

Swiss National ORD Prize Award Ceremony

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Award Ceremony Swiss National ORD Prize 2025

YVES FLÜCKIGER

President of the Swiss Academies of Arts and Sciences
and Member of the ORD Strategy Council (StraCo)

Prof. Dr. Yves Flückiger, President of the Swiss Academies of Arts and Sciences since January 2024, is a distinguished academic with expertise in labour economics, industrial organisation, and public finances. He holds a degree in Economics and Sociology and a doctorate in Political Economy from the University of Geneva. Flückiger has an extensive background in research and teaching, having been a research fellow and Harvard and Oxford, and served in various academic positions including Vice-Rector and later Rector of the University of Geneva. He was President of swissuniversities from 2020 to 2023 and President of the League of European Research Universities (LERU) until July 2023.

TORSTEN SCHWEDE

President of the SNSF Research Council
Chair of the National ORD Strategy Council (StraCo)

Prof. Dr. Torsten Schwede, a renowned bioinformatician, has presided the Research Council of the Swiss National Science Foundation since 2025. He is Professor of Structural Bioinformatics at the University of Basel and a research group leader at the SIB Swiss Institute of Bioinformatics, where he has been teaching and conducting research on computational structural biology since 2001. From 2018 to 2024, Professor Schwede served as Vice President of Research at the University of Basel, where he was responsible for support for early-career researchers, internationalisation, and digital research infrastructures.

Keynote Speaker

BRIGITTE VÉZINA

Director of Policy and Open Culture, Creative Commons (CC)

Brigitte Vézina is the Director of Policy, Open Culture and GLAM at Creative Commons. She is an expert on international negotiations for the intellectual property (IP) protection of traditional cultural expressions and IP issues around cultural appropriation in the fashion industry. Before CC, she worked for a decade as a legal officer at WIPO and then ran her own consultancy, advising Europeana, SPARC Europe and others on copyright matters. Brigitte is a fellow at the Canadian think tank Centre for International Governance Innovation. She holds a bachelor's degree in law from the Université de Montréal and a master's in law from Georgetown University. She has been a member of the Bar of Quebec since 2003. She is currently located in the Netherlands.

Jury Chairman

CLEMENS LANGE

Physicist, Paul Scherrer Institut

Dr. Clemens Lange is an experimental particle physicist working at Paul Scherrer Institute and a member of the CMS collaboration at the CERN Large Hadron Collider (LHC). Since 2022 he is also a member of the ORD Sounding Board Researchers and since 2025 Jury Chairman of the Swiss National ORD-Prize. He has since many years been involved in the open research data efforts in the high-energy physics community from where he contributes his experience to the Sounding Board.

Moderation

ASTRID TOMCZAK-PLEWKA

Astrid Tomczak-Plewka is a science editor at the Swiss Academies of Arts and Sciences, as well as a freelance journalist. She is a member of the editorial board of the research magazine Horizons. As a freelancer, she writes texts, gives workshops and hosts panels for various institutions, federal authorities, newspapers and professional associations. She studied German literature, modern history, and political science in Vienna and Bern, before starting her professional career as a journalist and editor at a newspaper in Bern.

Programme

17.00	Door opening	
17.30	Opening Moderation ASTRID TOMCZAK-PLEWKA	18.25 Speech CLEMENS LANGE (CHAIR OF ORD PRIZE JURY, CERN/PSI)
17.35	Welcome Address 1. YVES FLÜCKIGER (PRESIDENT a+)	18.35 Laudations & Awarding of Prizes by Jury members
17.40	Keynote speech BRIGITTE VÉZINA (DIRECTOR OF POLICY AND OPEN CULTURE, CREATIVE COMMONS) „Heritage in the digital environment - Threats, opportunities and the future of „open“ in the age of AI“	18.45 Winner Lightning Talks
		18.55 Closing Moderation ASTRID TOMCZAK-PLEWKA
		19.00 Apéro riche
18.20	Welcome Address 2 TORSTEN SCHWEDE (PRESIDENT OF THE SNSF RESEARCH COUNCIL)	20.00 End of event

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