

LEADING HOUSE FOR THE MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA RESEARCH PARTNERSHIP GRANTS 2025 – AWARDED PROJECTS

Project title	Swiss main applicant	Academic partner in the MENA region
Agile Urban Climate Spaces as adaptive Climate Response Units: Building collective knowledge across Cairo and Geneva's adaptation of urban spaces to extreme weather events	Alexandre Babak Hedjazi, UNIGE	Hebaallah Khalil, Cairo University, Egypt
Bridging the Adoption Gap: Integrating Behavioral Insights to Accelerate Climate-Smart Agriculture in Lebanon	Zenebe Uraguchi, BFH	Shadi Kamal Hamadeh, American University of Beirut, Lebanon
Swiss–Tunisian Collaborative Study on the Genetics of Familial Syndromic Intellectual Disability	Alexandre Reymond, UNIL	Ichraf Kraoua, Tunis-el Manar University, Tunisia
Cognitive Well-Being in Hybrid Classrooms: A Cross-Cultural Study across Switzerland, Morocco and Tunisia	Armand Brice Kouadio, HES-SO	Hajer Chabbouh, University of Sfax, Tunisia; and Adam Chati, Hassan II University of Casablanca, Morocco
Optimizing Hydrogen Integration in Urban Energy Systems for Hot Climates: Simulation and Control Insights from Switzerland and Morocco	Georgios Mavromatidis, EMPA	Niima Es-sakali, Green Energy Park, Morocco
Clinical Uncertainty and Resilience in Crisis Settings (CURE): A Mixed-Methods Study on Healthcare Providers' Lived Experiences in Gaza	Maria Domenica Caiata, Zufferey, SUPSI	Hassan Abu Obaid, Israa University, Palestine
Exploring the political in public health: Perspectives from practitioners and academics about the political determinants of health	Karin Nordström, ZHAW	Marguerite Sendall, Abu Dhabi University, United Arab Emirates
Inclusive AI for Cancer Care: Model Adaptation and Human–AI Integration in Low-Resource Settings	Yash Raj Shrestha, UNIL	Noha Medhat Ghatwary, Arab Academy for Science and Technology, Egypt
Tracing Deception and Misinformation Heuristics in LLMs via Causal Neural Circuit Discovery	Marc Langheinrich, USI	Christina Poepper, New York University Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates
The Role of Academia in Post-Conflict State-Building in Syria	Bilal Salaymeh, IHEID	Obada Al Tamer, Damascus University, Syria



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Designing for Trust: Embedding Moral Responsibility in Generative AI Use in the Classroom	Elena Denisova-Schmidt, HSG	Zeenath Reza Khan, University of Wollongong in Dubai, United Arab Emirates
Tunisian dust records across the MIS 5-4 transition	Christoph Schmidt, UNIL	Hajer Mejri, Institut National de Recherche et d'Analyse Physico-chimique, Tunisia
Waste Watchers: A Citizen Science Project to Reduce Food & Plastic Wastes from Households in Lebanon and Switzerland	Lena Breitenmoser, FHNW	May Massoud, American University of Beirut, Lebanon

