Background
The Credit Suisse Foundation is part of the company’s corporate citizenship program and addresses social issues around the world, particularly in the fields of education and microfinance. The Credit Suisse Foundation Jubilee Fund has a clear focus on Switzerland and concentrates on implementing education and training projects in line with the global strategy. To this end, the Fund maintains partnerships with charitable organizations operating nationally, supports regional projects, and awards prizes for achievements in education and culture.

Experience and Education: Aims
The Jubilee Fund is committed to initiatives in the area of education and aims to promote a knowledge-sharing culture. Children, young people and adults should have the opportunity to acquire new experiences, learn new skills, and discover new talents.

Our definition of the concept of education and training goes beyond the traditional understanding of conventional ways of sharing knowledge in the classroom and focuses instead on innovation and a multi-faceted way of thinking. The Fund’s involvement varies depending on the chosen approach to knowledge sharing, the degree of depth required in addressing each topic, and the target group. However, education is the primary focus of all of the projects that receive support. Grants are awarded only to not-for-profit organizations which are politically and religiously unaffiliated.

Exclusion Criteria:
- Individuals (scholarships, study or course expenses etc.; support for individuals is limited to prizes for achievements in culture and science)
- Organizations that are not ZEWO certified (Please provide brief reasons if not available, cf. point 3)
- Publications, production of CDs, concerts, festivals, and similar projects
- Fundraising events
- Conferences, symposia, and similar events
- Projects with a commercial background
- Leisure activities (e.g. holiday camps, graduation ceremonies, events, etc.)
- Loans, deficit guarantees
- Operational and running costs
- Membership fees

Please note: At the latest, projects must be completed within two years of the grant being made.
The Fund’s Grants Committee usually assesses project funding applications in autumn.

Information for Applicants and Guidelines on Submitting Project Details: www.credit-suisse.com/foundation

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Credit Suisse Award for Best Teaching
In collaboration with Swiss universities, technical colleges, and universities of applied sciences, the Credit Suisse Award for Best Teaching was launched in 2006. The award’s aim is to promote quality teaching at tertiary level, and to strengthen Switzerland as a science and research location. Currently, 16 institutions award the prize.

ETH Zurich Foundation
The purpose of the ETH Zurich Foundation is to promote teaching and research at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH) Zurich. Through its activities, the Foundation helps maintain and build on the ETH Zurich’s leading position among international universities. The Foundation is supported in these endeavors by the Jubilee Fund.

Forum Bildung Association
The Forum Bildung Association champions the long-term development of the Swiss education system by providing information, connecting stakeholders, implementing its own initiatives, and taking positions on education policy questions. The Schweizer Schulpreis (Swiss School Prize) project also aims to promote the discussion of forward-looking educational and school topics, for example by publicizing the pedagogical innovations of schools.

Credit Suisse Young Artist Award
The Lucerne Festival, the Vienna Philharmonic, the “Gesellschaft der Musikfreunde” in Vienna and the Credit Suisse Foundation have organized a joint award with CHF 75,000 in prize money. The aim is to provide highly talented young soloists with the means and opportunities to perform, thus enabling them to make the decisive breakthrough to a major international career. These musicians will already be on their way to such a career on the basis of their level of training and previous performances. The Credit Suisse Young Artist Award is awarded every two years, alternating with the Prix Credit Suisse Jeunes Solistes.

Prix Credit Suisse Jeunes Solistes
The Lucerne Festival, the Conference of the Swiss Institutions for Higher Education in Music and the Credit Suisse Foundation have jointly established the Prix Credit Suisse Jeunes Solistes with CHF 25,000 in prize money and the aim of promoting highly talented musicians in Switzerland. The Credit Suisse Foundation provides the financial backing while the Lucerne Festival and the members of the Conference of Swiss Institutions for Higher Education in Music contribute their expertise and organize venues for the performances.

Swiss Youth Music Competition
Since 1975, the Swiss Youth Music Competition has been getting involved with the finding of talents and promoting all-round development. Since 2004, the Fund has been the main partner of the Swiss Youth Music Competition, which continues to enjoy increasing popularity. The Entrada rounds of the competition are held at different locations throughout Switzerland. The final also takes place at a different venue each year.