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National contact point for the safe handling of nanomaterials, regulation and knowledge transfer



Mission of the contact point

The independent, national contact point combines all scientific and regulatory expertise available in Switzerland on the safe handling of synthetic nanomaterials – from production and application to disposal – and conveys high-quality information to companies (established companies, SMEs and start-ups) in an efficient way. The aim is to accelerate the transfer from invention to innovation, so that Swiss companies remain competitive in the international environment. The contact point is based on a broad network of proven experts and ensures a qualified and independent transfer of knowledge. It anticipates topics for regular workshops, training and events for information and experience exchanges in the area of nano-innovation, nano-safety, changes to Swiss and international regulation requirements, etc.

The purpose of the contact point is to provide prompt and personalised contacts with experts who:

- can convey information on nanomaterials, their safe handling and regulatory provisions
- offer expert opinions, services, testing and analyses
- collaborate on research and development cooperations
- carry out training and workshops on relevant and current topics

At the contact point, companies will find competent partners who are able to help directly or point them in the right direction for available knowledge resources and other relevant agencies to contact.

The contact point is supported by a Steering Board of experts in the field of nano research, production, use and disposal. It carries strategic responsibility, ensures quality at operational level and promotes sustainable innovation.



