

# **Partner or Perish?** How Collaboration Can Sustain Healthcare Innovation in a Fragmenting World



## **Swiss HLG Conference** 10th - 12th May, 2026

Grand Hotel Suisse Majestic, Montreux

# PROGRAM

## Sunday, May 10th 2026

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- 14:00 – 16.00    Preconference workshop:  
**Future Proofing Your Deals in a More Volatile World**  
Emily Oldshue, Partner, Life Sciences M&A at Ropes & Gray  
Hannah England, Partner, Life Sciences Licensing & Collaborations at Ropes & Gray
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- 15.30 onwards    **Registration start**
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- 16.00 – 17.00    **Welcome coffee & networking**
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- 17.00 – 17.20    **Welcome and Opening of the Swiss HLG Conference 2026**  
Sarah Holland, President Swiss HLG  
Monika Baudler-Klein and Lambert Potin, Swiss HLG Conference Directors
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- 17.20 – 18.05    **Key Note**  
**Human Judgement and Decision Making**  
Sameh Abadir, Professor of Leadership and Negotiation
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- 18.05 – 18.50    **Key Note**  
**Between the Lines: Navigating the Hidden Currents of Deal-Making**  
Sophie Kornowski, Chief Executive Officer at Sophiekor Insights
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- 18.50 – 19.35    **Ice-breaker**  
Monika Baudler-Klein and Lambert Potin, Swiss HLG Conference Directors
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- 20.00 – 22.00    **Welcome dinner**  
22.00 onwards    **Networking with peers**
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## Monday, May 11th 2026

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- 07.00            Preconference easy run along the lake - voluntary (meet at reception)
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- 08.30 – 09.00    **Swiss HLG General Assembly 2026– Swiss HLG members by invitation**
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- 09.00 – 09.05    Welcome & housekeeping  
*Intro: Europe - Stengthen stability, seize opportunities*  
Nathalie Jenni, Swiss HLG Board Member
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- 09.05 – 09.35    **The “Secret Sauce” Fostering Healthcare Innovation and Delivering Patient Outcomes Worldwide**  
Markus Stämpfli, Vice President CSL Behring AG, Chair EuropaBio
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- 09.35 – 10.05    **Building a Global Biotech in Europe in Uncertain Times**  
Daniel Rankin, Senior Vice President, Head of Strategy and Corporate Development at Swedish Orphan Biovitrum AG
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10.05 – 10.35 Refreshment break & networking

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10.35 – 11.20 **Biotech Survival and Building the Future Through Strategic Alliances**  
Marc Gitzinger, Chief Executive Officer and co-founder of BioVersys  
Tim Dyer, Co-Founder, CEO/CFO, and board director of Addex Therapeutics Ltd  
Moderation: Laurence de Schoulepnikoff, Swiss HLG Board Member

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11.20 – 12.05 **European VC Perspectives: Partnering or Perish**  
Dani Bach, Investment Strategy Advisor at EPFL  
Diego Braguglia, Managing Partner VI Partners AG  
Moderation: Laurence de Schoulepnikoff, Swiss HLG Board Member

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12.05 – 13.40 Lunch & networking

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13.40 – 13.50 *Intro: The Tiger's Speed, the Crane's Vision: Forming Sustainable Alliances in Asia*  
Ragip Ziyal, Swiss HLG Board Member

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13.50 – 14.20 **Asia Rising, Europe Bridging**  
William Pay, Chief Investment & Strategy Advisor to the Chairman at HK  
WinHealth Pharma Group

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14.20 – 14.50 **Leveraging "China Speed" to Enhance Pipelines and Accelerate Inflection Points for European Biopharmas**  
Helen Chen, Global Sector Co-Head, Healthcare and Life Sciences, Head of Asia  
Healthcare, Greater China Managing Partner at L.E.K. Consulting

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14.50 – 15.20 Refreshment break & networking

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15.20 – 15.50 **The Great Realignment: Navigating Strategic Bifurcation and Ecosystem Activation in Japan's Healthcare Sector**  
Yue Feng, Vice President, Investment Banking at Nomura International Plc

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15.50 – 16.20 **Could the Chugai-Roche alliance model work in China? Lessons from a successful alliance for a new partnership landscape**  
Ingo Stiller, Pharma Partnering, Head Chugai (Japan) & Basel Alliance  
Management at Roche

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16.20 – 16.50 **Asia - Roundtable Discussion**  
Moderation: Monika Baudler-Klein, Swiss HLG Board Member

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16.50 – 17.00 Swiss HLG Start-Up Initiative and housekeeping  
Michael Huebner, Swiss HLG Board Member

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17.00 - 18:45 Networking and or free time

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19.00 Swiss HLG networking dinner  
Dress code business casual

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21.45 onwards Networking with peers

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**Tuesday, May 12th 2026**

**The conference starts at 09.00**

- 07.00      Preconference easy run along the lake - voluntary (meet at reception)
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- 09.00 – 09.05    **Welcome & housekeeping**  
*Intro: United States – Navigating Uncertainty and Looking for Strategic Advantage*  
Chris Isler, Swiss HLG Board Member
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- 09.05 – 09.35    **From Idea to Value: Building Biotechs in a More Competitive World**  
Katharina Kreymborg, SVP, CSO Partner Team at Curie.Bio
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- 09.35 – 10.05    **HAYA Therapeutics: Dark Matter, Global Partners**  
Samir Ounzain, Chief Executive Officer & Scientific Co-Founder at HAYA Therapeutics SA
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- 10.05 – 10.35    **Refreshment break & networking**
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- 10.35 – 11.05    **Globalizing in an Uncertain World – What Opportunities and Challenges Are Being Created?**  
Orlando Oliveira, Chief Commercial Officer at Zenas Biopharma
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- 11.05 – 11.35    **Navigating the Impact of MFN on Dealmaking**  
Martin Slusarczyk, Senior Director, Pharma Transaction Services Lead at Simon-Kucher
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- 11.35 – 12.20    **Closing Key Note**  
**Cross Border Innovation, Strategic M&A, and the New Architecture of Biotech Growth**  
Patrick Aisher, Chairman of Kinled Holding Limited
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- 12.20 – 12.30    **Closing Remarks**  
Jean-Marc Séquier, Vice President Swiss HLG
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- 12.30 - 13.30    **Farewell Lunch**
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