

Excursion

Plant Genetic Resources (3502-470)

23 May 2025

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1 Objectives of excursion

- Learn about breeding programs in minor crops and landraces
- Insights into the conservation and utilization of plant genetic resources for breeding
- Networking for internships, master theses or jobs

2 General information

- Duration: 11 to 13 June 2025
- Two overnight stays in youth hostels or other group accommodation
 - 11 to 12 June: [Youth Hostel Schaan](#)
 - 11 to 13 June: [Youth Hostel Berne](#)

3 Excursion program



3.1 Wednesday, 11 June:

9:00 - 12:00 Drive to Salez, Switzerland

13:00 - 17:00 Salez and Frümsern

- [RhyTOP](#) company
 - Breeding of Schwefelbohne (Heirloom common bean variety), Introgression of bush bean for plant stability)
 - Breeding of [Rheintaler Ribelmais](#) landrace: S1 Line tests, haploids and doubled haploids trials
 - Swiss primary collection of walnuts in Frümsern
- [Agricultural Center St. Gallen, LZSG](#),
 - Grapevine collection in Frümsern
 - Potato breeding
 - Additional experiments if time permits

17:30 Drive to Schaan

3.2 Thursday, 12 June:

9:00-12:00: [Lubera](#) breeding company, Buchs

- Fruit breeding (e.g., Rubus, seedless apple)
- Breeding methods (e.g., interspecific crosses for fruits and vegetables)
- Resistance breeding (Potatoes and fruits)

12:00-13:00: Drive to Wädenswil

13:00-16:00: [Agroscope Wädenswil](#)

- Apple genetic resources and breeding
- General information on public agricultural research in Switzerland

17:00-18:00: Drive to Berne

3.3 Friday, 13 June:

9:00-12:00: DSP Delley seeds and plants Ltd, Delley, Switzerland

- Maize and wheat breeding
- Public-private cooperation in plant breeding

13:00 Return to Stuttgart

4 Costs of excursion

Please transfer **60 €** until **21 May** to the following account:

- Recipient: Universität Hohenheim
- Bank: BW-Bank Stuttgart
- IBAN: DE20 6005 0101 0002 5601 08
- BIC-Code: SOLADESTXXX
- Reference/Verwendungszweck: KST 135003000 Fonds 1000
Exkursion Schweiz

Reimbursement policy:

Please note that you can not be reimbursed if you can't participate in the excursion as we have to use the funds for the financially binding reservations.

5 Additional information

EU students: Bring your national ID card or a passport.

Non-EU students: - Bring your passport with a valid Schengen visum - Your passport needs to be valid for an additional 3 months - Bring your certificate of immatriculation!

- Food: Bring your own lunch for the first day, for the remaining days, we will decide spontaneously where to eat.
- In the evenings we will explore Vaduz, the capital of Liechtenstein, and Berne, the capital of Switzerland
- As we pass some beautiful mountain lakes (e.g., Walensee, Zürichsee, Neuenburgsee) and may have time for a break, you could bring your swimming gear if you want to go swimming.
- Bring shoes with which you are comfortable walking with. Then we can decide on some nice walks if time permits.
- Bring your own towel for the youth hostels.
- No alcohol is allowed on the car (we have had our experiences ;-))