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Our Main Sponsors are committed as long-term partners of Lucerne Festival to sustainably promoting the development and realization of specific artistic concepts. Together we make unique projects possible and ensure great musical experiences.

The non-profit **Kühne Foundation** has been supporter of Lucerne Festival since 2008 and became Main Sponsor in 2020. Classical music projects are the focus of the Kühne Foundation's cultural sponsorship activities. The Foundation supports a number of renowned festivals, opera houses, and concert halls. Its cooperation with Lucerne Festival centres on supporting the Lucerne Festival Orchestra.

**Roche** is committed as a Main Sponsor and Partner of the Lucerne Festival Academy. Each year it awards commissions for compositions, alternating between the "Roche Young Commissions" and the "Roche Commissions" series. The first-named series, which has been taking place for over ten years, awards commissions to two young emerging composers, who each create an orchestral work over a two-year period. During the 2025 Summer Festival, the new works by "Roche Young Commissions" composers Guillem Palomar and Jakob Raab, will receive their world premieres.

**Family Schwöbel** has been closely connected with Lucerne Festival for over 30 years. Alongside their long-standing philanthropic support of the Summer Festival and the Lucerne Festival Academy, the family has also contributed to several important key initiatives for young musicians and contemporary music. This year, they will once again support a special project during the Summer Festival. Lucerne Festival is deeply grateful to welcome the Schwöbel family, devoted patrons for many years, among its main sponsors.

**UBS** and Lucerne Festival share a close and multifaceted partnership. As Main Sponsor of the Summer Festival, UBS makes the Vienna Philharmonic's annual symphony concerts possible. Furthermore, UBS supports the "Lakeside Symphony," the popular live public streaming of the Opening Concert at the Inseli park in Lucerne. UBS also fosters the careers of young, highly talented musicians by awarding two annually alternating prizes: the "UBS Young Artist Award" and the "Prix UBS Jeunes Solistes."

**Zurich Insurance** has been committed to Lucerne Festival since the 1990s and has been Main Sponsor of the Summer Festival since 2005. As Partner of the free-admission "40min" series, Zurich emphasizes its conviction that music has the power to energize society and that it should be accessible to everyone. As part of Zurich's "Classical Music for All" theme, the 40min Open Air event will take place for the third year this summer on the Europaplatz, presenting three multi-faceted acts in rapid succession. Zurich also supports Lucerne Festival as a Climate Partner in implementing its sustainability strategy.



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