



SWISS PHILANTHROPY Foundation

Creating and Managing Philanthropic Funds

TRANSNATIONAL GIVING EUROPE

Transnational Giving Europe (TGE) is a partnership of leading European foundations and associations that facilitates tax-efficient cross-border giving within Europe. The TGE network enables donors, both corporations and individuals, resident in one of the participating countries, to financially support non-profit organisations in other member countries, while benefiting directly from the tax advantages provided for in the legislation of their country of residence. A due diligence is conducted on each TGE beneficiary organisation before they are accepted in the network.

TGE is currently operational for donations from and to 20 countries, namely: **Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Estonia, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Switzerland and the United Kingdom.**

In order to make a tax-deductible donation from Switzerland, the donor must be a tax resident of that country.

We inform you that only donations by bank transfer are accepted, and under certain conditions, online donations through the dedicated TGE platform. The minimal amount accepted per donation by wire transfer is CHF 500 (or its equivalent in Euros, British pounds or US dollars). This limit is removed for online donations. For donations in excess of CHF 50,000, a conversation will be arranged with Swiss Philanthropy Foundation in order to understand the donor's philanthropic project and best advise him or her.

Contribution to the TGE running costs

A contribution is deducted from each donation to cover the operational and administrative costs of the network, as well as to promote philanthropy. **A 5% contribution is taken on each donated amount. A degressive scheme is applied above EUR 100,000 or equivalent.**

This contribution helps TGE mission of “enabling philanthropy across Europe” through activities such as finding new partners in EU member states or providing free practical information regarding cross-border philanthropy in Europe.

If you wish to calculate the gross amount to be given to Swiss Philanthropy Foundation, taking into account the TGE contribution, you can make the following calculation:

“Desired amount for the beneficiary” divided by 0.95

Example: If you want the beneficiary organisation to receive exactly CHF 950, you will have to transfer 1'000 to Swiss Philanthropy Foundation (=950/0.95).



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3 steps for a donor:

1) Information

Please call or send us an e-mail to verify if the organization you would like to donate is accepted by the TGE-network. Thereafter, we kindly ask you to provide us with 2 indications:

- **your name and residence address in Switzerland**
- **the beneficiary organization of your donation and country**

2) Donation

Once this information has been gathered and approved by the organisation, we will send you the bank details of the Swiss Philanthropy Foundation's accounts for the TGE network. We have four different bank accounts for each different currencies: CHF, EUR, GBP and USD.

3) Confirmation

Once we receive your donation:

- We will send you a confirmation by e-mail in the following weeks (if you provided your e-mail address)
- The donations will be transferred to the beneficiary organization **at the end of each quarter** except in December (transferred mid-December).
- We will send you a donation certificate for your tax application in February of the year following your donation

Please do not publish and share our account information or logo on any website. Thank you very much.

For any further information or assistance you might need, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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