



Regulation of the national selection and Festival 2020

1. Participants

The Festival Science on Stage Switzerland 2020 (later called "Festival 2020") is open to one or two persons provided that at least one is a teacher or a teacher-in-training¹. If the second partner is neither a teacher nor a teacher-in-training, he/she should prove his/her experience in teaching or an experience, which could be considered as equivalent by the jury.

2. Domains of experiments

Projects can be accepted in biology, chemistry, physics, mathematics and informatics, from primary to high school.

3. Qualification procedures

Interested participants must send their application to sons@scnat.ch. After an evaluation by the jury, the 30 best projects will be selected and their authors invited to participate to the selection 2020.

4. Application forms

Application forms are found in French, German, Italian or English on the website of Science on Stage Switzerland (https://naturalsciences.ch/organisations/science_stage_switzerland/festivals/111777-swiss-festival-2020). They can be filled up in French, German, Italian or English. The following types of projects will be accepted: intra- or extra-muros lessons, experiments, workshops ideas, conferences or shows. The text of the project must contain a maximum of 1,200 characters (spaces included) and no pictures. Optional: a film of 3 minutes **in English** could be submitted to present and promote the project.

5. Hazards

All experiments must follow the safety rules for Swiss schools. In case of doubt, participants may contact the committee. Flames bigger than those in Bunsen burners are prohibited. Experiments producing sound or odours should be made sparingly, in respectful consideration for the other participants.

6. Evaluation of projects

In accordance to the regulations of the European festival, the ideal Science on Stage project:

- promotes students interest in science,
- refers to everyday life,
- has a sustainable effect,

¹ For primary to high/secondary school



- is feasible in everyday school life and be financed with reasonable expenses,
 - promotes inquiry-based learning.
- Furthermore, projects will be evaluated by the Swiss jury according to their quality and originality.

7. Festival 2020 (in Technorama in Winterthur)

The Festival 2020 will take place as follows:

- The projects will be presented in the Fair ("market") in the setting of the selection 2020. They will be evaluated by the Swiss jury.
- The 15 best projects will be selected and their authors will be invited to display their project on stage, having **5 to 7 minutes** to present it preferably in English. The candidates could however present their project in French, German or Italian but the support of the presentation (PowerPoint for example) must be in English. Therefore, participants have to be ready to present their projects. All projects will be evaluated by the jury.
- The authors of the 4 best projects will be selected to participate to the Science on Stage Europe Festival. They have to be able to speak English at the European festival. In addition, they will have to create a poster (if needed, with the help of the Swiss committee).

8. Modalities of participation

The organizers of the Festival 2020 will make available the following equipment: a table, electricity, a water source (but no running water) and, upon request, a panel for a poster. The same equipment will also be available at the European festival. The participants are kindly asked to manage their own trash removal. Material costs are borne by the participants.

9. Finances

The invited persons taking part individually or in tandem will participate in the Swiss festival for free. They can also charge for their travel costs (2nd class train ticket) to Winterthur. Without a receipt, the reimbursement is done on the basis of half fare 2nd class ticket. An equivalent of a train ticket (half fare 2nd class) will be reimburse in the case of a travel by car.

For the applicants coming from Romandie and Ticino, Science on Stage Switzerland will book and pay for a room in Winterthur for the night before the festival if needed.

The 4 best pairs or those individually participating will not have to pay for their participation to the European festival in 2022 (travel and hotel).

10. Schedule/deadlines

Selection 2020 registration opens	01.03.2020
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Selection 2020 registration closes	31.10.2020
Festival 2020 in Winterthur	14.11.2020
European Festival in Prague, Czech Republic	24-27.03.2022

This regulation has been approved by the NSC of Science on Stage Switzerland in November 2019.