists who received the SPS Prizes, the [SCNAT Schläfli Award](#), and the Charles Haenni Award of the Société Académique Vaudoise.



The event, held in the SV Building at EPFL, brought together all the talented young laureates and offered an opportunity to learn more about the lives and work of Alexander Friedrich Schläfli and Charles Haenni.

While SPS had already presented the awards during its Annual Meeting in Vienna from August 18–22, it was decided to also celebrate the achievements of the seven SPS prizewinners on campus. These prizes are supported by generous contributions from leading industries across the country.

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CERN management structure 2026-2030

During its September session, the [CERN Council approved the management structure for the period 2026–2030](#). The new organisational framework and composition of the management team follow the appointment of [Mark Thomson](#) as the next Director-General. He will succeed Fabiola Gianotti on January 1, 2026.

International Year of Quantum Science and Technology

The United Nations General Assembly has declared 2025 the **International Year of Quantum Science and Technology (IYQ)**. This global initiative is the perfect opportunity to celebrate 100 years of quantum



mechanics and to promote STEM subjects among the public.

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Switzerland is marking the IQY with a variety of events. [The Geneva Quantum Center](#) is hosting a series of engaging activities and initiatives, with the next event scheduled for **October 18** at the **SwissTech Convention Center** at EPFL. [The University of Zurich](#), which played a key role in the early development of quantum mechanics, has also launched a dedicated website listing all related activities.

The Swiss Physical Society (SPS) unites persons interested in physics from university, schools, research, development and industry. The SPS promotes the scientific exchange of ideas in Switzerland and with its international environment.

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