## SPINnovate: NCCR SPIN Innovation Seed Grant

**Introduction:** Did you have a great idea in your SPIN or related research which could be developed into a useful technology for quantum computing? Are you leading a recently (in 2023) founded startup, or are you thinking of founding a startup bringing innovations for quantum computing to the market? If so, the SPINnovate Tech Transfer Grant is tailor-made for you!

**Overview:** NCCR SPIN is looking to support technology advancements and to facilitate the transition from research breakthrough to commercial success. We are pleased to open a call for proposals providing up to CHF 75,000 non-dilutive funding per project. The grants are designed to support initiatives at NCCR SPIN institutions related to your spin-off, including activities like hiring personnel or developing prototypes. This is a special initiative during the 4<sup>th</sup> year of the NCCR and the project must be completed, and the funds spent by July 31, 2024.

**Eligibility:** Our call for proposals is open to internal applicants of NCCR SPIN who have already founded or are about to found a startup.

## **Key Dates:**

Application Deadline: November 30, 2023, decisions: December 2023 Project start: January 1, 2024, project end: July 31, 2024 (not later)

**Selection Criteria for Success:** We are seeking projects that meet the following criteria:

- Innovative Technology for Quantum Computing: We are eager to support pioneering solutions that push the boundaries of what's currently achievable.
- Market Potential: Convince us that your technology addresses real-world challenges and possesses the potential to make a significant impact on industries and society.
- **Strong Team:** Demonstrate that you have assembled the right team with the expertise and dedication needed to transform your vision into reality.
- **Founding of spin-**off: if not already founded in 2023, the spin-off should be founded before project end.

How to Apply: To initiate the application process fill out the application form. Kindly forward all completed applications via email to Carmen Pietropaolo at <a href="mailto:carmen.pietropaolo@unibas.ch">carmen.pietropaolo@unibas.ch</a>.

**Contact:** Should you have any inquiries or require additional information, do not hesitate to reach out to Carmen Pietropaolo at <u>carmen.pietropaolo@unibas.ch</u>. We are here to provide support and guidance for your innovation journey!