

ANNUAL REPORT 2015



In its eighth reporting year, private persons as well as institutions have established eight new foundations under the umbrella of Fondation des Fondateurs. Three foundations have fulfilled their purpose and have been closed therefore; one was transferred into an independent foundation. The grant-making activities of the 30 foundations (endowment funds) and the general endowment fund amount to a total of 8.0 mio. Swiss Francs (previous year 6.8 mio.). Thus, Fondation des Fondateurs has consolidated its position as one of the large Swiss grant-making foundations, and it will strive for further growth.

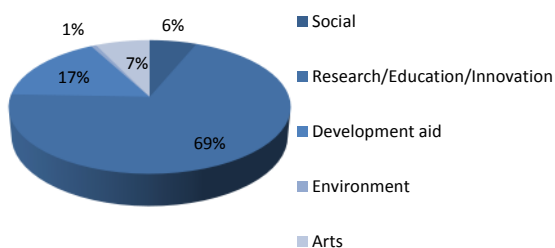
LEADING UMBRELLA FOUNDATION OF SWITZERLAND

Fondation des Fondateurs is managed with declared philanthropy competence, works independently from financial service providers, cultivates exemplary governance and has a neutral attitude with respect to politics, ideology and religion. It is supervised by the Swiss Federal Foundation Authorities, is a member of SwissFoundations and adheres to the Swiss Foundation Code.

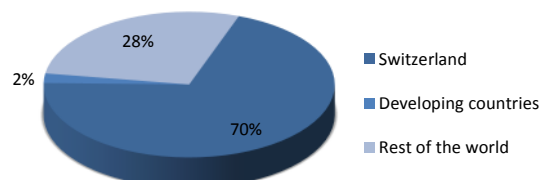
GRANT-MAKING ACTIVITIES

Fondation des Fondateurs consequently aligns its activities towards the intentions of the individual founders. It is up to them to decide to which extent information on supported projects and its beneficiaries should be made public. Some founders publish their own annual report and website; others prefer to remain in the background. Therefore, the following charts do not distinguish between the individual foundations but by thematic and geographic areas.

THEMATIC AREAS IN SWISS FRANCS



GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS IN SWISS FRANCS



THE INDIVIDUAL FOUNDATIONS

Since its inception in 2007 Fondation des Fondateurs is growing constantly. In the reporting period eight new foundations have been established, three have fulfilled their purpose and have been closed; one was transferred into an independent foundation. For further information please refer to www.fondateurs.ch.

2007/2008

- Allgemeine Fonds
- Lori und Karl Lutz-Fonds
- Fonds Venture Kick

2009

- Olive Grove Fund

2010

- NLE-Fonds für nachhaltige lokale Energieversorgung
- Stiftung Zürcher Spendenparlament

2011

- Fonds Vodou Kulturzentrum und Museum
- Social Entrepreneurship Initiative & Foundation seif
- Stiftung MINTeducation
- Stiftung molecuisine

2012

- Boe.PS Foundation
- VDE-Stiftung (Value Driven Entrepreneurship)
- Stiftung Schulen lernen von Schulen

2013

- ROSA Foundation
- Stiftung StrategieDialog21
- Stiftung Oumou Dilly
- Stiftung FUP - Freiheit. Unternehmertum. Publizistik.
- MvS-Stiftung
- Mary Bendet Foundation

2014

- KUMA Foundation
- Terra21 Foundation
- Sapocycle
- Funders for Fair Trade
- Start-up Monitor
- GCCA Foundation
- Intermusica Foundation

2015

- Swiss Friends of the IPO
- Stiftung Hirschen-Ensemble
- Startupticker
- AutonomisHome Foundation
- electronic-art.Foundation
- Engaresero Foundation
- Kick Foundation
- Char Foundation

Transferred into an independent foundation

- Stiftung Oumou Dilly

Closed by the end of 2015

- Intermusica Foundation
- Stiftung MINTeducation
- VDE-Stiftung

INDEPENDENT, INDIVIDUAL, PROFESSIONAL, COST-EFFICIENT

Fondation des Fondateurs is a charitable umbrella foundation. Established in 2007 by the couple Lori und Karl Lutz, it offers founders the possibility to pursue their personal grant-making goals in an individual, professional and cost-efficient manner. Fondation des Fondateurs acts independently from banks and other financial service providers. It has a neutral position with respect to politics, ideology and religion.

As a charitable, tax-exempt foundation Fondation des Fondateurs is monitored by the Swiss Federal Foundation Supervisory Authority. It complies with the accounting guidelines of Swiss GAAP FER and adheres to the Swiss Foundation Code. Being a member of SwissFoundations, the association of the grant-making foundations in Switzerland, Fondation des Fondateurs offers all the foundations under its umbrella access to the network and the events of this association.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES – OFFICE – LEGAL SEAT

Since its inception the Board of Trustees is composed of three declared foundation experts: Dr Thomas Sprecher (President); Dr Philipp Egger (Vice President); Evelyn S. Braun.

