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INVITATION

SUEID 2022

SWISS-US ENERGY INNOVATION DAYS

BERN, SWITZERLAND

AUGUST 14-16, 2022



SUEID 2022: **RETURNING TO SWITZERLAND**

WHAT, WHERE, AND WHEN

The Swiss-US Energy Innovation Days (SUEID) is gearing up for its 9th annual edition. This in-person conference will take place in Bern, Switzerland, from August 14-16, 2022.

The Swiss-US Energy Innovation Days 2022 are organized by the Swiss Federal Office of Energy, Swissnex, and many more partners.



WHY ATTEND

SUEID provides a collaborative networking forum where attendees can exchange ideas and explore energy innovations, strategies, market developments, and policies from both sides of the Atlantic.

The event features inspiring panels, site visits, and interactive presentations from industry, authorities, and startups. Whether you are looking to expand your network, explore potential for innovation, or learn more about doing business in Switzerland and the US, this event is a great opportunity to do it.

ABOUT

SUEID is an initiative launched in 2014 by the Swiss Federal Office of Energy (SFOE) and Swissnex in Boston and New York, which aims at connecting Switzerland, North America, and the world in education, research, and innovation. Previous editions of SUEID have been held in locations in both Switzerland and the US, including Boston, San Francisco, New York, Austin, Zurich, and Geneva.



SUEID 2022: **ACCELERATING THE TRANSITION**

All over the world, including in the US and Switzerland, programs are underway or being rolled out to accelerate the energy transition. As we move forward, however, we also encounter new challenges and conflicting interests. How much do we value factors such as biodiversity, landscape conservation, social equity, financial affordability, or the return on investment demands of the economy in transforming the energy system? These are just some of the many questions that arise when talking about the energy transition. Above all, this is not only about rebuilding our systems to be stronger and greener – it's also about accelerating the pace at which we effect these changes. Here, too, failure is not an option.

THE 9TH EDITION OF THE SWISS-US ENERGY INNOVATION DAYS – SUEID 2022 – WILL RETURN IN-PERSON TO BERN, SWITZERLAND, FROM SUNDAY, AUGUST 14 THROUGH TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2022.

SUEID 2022 will help clarify the relationship of the US and Switzerland with the energy transition – spoiler alert: it's complicated – and illuminate which technologies could be bridges to or even central elements of the new energy world. In this context, we will also venture into the contributions and intersection of regulation, policy, society, and economy.

Getting involved with SUEID 2022 means joining a transatlantic community of energy experts, while benefitting from lively short presentations, in-depth panels, networking, and exciting site visits in and around Bern, the federal capital of Switzerland, with its uniquely preserved old city, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.



SUEID 2020: INFORMATION

PROGRAM

The preliminary program of SUEID 2022 will be available soon. The focus topics will be:

- Security of supply? Well, maybe.
- What are the key factors to accelerate the energy transition towards net-zero?
- Tailor-made solutions for each country or global collaboration?
- Are we trading reliability for volatility?
- Are consumers willing and able to pay for all of this?

Presentations will cover the whole, colorful array of technologies, concepts and policies for the energy transition: digital technologies, building and planning technologies, PV, storage technologies, smart concepts and technologies, e-mobility, carbon neutral financing, purchasing and operations, sustainability concepts, new approaches in research, how to accelerate the political and corporate agendas, etc.

REGISTRATION

Please register by June 30, 2022, by sending an e-mail to marianne.zuend@bfe.admin.ch.

Registration requires a description of your profile in English, including a portrait photo and your organization's logo. We will notify you as soon as possible if your registration has been accepted.

TRAVEL & ACCOMMODATION

Attendees are responsible for their own travel expenses and must make their own flight and hotel reservations. We have reserved hotel contingents in Bern at special rates: See next page. [Link](#) to other hotels in Bern.

FEES

Registration and participation (upon receiving a personal invitation) is free, including lunches and dinners during the official events. However, a confirmed registration is needed.

TRAVEL GRANTS

The Swiss Federal Office of Energy provides travel grants for US participants. A flat-rate contribution of CHF 2,500 will be provided to cover part of the travel and lodging expenses (reimbursement after the conference). In order to apply for a travel grant, please send an e-mail with a description of your field of interest. We will inform you as soon as possible whether you are eligible for a travel grant.

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SUEID 2020: SPECIAL RATE HOTEL CONTINGENTS IN BERN

HOTEL KREUZ

Zeughausgasse 41, 3011 Bern
www.kreuzbern.ch

Booking with code **SUEID22**.

Reduced rates per night:

Single room 124.00 CHF + 5.30 CHF Citytax
Single room 150.00 CHF + 5.30 CHF Citytax
Double rooms (for single use):
143.00 CHF + 5.30 CHF Citytax
169.00 CHF + 5.30 CHF Citytax

Rate includes breakfast, Bern-Ticket (free use of public transport throughout the city of Bern), service and WiFi.

