

Call for applications: "Frankfurter Seilschaften 2023"

Invitation for Swiss emerging authors identifying as FINTA to participate in the Frankfurter Buchmesse 2023

Following the symposium "Frauen* im Literaturbetrieb" (women in literature) and the successful premiere of the empowerment programme "Frankfurter Seilschaften" (Frankfurt connections) in the past year, Pro Helvetia is - in cooperation with the association "A*dS Autorinnen und Autoren der Schweiz" - again inviting six up-and-coming Swiss authors to take part in the Frankfurt Book Fair.

The aim is to get familiar with book fair procedures, to network and connect with international colleagues and other professionals in the literature business, and to forge and strengthen connections among the participants themselves.

On their three-day visit to the fair (**Wednesday, 18 to Friday, 20 October**), the participants will be accompanied by experienced literary practitioners.

Who?

The call for applications "Frankfurter Seilschaften 2023" is aimed at emerging authors in their first five years after completing their professional training or after presenting their first publication (no age limit).

The offer addresses professionals who identify as FINTA.

Eligible candidates must be Swiss citizens or permanent residents of Switzerland and be regularly present in the cultural scene in Switzerland. All languages and literary genres are admissible. The meetings and activities at the Frankfurter Buchmesse will be held in German or English.

What?

Pro Helvetia assumes the total costs of the project. Travel and hotel expenses as well as admissions to the fair and daily allowances will be covered for participants.

How?

Please send your application (in DE, FR, IT or EN) to Sina Chiavi (she/her), schiavi@prohelvetia.ch, with the following information included (**in a single PDF file**):

- Brief CV (max. 1 A4 page)
- Motivation letter (max. 1000 characters)
- Publications and activities in the literature sector to date

The selection of the participants will be made by Pro Helvetia (literature division) by 20 September 2023, taking into account linguistic and regional diversity.

By when?

Deadline for applications: 13 September 2023