

# Training Institutions on the Swiss Financial Centre

The present document lists a certain number of training institutions in Switzerland that offer education and learning programmes to bankers and that might be of interest to AFBS Members. The document merely contains links as the offerings may change over time and the final assessment can only be made upon the specific situation of the individual person. There has been no quality assessment and the list is for mere information purposes.

## University Level

### Swiss Finance Institute SFI

The SFI constitutes a network of university institutes across Switzerland which are conducting research and offer training in finance. It promotes research activity in Finance and offers transposition of research know-how into daily business through special events gathering professionals and researchers / professors. The formats are promoted as Knowledge Exchange Seminars and as Masterclasses and are advertised on the website. **Info:** [www.sfi.ch](http://www.sfi.ch)

### Universität Zürich / Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich

The Department of Banking and Finance offers a Bachelor and two Master programmes, a MA in Banking and Finance and an MSc in Quantitative Finance. The latter is offered in collaboration with the ETH Zürich. **Info:** <https://www.bf.uzh.ch/en.html>

The Europa Institut focuses on European law where it conducts research and coordinates various types of seminars, lectures and public conferences. It offers advisory, educational and information on European law questions. **Info:** [www.eiz.uzh.ch](http://www.eiz.uzh.ch)

Federal Institute of Polytechnics: Master Quantitative Finance: [LINK](#)

### Université de Genève

The Geneva Finance Research Institute offers programmes on finance and wealth management at master, doctorate, and PhD levels. **Info:** <https://www.unige.ch/gfri/education>

Geneva Institute for Wealth Management is related to the University of Geneva and offers graduate education leading to the Doctorate of Advanced Professional Studies in Applied Finance: **Info:** [LINK](#)

The Centre pour la Formation Continue et à Distance offers a CAS on Compliance in Financial Services: **Info:** [LINK](#)

### Université de Lausanne

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Faculté de HEC offers various programmes of training and continued education in banking and finance, such as a master course on international taxation, a certificate on finance&accounting, and several short programmes.

Info: [LINK](#)

## Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale Lausanne EPFL

Master of Science in Financial Engineering: [LINK](#)

## Université de Neuchâtel

Master of Science in Finance: [LINK](#)

## Universität Bern

The Institut für Bankrecht offers training and coordinates the Internationaler Bankrechtstag. Info: [LINK](#)

## Universität St. Gallen

The university offers Master and PhD programmes and several seminars of continued education. Info: [LINK](#)

## Schools of Applied Science

Several schools of Applied Sciences offer master programmes in banking and finance:

- Zürich School of Applied Sciences: School of Management and Law: MSc Banking and Finance: [LINK](#)
- Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts: Master of Science in Banking and Finance: [DE EN](#)
- Haute Ecole de Gestion Genève: CAS Blockchain and Finance: [LINK](#) ; CAS Sustainable Finance: [LINK](#)
- Scuola Universitaria Professionale della Svizzera Italiana: [www.supsi.ch](http://www.supsi.ch)

## Other Training Institutions

### Kalaidos Fachhochschule Schweiz

The institute offers basic and continued training in various areas of banking and finance. Programmes are available full-time and part-time for persons in work life. The website allows selection of programmes according to personal special interests. Info: [www.kalaidos-fh.ch](http://www.kalaidos-fh.ch)

### SIB Schweizerisches Institut für Betriebsökonomie

The SIB offers basic training in business administration and marketing management. It also offers postgraduate programmes in business management, financial planning, digitalisation, and other areas. Info: [www.sib.ch](http://www.sib.ch)

### AKAD

AKAD offers programmes for continued education in various fields. They include financial planning, accounting & controlling, human resources, finance & encashment. Trainings are on-site and on-line. Info: [www.akad.ch](http://www.akad.ch).

## FINEO eLearning

Fineo eLearning offers courses in the banking and finance sector with practical specialist knowledge in an individual, modern and interactive way. They focus on the learning needs of financial service providers and also offer eCertifications. The modular structure guarantees motivating stage victories. **Info:** [www.fineo.ch](http://www.fineo.ch)

## KV Business School Zürich

The school offers continued education in various fields, including banking and finance and insurance business. The training programmes give access to certification. In addition to continued education programmes which expand over several months, the school also offers seminars of one or few days on specific topics. **Info:** [www.kv-business-school.ch](http://www.kv-business-school.ch)

## AZEK

AZEK offers education in various fields relating to banking and finance. Generally, programmes target professionals with at least a few years' experience. AZEK also offers training for specialisation in ESG matters as well as preparation for certification exams according FinSA. **Info:** [www.azek.ch](http://www.azek.ch).

