

PHD SUMMER SCHOOL MONT-SOLEIL

9TH - 14TH AUGUST 2021

FIELD-BASED INSIGHTS INTO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF RENEWABLE ENERGIES

MONDAY 9.08 CLIMATE AND ENVIRONMENTAL PHYSICS

- 13:00 Check-in at University of Bern, Climate and Environmental Physics (see map on page 5)
- 14:00 **Introduction**  
Dr. Martin Pfisterer, Co-chairman / President Société Mont-Soleil  
Prof. hon. Alfred Rufer, Co-chairman / EPFL, Lausanne
- 14:30 **Climate Change and the 1.5°C Goal of the Paris Agreement**  
Prof. Thomas Stocker, University of Bern
- 16:00 **Visit to the Laboratories of Climate and Environmental Physics**
- 17:30 Transfer to Mont-Soleil
- 18:30 Hotel check-in, Auberge de l'Assesseur Mont-Soleil
- 19:30 Welcome dinner by the city of Saint-Imier

TUESDAY 10.08 PHOTOVOLTAICS AND HYDROPOWER

- 08:00 **Opening, Energy Region Mont-Soleil**  
Prof. hon. Alfred Rufer, Co-chairman / EPFL, Lausanne  
Dr. Martin Pfisterer, Co-chairman / President Société Mont-Soleil
- 08:30 **Mont-Soleil PV Plant – Layout, Long-term Measurements, Life Cycle Analysis**  
Dr. Rudolf Minder, Société Mont-Soleil  
Thomas Schott, Bern Univ. Applied Sciences, Burgdorf
- 10:00 Coffee break
- 10:15 **Mont-Soleil PV Plant – Visit and Exercises**  
Dr. Rudolf Minder, Société Mont-Soleil  
Thomas Schott, Bern Univ. Applied Sciences, Burgdorf
- 11:30 **PlanetSolar, the First around the World Tour with a Solar Boat**  
Christian Ochsenbein, technical engineer and member of the boat crew
- 12:30 Lunch
- 14:00 **Strategies for Hydropower Deployment**  
Aline Coulot, Swiss Small Hydro Association
- 15:00 **Hydropower deployment in the field**  
Andreas Stettler, Head of Hydroelectric Power Plants, BKW
- 16:00 **Excursion and visit to a hydropower plant at the Doubs river**  
countrystyle dinner with Cédric Zbinden, CEO La Goule SA, Saint-Imier
- 20:00 Return to the hotel



WEDNESDAY 11.08 WIND ENERGY

- 08:00 Transfer to Viewpoint  
**JUVENT Wind Power Plant, Landscape and public acceptance, excursion**  
Dr. Martin Pfisterer, Co-chairman / founding President of JUVENT SA
- 09:30 Return to Mont-Soleil
- 10:00 **Wind Turbine Design 1995 - 2020**  
Dr. Jakob Vollenweider, former general manager of JUVENT SA
- 11:00 **Assessing Wind Resources in Complex Terrain**  
Sara Koller, Meteotest, Bern
- 12:00 Lunch
- 13:15 **Multiscale Modeling Framework for Wind Power Forecasting**  
Dr. Jiannong Fang, Wind Engineering and Renewable Energy Lab, EPFL
- 14:30 **Advanced techniques to facilitate the development and operation of wind power plants**  
Dr. Ndaona Chokani, Laboratory for Energy Conversion, ETH Zurich
- 15:30 **Visit to JUVENT windfarm**
- 18:00 Return to the hotel

THURSDAY 12.08 ENERGY STORAGE AND ADVANCED PV TECHNOLOGIES

- 07:45 Transfer to the BFH Energy Storage Research Centre Biel/Bienne
- 08:45 **Performance (SoC) and Life Cycle (SoH) Modeling and BMS of Li-Ion Batteries**  
Prof. Dr. Andrea Vezzini / Dr. Priscilla Caliendo, Bern University of Applied Sciences, Biel/Bienne
- 09:45 Coffee break
- 10:00 **Advanced Battery Technologies with Application to High Energy Density Systems**  
Dr. Andreas Hutter, PV-Center, CSEM, Neuchâtel
- 11:00 **Energy Storage and Efficiency – The Theory of the Ragone Representation**  
Prof. hon. Alfred Rufer, Co-chairman / EPFL, Lausanne
- 11:45 **Visit to the BFH Energy Storage Research Laboratories** and Lunch (2 groups)
- 13:00 Departure for EPFL/CSEM Neuchâtel
- 13:30 Welcome to the EPFL – PV-Lab and CSEM – PV-Center
- 14:00 **Design of High Efficiency Solar Cells**  
Dr. Mathieu Boccard, EPFL, Neuchâtel
- 15:00 **Visit of the Photovoltaic Laboratories**
- 16:00 **Solar energy, between technology and art**  
Dr. Laure-Emmanuelle Perret, EPFL /Compáz, Neuchâtel
- 17:00 Departure to Saint-Imier
- 18:00 **Energy Autonomous Concept for Cheese Making**  
Cédric Spielhofer, CEO Fromageries Spielhofer, Saint-Imier
- 18:30 Cheese fondue dinner
- 20:00 Return to the hotel