HOTEL GOLDENER SCHLÜSSEL

Rathausgasse 72, 3011 Bern
www.goldener-schluessel-bern.ch

Booking with code **SUEID22**.

Reduced rates per night:

Single room 145.00 CHF + 5.30 CHF Citytax
Double room 165.00 CHF + 5.30 CHF Citytax

Rate includes breakfast, Bern-Ticket (free use of public transport throughout the city of Bern), service and WiFi.

HOTEL LA PERGOLA

Belpstrasse 43, 3007 Bern
www.hotel-lapergola.ch

Booking with Promo-code **SUEID22**.

Reduced rates per night:

Basic Single room 143.00 CHF + 5.30 CHF Citytax
Business room 162.00 CHF + 5.30 CHF Citytax

Rate includes breakfast, Bern-Ticket (free use of public transport throughout the city of Bern), service and WiFi.

[Useful information about Bern: Getting Here & Getting Around - Bern Welcome](#)
[Link to other hotels in Bern](#)



Preliminary Program* SUEID 2022

***More details will be available soon; the final program is expected by the end of June 2022**

Sunday, August 14, 2022	Monday, August 15, 2022	Tuesday, August 16, 2022
<p>During the day: Individual arrival of US and Swiss participants in Bern, Check into hotel</p> <p>18:00 Official WELCOME RECEPTION for participants in Bern Location: www.hotelbern.ch</p>	<p>09:00-12:30 MORNING CONFERENCE Location: www.casinobern.ch</p> <p><i>The state of our energy transition: It's complicated</i> How can we accelerate the transition, what does greener and more sustainable actually mean, and where are the red lines of social, economic, and political viability?</p> <p><i>Short goat bell presentations and panels</i></p> <p>12:30 NETWORKING LUNCH</p> <p>14:00-16:30 AFTERNOON CONFERENCE Location: www.casinobern.ch</p> <p><i>Pick your battles, don't let them pick you</i> The net-zero goal lurks around the corner, so we must act faster. But what are the most urgent areas of action? Solar development, digitalization, green hydrogen, energy storage, grid infrastructure, workforce, investments, public funding?</p> <p><i>Short goat bell presentations and panels</i></p> <p>18:30 NETWORKING RECEPTION with START-UP PITCH-SESSION and DINNER Location: www.schwellenmaetteli.ch</p>	<p>08:00 Departure to SITE VISITS Locations: to be determined</p> <p>12:30 NETWORKING LUNCH with short panel "<i>A goal without a plan is just a wish</i>" Location: to be determined</p> <p>14:00 Departure to SITE VISITS</p> <p>16:00 Bus transfer back to BERN</p> <p>17:30 CLOSING PANEL Location: www.casinobern.ch</p> <p><i>Failure is not an option</i> <i>Conclusions and recommendations for policymakers, industry, and research</i></p> <p>18:30 FAREWELL RECEPTION AND DINNER Location: www.casinobern.ch</p>



SUEID 2020: CONFERENCE VENUES

HOTEL BERN

Zeughausgasse 9, 3011 Bern
www.hotelbern.ch

The historical and monumental Art Nouveau façade of the Hotel Bern displays the self-confident ambitions of its builders. More than 100 years after its construction, the Hotel Bern combines the classic style of the 19th century with modernity. It is rare that such a central house has such a quiet location.

SUEID 2022 will meet in the HOTEL BERN on Sunday, August 14th 2022 at 18h00 for the Welcome Reception.

CASINO

Casinoplatz 1, 3011 Bern
www.casinobern.ch

Since its opening in 1909, the Casino has been the cultural and social meeting place in the heart of Bern. For over one hundred years it has radiated a unique atmosphere and grandeur. The late baroque classicist building was reopened in 2019 after a renovation that took care to follow the original designs from 1909 as closely as possible.

SUEID 2022 will meet in the CASINO on Monday, August 15th 2022 throughout the day and on Tuesday, August 16th 2022 for the closing Conference and the Farewell Dinner.

SCHWELLENMÄTTELI

Dalmaziquai 11, 3005 Bern
www.schwellenmaetteli.ch

The Schwellenmätteli came into the ownership of the City of Bern from Johann von Bubenberg in 1360. At the time, the «Schweller» included the bed of the Aare, the right to set up weirs, land in the Matte district, as well as peripheral works and business. The taverns were built at the time of the Zähringen family. Mainly fishermen and rafters were fed and housed in the «Gresis Hus» and the «Hofstatt». The construction of the large Aare weir, which still regulates the river waters today, dates back to 1900.

SUEID 2022 will meet in the SCHWELLENMÄTTELI on Monday evening, August 15th 2022 at 18h30 for the Startup Pitch Session and for the Conference Dinner.