

## Languages at Empa

English is the language of science. A basic condition of working in most of the laboratories and departments, therefore, is a good knowledge of English.

In addition to English, however, German plays a central role. A good command of German makes internal social contacts easier and makes communication possible with Empa's indigenous partners and clients, as well as with Swiss governmental offices.

Switzerland has four linguistic regions, where German, French, Italian and Rhaeto-Romanic are spoken. All three Empa sites lies within the German-speaking part of the country, but nevertheless a knowledge of French or Italian can be useful during a stay in the country. In the Rhaeto-Romanic speaking areas German is also usually spoken.

So don't hesitate – take advantage of the wide range of language courses which are available!

