



Transparency in political funding: budgeted receipts for popular votes of 22 September 2024 and final accounts for popular votes of 9 June 2024 now available

Bern, 23 August 2024 – Two proposals will be put to the vote on 22 September 2024. The budgeted receipts are now available and have been published in the SFAO's [electronic reporting register](#). The Swiss Federal Audit Office (SFAO) publishes them at least 30 days before federal popular votes. The final reported receipts for the four popular vote campaigns of 9 June 2024 are also available.

Popular vote of 22 September: Over 10 million disclosed

In total, 10 political actors reported 10 campaigns with budgeted receipts totalling CHF 10.86 million to the SFAO for the two proposals "For the future of our nature and landscape (biodiversity initiative)" and the amendment to the Federal Act on Occupational Old Age, Survivors' and Invalidation Pension Provision (occupational pension reform).

The largest amount of money budgeted is for the "For the future of our nature and landscape (biodiversity initiative)" proposal, at CHF 5.49 million. The proposal advocates have CHF 3.31 million at their disposal, while the opponents expect an inflow of CHF 2.18 million. Fewer funds of CHF 5.36 million will be used for the amendment to the Federal Act on Occupational Old Age, Survivors' and Invalidation Pension Provision (occupational pension reform). The chart provides a detailed overview. The highest budget of all campaigns was recorded by the committee "Yes to more nature, landscape and building culture" with around CHF 3.31 million, followed by the alliance "Yes to the BVG reform" with CHF 3.28 million.

The SFAO will publish an overview of the definitive reported receipts for the vote of 22 September 2024 and the updated list of the people and organisations subjected to a material audit by 6 December 2024 at the latest.

Definitive receipts for the 9 June 2024 campaigns

The definitive receipts for the four proposals put to a popular vote total CHF 11.57 million. They are therefore 12% above the budgeted figures disclosed 30 days before the voting date. The most money was used by the "Alliance for a secure electricity supply" campaign aimed at amending the Energy Act and the Electricity Supply Act, at CHF 2.32 million. The final accounts can be consulted in the [electronic reporting register](#), a graphical overview can be found in the appendix.

The SFAO audited six of the 17 campaigns reported. In terms of value, these checks covered 68% of total receipts. The SFAO is not authorised to provide information on the findings.

The list of people and organisations audited is published and has been [updated](#).

Enclosure 1: Graph "Budgeted receipts for the popular vote on 22 September 2024"

Enclosure 2: Graph "Final figures for the popular vote on 9 June 2024"