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**Swiss Committee on Polar and High Altitude Research
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Call for SWISS SCAR Working Groups members

The Swiss Committee on Polar and High Altitude Research (SKPH) is glad to announce a call for Swiss SCAR Working groups members:

The Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research (SCAR), as an inter-disciplinary committee of the International Council for Science (ICSU), is charged with initiating, developing and coordinating high quality international scientific research in the Antarctic region. In addition to carrying out its primary scientific role, SCAR also provides scientific advice to the Antarctic Treaty and other organizations. SCAR subsequently represents the science in political meetings under the Antarctic treaty. SCAR itself is operating with standing scientific groups on Physical Sciences, Life Sciences and GeoSciences. Details about SCAR are available under www.scar.org

Switzerland is working towards a better representation within international Antarctic bodies and therefore seeks a better representation of its scientific activities in the SCAR working groups. The SKPH therefore is looking for scientists willing to join those working groups and providing actively valuable scientific input.

With funding from the State Secretariat for Education, Research and Innovation SERI, the SKPH is reaching out to the Swiss research community, looking for scientists willing to participate in the effort to bring Swiss science know-how into SCAR.

The SKPH is offering travel grants to selected working group members of up to 3000.- CHF per year to attend an international SCAR working group meeting / SCAR conference per year. The SKPH is expecting a commitment of selected working group members for 2014, 2015 and 2016.

If you are interested in contributing to SCAR activities with your expertise, you are invited to submit a short application, including:

- Letter of motivation, indicating the working group you want to join (max. 1 page, pdf)
- A short CV with a description of your research interest (max. 1 page, pdf)
- List of selected publications (max. 1 page, pdf)

Please send your application by email to christoph.kull@scnat.ch not later than May 31st. The SKPH will review the applications and communicate the outcome by June 15th.