

# Revision of RIPA: Changes for Innovation projects

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# AGENDA

1. Context: Why these changes?
2. Main changes starting from 2023
3. Q&A via slido

# INNOSUISSE PROMOTES SCIENCE-BASED INNOVATIONS

These are innovations that are jointly developed by:



**Businesses and  
other innovative  
organisations**

such as NGOs, associations,  
public or private  
organisations



**Research  
institutes**

such as universities of applied  
sciences, Swiss Federal  
Institutes of Technology,  
universities, technology  
centres

# REVISED RIPA LAW: CHANGES FOR NATIONAL INNOVATION PROJECTS FROM JANUARY 2023

# FOR NATIONAL INNOVATION PROJECTS «50-50 RULE» IS OUTDATED

- Equal distribution between implementation and research partners («50-50 rule») in national innovation projects not flexible enough
- Applicants needed to adapt their project setup to fulfil funding rules
- No flexibility for special measures under the ordinary funding rules (e.g. impulse programme «Swiss Innovation Power» in 2021-2022)



**NEED FOR  
RIPA  
REVISION**

# SOLUTION: PROVIDE MORE FLEXIBILITY

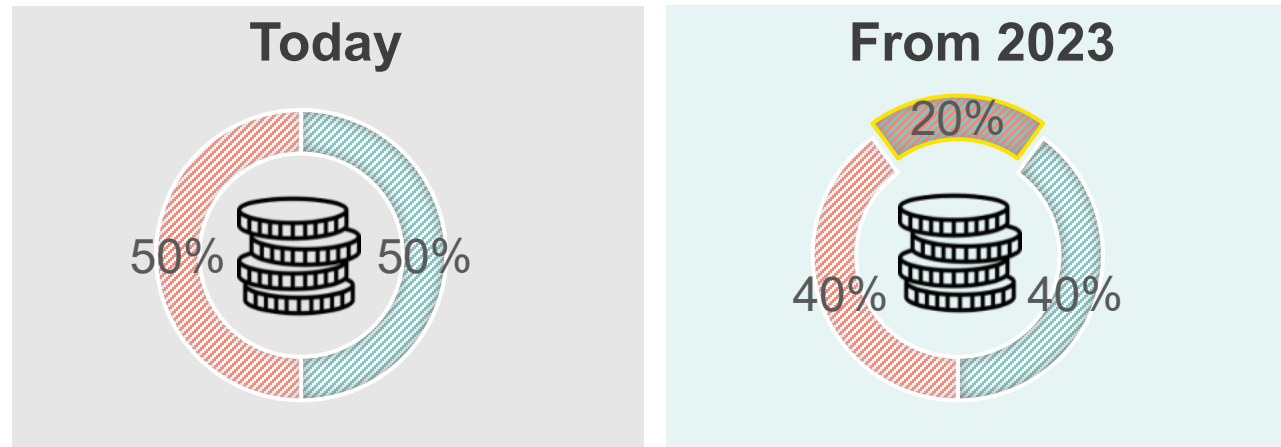
1. Allow for more flexibility in the distribution of contributions
2. Simplify how project budgets are calculated
3. Provide a more flexible permanent legal base for special measures (such as impulse programmes)



# WHAT WILL CHANGE IN 2023

## 1. CONTRIBUTIONS TO PROJECT COSTS

The project partners will jointly define the repartition of the contributions



Funded by Innosuisse



Contribution by the implementation partner incl. cash contribution



Flexible bandwidth: by Innosuisse and/or implementation partner

## QUESTIONS:

**More flexibility in the distribution of Innosuisse contributions - will Innosuisse be able to fund the implementation partner directly?**

