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Future lab for universities and industry

Société Mont-Soleil intends to further develop the unique potential of its laboratory and experimental site above Saint-Imier (Canton of Bern), which has been operating successfully for nearly 30 years. For this purpose, it is launching a project of the future that aims to promote this site in contact with universities and industry. It relies on the one hand on the long-standing cooperation with developers, manufacturers and users from all over the world. On the other hand, it is based on the highly successful doctoral school, which was conducted last year for the first time with the Federal Institute of Technology in Lausanne (EPFL) at the Mont-Soleil laboratory and experimental site.

Like no other location, Mont-Soleil is ideal for the practical handling of new energy technologies and their integration into a reliable, future-oriented power supply. Many years of experience in the use of renewable energies, especially solar, wind and water power provide excellent conditions for this. No other region in Switzerland has almost complete coverage (on an annual balance) of electricity demand from renewables, as it is the case in the Mont-Soleil region in the network of La Goule SA.

With its project of the future, Société Mont-Soleil intends to promote the existing Mont-Soleil laboratory and experimental site for technological development and advanced technical training. For example, new forms of cooperation shall be explored in contact with well-known national and international institutes and industrial companies, especially in the areas of production, control, and storage technologies. In addition, the company endeavors to strengthen Mont-Soleil in collaboration with interested universities, at first with the Federal Institute of Technology in Lausanne (EPFL) and the Bern University of Applied Sciences (BFH), as an internationally recognized place for the advanced specialist training of energy experts.

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