**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

With this form the applicants express their interest in working on a project within the framework of the SBB – EPFL Research Initiative.

Applicants are either employed by EPFL or/and enrolled in a study program at the time of the submission of the expression of interest.

Each expression of interest is carefully reviewed and evaluated by the Research Committee during a dedicated meeting (one meeting per year, members equally represent both parties).

In case of a favourable evaluation and positive decision the next steps are:

* Elaboration of the final project application (max. 6 pages) and roadmap (timeline) of the project.
* Final decision by the Research Committee.
* Project contract with the SBB – EPFL Research Initiative represented through EPFL (administration).
* Depending on the length of the project intermediate and in all cases final presentation at the end of the project to the Research Committee.
* Share publication of the report.

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| **Brief overview of the expression of interest** |
| **Applicant** | *Surname, first name, Academic title/position in the institution, institution* |
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| **Project Title**  | *Project title with link to the published research questions* |
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| **Major Problem addressed** | *Short description of the addressed research problem (4 lines max.)*  |
| **Major Outcome expected** | *Short description of the expected research outcome (4 lines max.)*  |
| **Project Volume in CHF**  | *Estimated overall budget of a maximum cost of CHF 120’000 (20% overhead included).* |
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| **Timeframe / Duration**  | *Start: Month/Year and End: Month/Year and Duration:*  |
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| **Applicant’s own outline of the project** |
| (More detailed explanations,3 pages max.) |

# Central issues regarding the project (point of departure)

*Please outline some thoughts about the point of departure for the potential project.*

# Research questions

*Please indicate main research question with sub-questions. Refer the research question to one of the research topics on the list of research topics.*

# Planned research design and method.

# Project leaders and Team

* *Introduction of project leaders from EPFL briefly.*
* *If possible, include/introduce project leaders from SBB briefly.*
* *Add a short CV of the project leader from EPFL.*

# Budget

*Approximate budget of maximum CHF 120’000 (considering overhead included).*

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| **Budget**  | **Estimation in CHF**  |
| Material costs |  |
| Personnel costs |  |
| Other costs  |  |
| Total  |  |
| Overhead 20%  |  |
| **Total** |  |

**Submission of the document:**

Please follow the instructions on the website.