Subsidy for scientific events with at least 40% female speakers

Principle of the subsidy

❖ On average, the number of female speakers invited to scientific events is significantly lower than the proportion of female researchers active in the field of the event.

❖ This means that women often have fewer opportunities to present their research results, to increase their professional network and thus to find sources of funding.

❖ Events with a greater number of female speakers would present a more accurate picture of the composition of the scientific community while at the same time providing role models for the next generation of women.

❖ In order to encourage an increase in the number of female keynote speakers at the FBM, CHUV/Unisanté scientific events, the Dean’s Office has put in place a directive which came into force on 1 January 2016. This directive gives the possibility to the FBM and CHUV/Unisanté collaborators to obtain a subsidy for the organisation of scientific events with a minimum of 40% female speakers.