III. Call for Proposals 2016-2017 (CLOSED)

UNIGE academic staff and graduate students (MA and upwards) may submit proposals for a residency at Swissnex SF as *University of Geneva Digital Fellows* @swissnexSF. Residencies will be 1-6 months. Stays can start from 1 January 2017 (please take into consideration administrative processing, visas etc., especially for stays over more than 90 days).

All proposals must be endorsed by a full professor (*p.o.*) if the applicant does not have this status. Proposals submitted by MA/PhD students must include a letter of endorsement from a full professor, confirming the scientific value and relevance of the project for UNIGE.

The Call for Proposals closes on **15 November 2016**. The applications, in English, must be sent by email to partenariats@uniqe.ch and must consist of:

- project description
- letter of motivation referring to the criteria mentioned below
- budget outline
- letters of endorsement (where applicable)

Proposals will be evaluated by the UNIGE Rectorate and International Affairs.

IV. Subject Areas

- I. Life sciences
 - Global and personal health
 - Biotechnology
 - Neuroscience, bioscience
 - Bioinformatics
- II. Social impact and innovation
 - o Fintech
 - Social innovation linked to digital innovation
 - o Teaching and digital innovation
 - o Responsible innovation
 - Ethical aspects of digital innovation
 - Digital Innovation and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- III. Areas of digital innovation linked to humanities
 - o Internet governance
 - o Citizen science
 - o Digital humanities

V. Criteria and deliverables

The following criteria and deliverables will be expected from the selected project:

- Criteria
 - Academic excellence
 - o Proven added value of the residency
 - o Established or planned links with high-profile institutions in the Bay Area
 - Perspectives of cooperation beyond the project
 - Where relevant, perspectives for external funding
 - o Involvement and financial participation of the home faculty/department/center
 - Impact on teaching/research at UNIGE
 - Contribution to the UNIGE digital and international strategies
 - o Joint implication of UNIGE students, junior and senior researchers is an asset
- Deliverables
 - o Events presenting the sponsored project in the Bay Area and Geneva
 - Online publication of activities and results during and after the residence
 - Full report with follow-up after the residence (template to be provided)

VI. Financial support from UNIGE Rectorate

•	Accommodation and living (max./month of stay)	CHF 2'000.—
•	Travel subsidy (one-time support)	CHF 2'000.—
•	Support for on-site activities linked to UNIGE objectives (max./stay)	CHF 3'000.—

VII. Services Offered by Swissnex SF

- Office-space/co-working
- Introduction to innovation leaders in Bay Area
- Trend scouting
- Events & exhibits
- Study tours
- Consulting and benchmarking
- Visibility