## Continued Education

### SBA Swiss Bankers' Association: Life-Long Learning

Skills required from employees are changing; evolution is ever quicker and people need to be flexible to adapt and to maintain their market value. Therefore, Life-Long Learning is an important concept which the SBA is promoting. **Info:** [DE FR IT EN](#)

### Fachschule für Bankwirtschaft

Since its foundation in 1984, the School of Banking (FSB) has been committed to the targeted development and practice-oriented imparting of banking knowledge. FSB AG's diverse range of continuing education courses is aimed at employees, managers and board members of financial institutions and industry-related service providers. **Info:** [www.fsbz.ch](http://www.fsbz.ch)

### ISFB Institut Supérieur de Formation Bancaire

The institute offers continued education for bankers at different levels of their career. It gives particular focus on preparing candidates for national and international certifications and conducts such examinations for Swiss certifications such as the SAQ. It furthermore offers personal career accompaniment and organises conferences and networking seminars on various topics. **Info:** [www.isfb.ch](http://www.isfb.ch)

### Centro di Studi Bancari Villa Negroni

CSB is the training institution for the Ticino financial centre. It offers a broad range of continued certification and continued education programmes for candidates with professional experience as well as basic training. **Info:** [www.csvn.ca](http://www.csvn.ca)

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## IfFP Institut für Finanzplanung

The institute offers training for specialists in the various fields relating to finance: wealth management, insurance promotion, pension planning, anti-money laundering, compliance, and financial services provision FinSA. **Info:** [www.iffp-kurse.ch](http://www.iffp-kurse.ch)

## IFAGE Institut de Formation Professionnelle pour Adultes à Genève

IFAGE offers various training programmes for continued education in the fields of banking and finance. The offer covers asset management, lending, compliance, as well as regulation in the fields of digitalisation and others. Duration of the training programmes varies from a few days to several months; the *chèque annuel de formation* of the canton of Geneva is accepted for payment of some courses. **Info:** [www.ifage.ch](http://www.ifage.ch)

## IFP Institut de Formation Professionnelle

IFP offers training in the fields of accounting and bookkeeping, human resources, and insurance. Teachers are professionals from the respective sectors. The training targets persons who intend to re-position themselves in the working career; it is modular and adapts to individual situations. **Info:** [www.ifp-formation.ch](http://www.ifp-formation.ch)

## VisionCompliance SA

The Geneva-based training institution offers on-site and on-line training on various topics relating to compliance in banks. The courses are taught by professionals who share their every-day knowledge and experience in the matter. The institute offers various programmes leading to recognised certification, also for the SAQ certified client adviser. **Info:** [www.visioncompliance.ch](http://www.visioncompliance.ch)

## SIX Group

A practice-oriented one day training course on domestic and international compliance management, evaluation of impact in case of non-compliance, measures to assure efficient implementation of up-to-date rules and regulation. On-site training in Zürich. **Info:** Compliance Switzerland: [LINK](#)

## Fund Academy

The institution offers on-site training in the area of collective investment schemes, fund management and administration. Training is by professionals who share experience and insight from daily business life. Trainings are available in German, some programmes also in French. Training is on-site in Zürich and Geneva respectively. **Info:** [www.fund-academy.ch](http://www.fund-academy.ch)

## ALMA Impact AG in Lugano or online

ALMA Impact AG coordinates training courses in various fields. For banking and finance it offers, among others, courses for board members and a specific training programme in the sector of commodity trade finance, which is organised in conjunction with the Lugano Commodity Trading Association. **Info:** [LINK](#)

## Specific Training Programmes

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## AZEK

The training is focused on financial analysis and portfolio management, wealth management, financial market operations, financial data science and ESG. The programmes combine theoretical knowledge with practical focus. Training is mainly on-site but also available on-line. AZEK also offers a training programme for SAQ certification.

**Info:** [www.azek.ch](http://www.azek.ch)

## CFA Society Switzerland

The CFA Society is the Swiss branch of the global CFA institute which offers certification for financial analysis. Beyond the standard course, the institute offers various training programmes for personal and professional development in the financial industry, including the SAQ certification programmes for client advisers. Members benefit from special benefits such as networking events and continued education. **Info:**

[www.cfasocietyswitzerland.org](http://www.cfasocietyswitzerland.org)

## CAIA

The CAIA programme offers training for persons wanting to develop their knowledge in the realm of alternative investments. Certification is available after two examinations and CAIA membership. **Info:** [www.caia.org](http://www.caia.org)

## SuisseNégoce

The Swiss association of commodity trading offers training programmes for professionals. Beyond certificates and basic introductory programmes it also offers academic programmes such as a Master in Commodity Trade Finance, a DAS and a CAS. **Info:** [www.suissenegoce.ch/training](http://www.suissenegoce.ch/training)

## Structured Products

The Swiss Structured Products Association SSPA offers training on the topic through the EvrLearn platform. The programmes cover the various aspects of structured products, their setup, use, risks and opportunities. They vary in duration from a day to several months and offer certification or are at the level of CAS. **Info:** [LINK](#)

## IT & Cyber Security

### National Cyber Security Centre NCSC

NCSC offers a list of training programmes on cyber security: **Info:** [DE FR IT EN](#)

### University Level Training

- ETH Zürich CAS in Cyber Security: one-semester course, on-site on Fridays: [LINK](#)
- EPF Lausanne Master in Cyber Security, in collaboration with ETH Zürich: [LINK](#)

### University of Applied Sciences Level

- ZHAW CAS Applied IT Security: [DE](#)