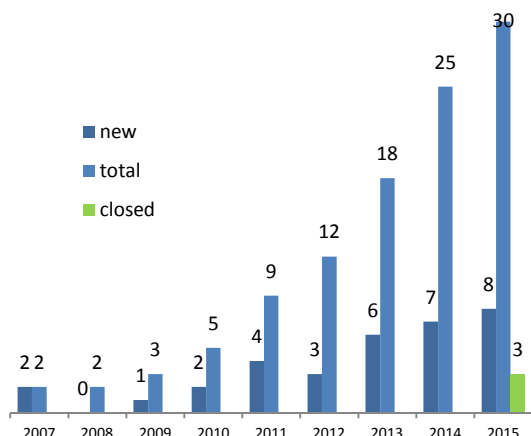
In the reporting period there has been some change in the management: End of March Dr Sandra von Salis has left FdF, and Evelyn S. Braun took over ad interim. In November 2015, Dr Matthias von Orelli joined FdF as managing director. He is assisted by Barbara Watko.

In October 2015, the office moved back to the «House of the Foundations» located at Kirchgasse 42 in Zurich.

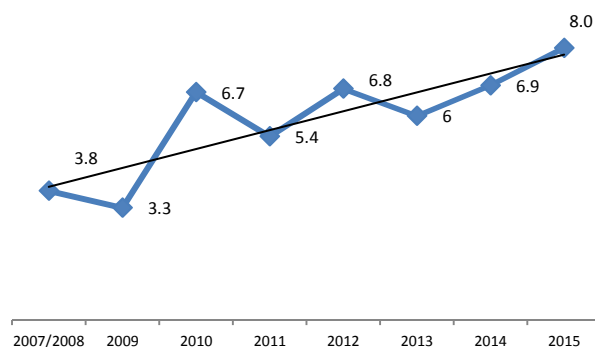
YOUR FOUNDATION WITHIN THE FOUNDATION

Since its establishment in 2007 Fondation des Fondateurs has grown constantly. From 2007 to 2015 the cumulated grant-making amount sums up to roughly 46 mio. Swiss Francs. The following charts show the development of the number of the individual foundations as well as the grant-making volume per year.

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUAL FOUNDATIONS



GRANT-MAKING VOLUME IN MIO. SWISS FRANCS



NEW CORPORATE DESIGN

In the reporting year FdF has redesigned its website as well as its logo. The website provides both, information about FdF and its services as well as details about the individual foundations under its umbrella. In addition, www.fondateurs.ch offers various information about the foundation sector, such as publications, a glossary and FAQs. FdF strives to continuously expand this area.



EXAMPLES OF FOUNDATIONS AND THEIR DEVELOPMENT UNDER THE ROOF OF FDF

Fonds Venture Kick – founded in 2007

Venture Kick, an initiative of Venture Kick Foundation, supports since 2007 prospective entrepreneurs from Swiss universities not only with seed money of up to 130'000 Swiss Francs, but also with intensive coaching and access to a unique network of experts, entrepreneurs and investors. This program allows university students at a very early stage to build their project on an economically promising fundament. Since the launch of the support program 403 start-ups have received more than 16 million Swiss Francs in seed-money, they have created 3'434 jobs and triggered investments in the amount of one billion Swiss Francs. www.venturekick.ch

Olive Grove Fund – founded in 2009

The Olive Grove Fund supports primarily students from Asia and enables their university studies in the USA, Canada, Great Britain, China, India, Malaysia, Germany or Switzerland. The students are free to select the university and the faculty of their choice. Since 2009 up to 50 students have been supported in their education.

SapoCycle – founded in 2014

In 2015 Fondation SapoCycle celebrated its go-live, which could be realized thanks to the dedicated engagement of the core team and the network partners. In order to provide an insight into the soap recycling process the team produced a video, which can be found under www.sapocycle.org.

StrategieDialog21 – founded in 2013

Since two years, StrategieDialog21 offers an independent platform for discussions about the themes of Economy & Technology, Education & Culture as well as Society & Individual. The debates take place either offline in events like the Wunsch-Schloss, or also on-line, e.g. with the discussions at #sd21onair, which can be viewed live on YouTube. The corresponding links can be found on www.strategiedialog21.ch.

Stiftung Hirschen-Ensemble – founded in 2015

The project "Hirschen Oberstammheim – historic ensemble with a future" makes progress. The first part of the construction work has been successfully concluded. What cannot be seen from the outside, is hidden inside or better in the basement of the "Hirschen": the operationally important adjustment of the restaurant kitchen has been finished. Impressions can be found on www.hirschen-ensemble.ch.

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