## Academia-Industry Training Brazil Camp



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# Brazil AIT Camp Rio, Brazil. 3<sup>rd</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> October 2016

Open to 10 selected researchers with the potential to transform their research into market innovations.

Applications are open until 20th of May on: www.venturelab.ch/AIT









# «Mandatory to apply for! Go ahead, work hard and have fun!»

Endre Horvath, Swoxid (AIT Grant Award Winner 2015)

The AIT programme aims to support scientists in **transforming** their high-level applied **research** into **market applications** and discovering their **entrepreneurial** potential.

By connecting scientists from top institutions in Switzerland and Brazil, the programme promotes an international network and access to one of the most promising markets and intellectual capital in applied research.

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Being selected for this programme offers researchers a unique opportunity to:

- **Develop** a better understanding of the industry environment and establish connections and first partnerships in the untapped Brazilian market.
- Access a wide network of peers, mentors and industry experts and acquire tools and skills to analyse the application of their research.
- Boost the recognition of your innovation
- **Connect** to high-level researchers in their field from Switzerland and Brazil.

- Improve market application by validating ideas with peers, experts and potential customers.
- Engage with researchers and entrepreneurs with a similar background to learn how they transformed their research into a high-quality and highpotential market product and learn about their business practices.
- Become pioneers of an Brazilian-Swiss applied researcher's community.

The AIT programme includes a 10-week acceleration and mentoring programme in collaboration with one of Brazil's foremost university-affiliated incubators. Participants are matched with business students for an optimized collaboration and knowledge transfer to facilitate entry into the Brazilian market.

## **Elegibility**

Open to 10 high-level and carefully selected researchers: Master, PhD, Postdocs and researchers of Swiss Universities, Universities of Applied Science and research institutes or centres of technological excellence with research track record working on a non-profit basis (cf. LERI Art. 15 for details) — seeking to explore the successful market application of their high-level applied research.

### **Programme**

Deadline for applications: May 20th

Selection of Swiss participants (interviews): June

#### October 2016:

1-week Camp in Rio, Brazil

#### November 2016:

4-day Camp in Switzerland

Award of the **AIT Innovation Grant** to the most promising projects to support its realization as R&D market application or start-up.

Applicants are expected to participate in both the Brazilian Camp in October 2016 and the Swiss Camp in November 2016, if selected.

Travel and accommodation expenses in Rio will be covered. The programme is free of charge and highly competitive.

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