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- HSLU Hochschule Luzern: CAS Cyber Risk Management: 5 month programme, on-site: [DE](#)
- HSO Wirtschaftsschule Schweiz: Cyber Security Specialist with Federal Certificate: [LINK](#)
- Hochschule Luzern HSLU: Core ICT Infrastructure & Resilience: [LINK](#)

## Other Training Institutions

- X-CELL training programmes in cyber security: [LINK](#)
- Digicomp offers a broad range of short training programmes in cyber security: [LINK](#)
- WISS Schulen für Wirtschaft Informatik Immobilien AG, a Kalaidos group company: Cyber Security Specialist with Federal Certificate: [DE](#)
- Infosec offers training on-line and on-site as well as in-house programmes on cyber security and IT matters: [www.infosec.ch/ausbildung](http://www.infosec.ch/ausbildung)
- Swiss Cyber Institute offers the one-year programme leading to the Federal Diploma of Cyber Security Specialist. It is organising conferences and networking events: [www.swisscyberinstitute.com](http://www.swisscyberinstitute.com)

## FinTech

Swiss Fintech Institute offers advice in selecting adequate training programmes and provides itself tailor-made in-house training: <https://www.swissfintech.org/fintechtourstraining>

### University Level

- Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale Lausanne: Fintech: disrupting finance: five day immersion program: [LINK](#)
- Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale Lausanne: Fintech: leveraging new technologies in your organisation: [LINK](#)
- Universität Zürich: CAS Fintech: [LINK](#)
- Universität St. Gallen: Certificate in Financial Technologies: [LINK](#)
- Università della Svizzera Italiana: Master in Financial Technology and Computing: [LINK](#)

## Compliance Management

### University Level

- Université de Genève: CAS Compliance in Financial Services: [LINK](#)
- Universität St. Gallen: Compliance Management, Prozesse und Organisation: [LINK](#)
- Universität Zürich: Program CAS Compliance Management: [LINK](#)
- Université de Fribourg: CAS in Compliance Management: [LINK](#)

### Applied Sciences Level

- Fachhochschule Nordwestschweiz FHNW: Specialisation Compliance Management: [LINK](#)
- Hochschule Luzern HSLI: Risk and Compliance Management: [LINK](#)
- Zürcher Hochschule für Angewandte Wissenschaften ZHAW: CAS Compliance Officer: [LINK](#)

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- Vision Compliance: The Swiss Banking & Finance Compliance Training System: [www.visioncompliance.ch](http://www.visioncompliance.ch)
- Fintelligence Bank Compliance E-Learning: [DE FR EN](#)
- Swiss Learning Hub: Compliance Finance: [LINK](#)
- Frankfurt Business School: [LINK](#)

## ESG

### Swiss Sustainable Finance

Listing of training programmes: [LINK](#)

#### University Level Programmes

- IMD Sustainability Programmes: [LINK](#)
- Universität Zürich: MAS Sustainable Finance: [DE EN](#) and CAS Sustainable Finance: [LINK](#)
- UniSG Institut für Banken und Finanzen: Certificate Course on ESG and Sustainable Finance: [LINK](#)

#### University of Applied Sciences Level

- HEG Haute Ecole de Gestion Genève: CAS Sustainable Finance: [LINK](#)
- HSO Zertifikat ESG Professional: [LINK](#)
- HSLU Hochschule Luzern: Fachkurs Sustainable Finance: [LINK](#)
- FFHS Fernfachhochschule Schweiz: CAS Sustainable Finance: [LINK](#)
- Fachhochschule Nordwestschweiz: CAS Sustainable Finance: [LINK](#)
- ZHAW Zürcher Hochschule für Angewandte Wissenschaften: Sustainable Finance: [LINK](#)

#### Other Training Institutions

- AZEK programmes on FinSA requirements: ESG investments, ESG financing, certified ESG analyst: [LINK](#)
- CFA Institute Certificate in ESG Investing: [LINK](#) and ISFB preparatory training: [LINK](#)
- SUMAS Sustainability Management School: [www.sumas.ch](http://www.sumas.ch)
- Indigita: ESG Foundation Course: [LINK](#)
- The Corporate Governance Institute: offers a diploma, professional certificate, certificate on ESG: [LINK](#)
- ETHOS formation pour les conseils de fondation – l'investissement socialement responsable: [LINK](#)
- ISFB training on SBA ESG self-regulation: [LINK](#)
- Frankfurt Business School: [LINK](#)

## Professional Development

Professional Development including Management Skills and Life-Long Learning play an increasingly important role in maintaining attractiveness on the labour market. The SBA strongly promotes investment in the field and encourages employers and employees to take advantage of the programmes on offer.

### Loopings Studio

The Loopings Studio is dedicated to the theory and practice of new solutions. Their think tanks advance the theoretical treatment of the topic "Work 45+". The Studio is testing forward-looking concepts and formats by offering specific programmes. **Info:** [www.loopings.ch](http://www.loopings.ch)

## Swiss Leaders

The Swiss Leaders organisation offers executive level staff various support services for their professional development. Among others it offers a broad range of continued education which also contributes to improving employability and reinforce soft and social skills. **Info:** [DE FR IT EN](#)