FRIDAY. 13.08 ELECTRICAL GRID INTEGRATION

- 08:00 **Introduction**  
Prof. hon. Alfred Rufer, Co-chairman / EPFL, Lausanne
- 08:15 **Planning and Control of Active Power Networks**  
Prof. Mario Paolone, Distributed Electric Systems Lab, EPFL, Lausanne
- 09:00 **Classical and Advanced Power Electronic Solutions for the Network Integration**  
Prof. Drazen Dujic, Power Electronics Laboratory, EPFL, Lausanne
- 09:45 Coffee break
- 10:00 **Power Quality in Distribution Grids Related to RES and Power Electronics**  
Prof. Michael Höckel, Power Systems Lab, Biel/Bienne  
**Outdoor Exercises with Power Quality Measurements and PV Drone inspection**
- 11:15 **SPECIAL PROGRAM**  
**The value of in field education, round table**  
PhD students in discussion with:  
Beat Guggisberg, Head of global engineering, ABB Switzerland Transportation,  
Mario Paolone (EPFL), Andrea Vezzini (BFH), Martin Pfisterer (BKW)
- 13:00 Lunch
- 15:00 Transfer to Grindelwald
- 17:00 **Glacier Retreat, District Heating, Plant Visit (with aperitif)**  
Dr. Martin Pfisterer, Co-chairman / founding President Holzwärme Grindelwald AG
- 18:30 Hotel check-in, followed by alpine dinner  
**Diploma ceremony**, Prof. hon. Alfred Rufer, Co-chairman / EPFL, Lausanne

SATURDAY 14.08 HIGH ALTITUDE RESEARCH STATION JUNGFRAUJOCH 3500 M A.S.L.

- 08:00 Departure from Grindelwald (Grund) to Jungfrauoch / Top of Europe
- 09:30 **High Altitude Research Station Climate change, long-term high-altitude CO2 measurements**  
Prof. Markus Leuenberger, Director HFSJG, University of Berne  
**Visit to and guided tour through the High-Altitude Research Labs**
- 12:00 **End of Summer School at Jungfrauoch / Top of Europe**

## PROCESS OF APPLICATION AND DECISION

### Publication of the final program with application form

[www.bfh.ch/de/aktuell/veranstaltungen/summer-school-mont-soleil](http://www.bfh.ch/de/aktuell/veranstaltungen/summer-school-mont-soleil) and  
[www.societe-mont-soleil.ch](http://www.societe-mont-soleil.ch)

until Mai 30, 2021

#### Application

PhD and Master students are requested to send in their application forms to the head of administration: [christian.ochsenbein@bfh.ch](mailto:christian.ochsenbein@bfh.ch)

### Payment / final decision of participation

After registration you will receive a confirmation within a week and an invoice, which must be paid within 20 days.

Students are accepted on a first come, first served basis. Places are limited.

## ADMINISTRATION, ADDRESS AND FEES

### Address

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### Fees

Academic part PhD and Master students	CHF 500.-
PhD students EPFL and Master students BFH	CHF 0.-
Others	CHF 900.-

Convenience for all participants incl. events, transports, meals & water/coffee, visit Grindelwald/Jungfraujoch	CHF 700.-
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### Lodging

Auberge Mont-Soleil Chez l'Assesseur  
CH-2610 Mont-Soleil  
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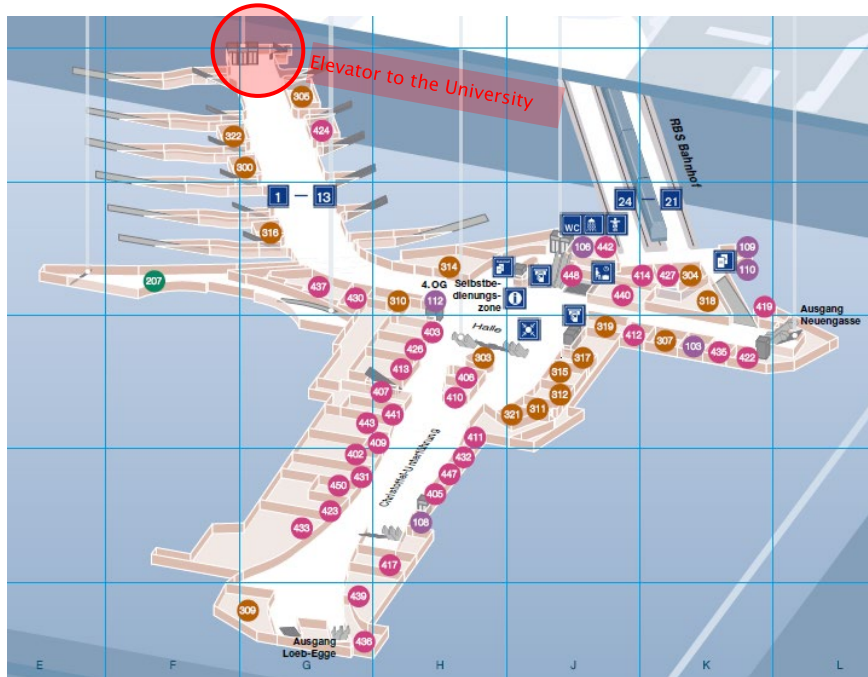
the School Hotel offers student rates min. fee for bed & breakfast, shared rooms upgrade to twin or single bedroom Price on request	CHF 45.00 pP/night
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**Address:** Building “Exakte Wissenschaften”, University of Bern, Sidlerstrasse 5, 3012 Bern  
Room B005 – follow the signs

Bern can easily be reached by public transport. Both international airports in Zurich and Geneva have their own train stations.

The Swiss Federal Railways provide an easy to use journey planner for the public transport in Switzerland (see [www.sbb.ch/en/timetable.html](http://www.sbb.ch/en/timetable.html)).

In Bern main station there is an elevator to the University of Bern (circled red in the map below)



Having reached the top floor, you can walk to the check-in in the building ExWi (see map below)

