Childcare in Basel: Information for D-BSSE employees

ETH Zurich helps its employees meeting the challenge to reconcile family and work. This information sheet offers the D-BSSE staff in particular an orientation about the subject of childcare in Basel.

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ETH Zurich does not offer its own childcare facilities at the Basel site. However, Basel is a very attractive city for families, since it has a lot to offer for children and their parents:

**Services in Basel**

**General information**
- Information for families in Basel
  - [www.familien.bs.ch](http://www.familien.bs.ch)
  - [www.baslerfamilien.info](http://www.baslerfamilien.info)

**Advice**
- Parent counselling in Basel Stadt
  - [www.elternberatungbasel.ch](http://www.elternberatungbasel.ch)
- Counselling agency for binational couples and families
  - [www.binational-bs.ch](http://www.binational-bs.ch)

**Childcare**
- Daycare agency Basel-Stadt
  - [www.tagesbetreuung.bs.ch](http://www.tagesbetreuung.bs.ch)
- Childminder agency
  - [www.tagesfamilien.org](http://www.tagesfamilien.org)
- Daycare structure and „Mittagstische“
  - [www.tagesstrukturen.bs.ch](http://www.tagesstrukturen.bs.ch)
- Babysitting agency, babysitting for sick children, discharge service for families
  - [www.srk-bs.ch](http://www.srk-bs.ch)
- Specialist and contact unit for playgroups Basel + region
  - [www.fks-bs.ch](http://www.fks-bs.ch)
- „Basler Kindernäscht“ – care by the hour for 1.5-12 yr. old children
  - [www.kindernaescht.ch](http://www.kindernaescht.ch)
- Free advice for parents in Basel-Stadt / Basel-Land
  - [www.muetterberatung-bi-bs.ch](http://www.muetterberatung-bi-bs.ch)
- Advice and support for parents in overload or crisis situations
  - [www.elternhilfe.ch](http://www.elternhilfe.ch)
- List of childcare facilities throughout Switzerland
  - [www.kibesuisse.ch](http://www.kibesuisse.ch)

**Leisure & holidays**
- Neighbourhood meeting places
  - [www.quartiertreffpunktebasel.ch](http://www.quartiertreffpunktebasel.ch)
- Family pass in the region of Basel
  - [www.familienpass.ch](http://www.familienpass.ch)
- Holiday camps for school kids
  - [www.tagesferien.bs.ch](http://www.tagesferien.bs.ch)
- Pro Juventute camps for children
  - [www.projuventute.ch/de/eltern/freizeit-ferien](http://www.projuventute.ch/de/eltern/freizeit-ferien)
- Basler Holiday Pass
  - [www.basler-ferienpass.ch/fp/](http://www.basler-ferienpass.ch/fp/)
- Leisure ideas
  - [www.unibas.ch/Familienangebote-Freizeitideen](http://www.unibas.ch/Familienangebote-Freizeitideen)

**ETH support**

**Advisory services**
- Hello Kids! is ETH Zurich’s service point for childcare. Parents (-to-be) can take advantage of the free consultations on offer and seek help with finding suitable childcare solutions.
  - [www.ethz.ch/hellokids](http://www.ethz.ch/hellokids)

**Family allowance and financial support for baby’s nursery places**
- ETH provides further support services for families by offering a family allowance, which exceeds the statutorily required level, and financial assistance for baby’s nursery places. Information on family allowances can be found on the corresponding website. Please fill in the application for family allowances via ETHIS.

If you are a parent whose baby under 18 months is cared for outside of the family, you can apply to Hello Kids! for a refund of the price difference between a baby’s nursery place and an infant’s nursery place.
  - [www.ethz.ch/familienzulagen](http://www.ethz.ch/familienzulagen)
  - [www.ethz.ch/hellokids](http://www.ethz.ch/hellokids)
Financial support for (post)doctoral students
Per year ETH Zurich offers financial support to 10-15 doctoral and postdoctoral students with babies (< 18 months) with the help of the Robert-Gnehm-Grants. You are eligible for this support if you present your own research results at an important conference which will cause additional child care costs.

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ETH Zurich employees with family responsibilities will find further services at Hello Kids!. Services that do not explicitly relate to the Zurich location, naturally also apply to ETH Zurich employees in other locations.

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Support from the SNSF
SNSF Flexibility Grant
The Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF) supports postdoctoral researchers who have to look after children during what is an important stage in their career and who therefore need more flexibility. The grant allows researchers to reduce their workload and hire someone to support their work for the same period.

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