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# List of calls for innovative projects and ideas: have a look and apply!

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Given its mandate to promote and spread innovation to companies, Agire Foundation periodically publishes calls for applications for innovative projects and ideas addressed to start-ups and SMEs.

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# MassChallenge Switzerland

When from 29.06.2021 to 28.10.2021

Deadline application 08.03.2021 Link

In addition to the early-stage startup accelerator, which accepts startups from any industry, MassChallenge Switzerland has expanded its offerings to accelerate innovation in the food sector with an industry-specific track for early-stage startups as part of the 2021 accelerator. This also includes a challenge program matching later-stage startups with corporate partners in the food industry.

### Virtual Venture DAY

When 24.03.2021

Deadline application 10.03.2021 Link

On 24th of March Startup INVEST will run a Virtual Venture DAY again. The event will be live-streamed from Zurich (via Hopin). Around 200 virtual participants including investors, corporates and supporters will be expected. The Swiss selected startups will pitch live from the location still to be defined in Zurich.

#### Industry

Fintech / Insurance Tech Life Science (IT, Diagnostics, Data) Medtech (devices) Energy / Cleantech ICT / Software & Data Engineering

# Venture competition

#### Deadline application 24.03.2021 Link

The competition is co-organized by ETH Zurich, McKinsey & Company, Knecht Holding, Innosuisse and EPFL. You can win up to CHF150'000 if you are the Grand Prize winner.

Industry Fintech / Insurance Tech Agritech / Foodtech ICT / Software & Data Engineering Electronic & Mechanical Engineering Consumer Products & Services

#### Swiss Startup Group (SSUG) – Rookie Funds I

This pre-seed fund invests in the best teams and supports them on their way into the next phase, at which point the SSUG Flagship Fund I will take over. This efficient funding system helps to ensure the success of the most promising startups.

# Startup INVEST – Startup days 2021: Pitching Battle

When 27.05.2021

Deadline application 16.04.2021 Link

On May 27th Startup INVEST will run the legendary Pitching Battle at the Startup DAYS. Due to the current pandemic situation the Pre-Selection for the Pitching Battle will be virtual. It is mandatory that you are actively looking for funding.

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