**How is the contribution percentage between the implementation partner and Innosuisse fixed?**

**What happens if the contribution is outside of this range of 40% to 60%?**

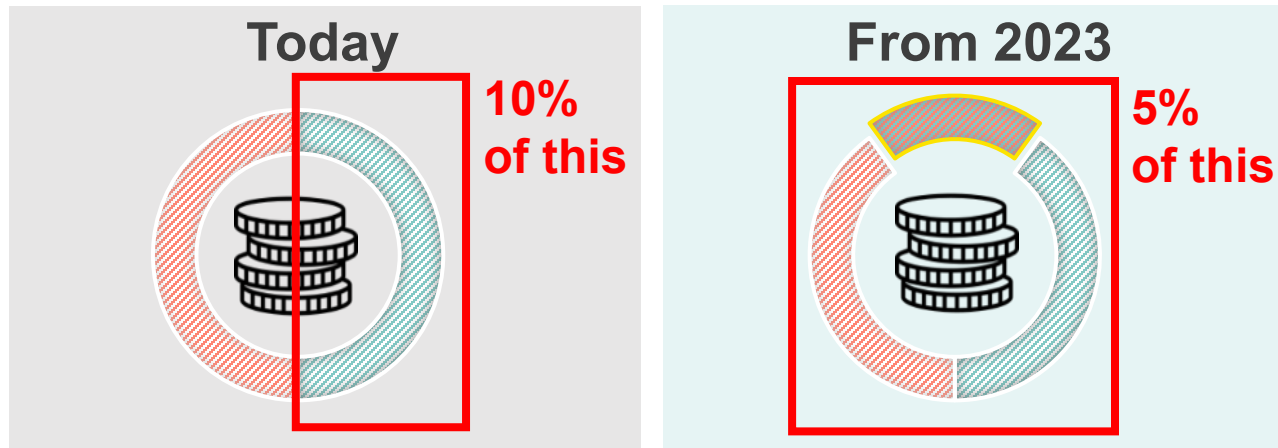
**Do these changes mean that Innosuisse will fund fewer projects?**




**Will these changes lead to more work in the online application process?**

**If applicants want to apply in November 2022, what should they do?**

# WHAT WILL CHANGE IN 2023

## 2. CASH CONTRIBUTION



-  Funded by Innosuisse
-  Contribution by the implementation partner incl. cash contribution
-  Flexible bandwidth: by Innosuisse and/or implementation partner

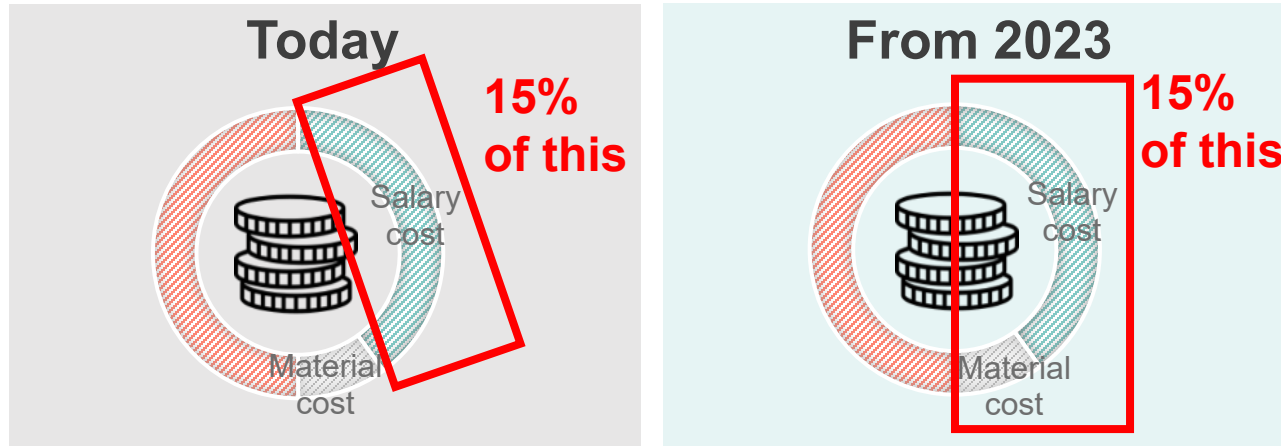
# QUESTIONS:

**Will there be any financial or other benefit?**

**Can you give a concrete example?**

# WHAT WILL CHANGE IN 2023

## 3. OVERHEAD CONTRIBUTION



Funded by Innosuisse



Contribution by the implementation partner incl. cash contribution

# QUESTIONS:

**And what will be the benefit?**

**Can you give a concrete example?**

# WHAT WILL CHANGE IN 2023

## 4. CONTRIBUTION BY IMPLEMENTATION PARTNER

- Implementation partner will no longer need to use the research partner's salary rates
- Instead, the maximum permitted rates (by law) will be used as default
- Implementation partner can overwrite these values if needed

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# REVISED ACT ON THE PROMOTION OF RESEARCH AND INNOVATION (RIPA)

## IMPORTANT CHANGES FOR FUNDING OFFERS

1. Changes: national innovation projects

2. Changes: international innovation projects

3. New offer: start-up innovation projects

4. Changes Start-up Coaching: Initial Coaching before Core Coaching; Initial Coaching up to 1 year; application as organisation and not only as founders

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