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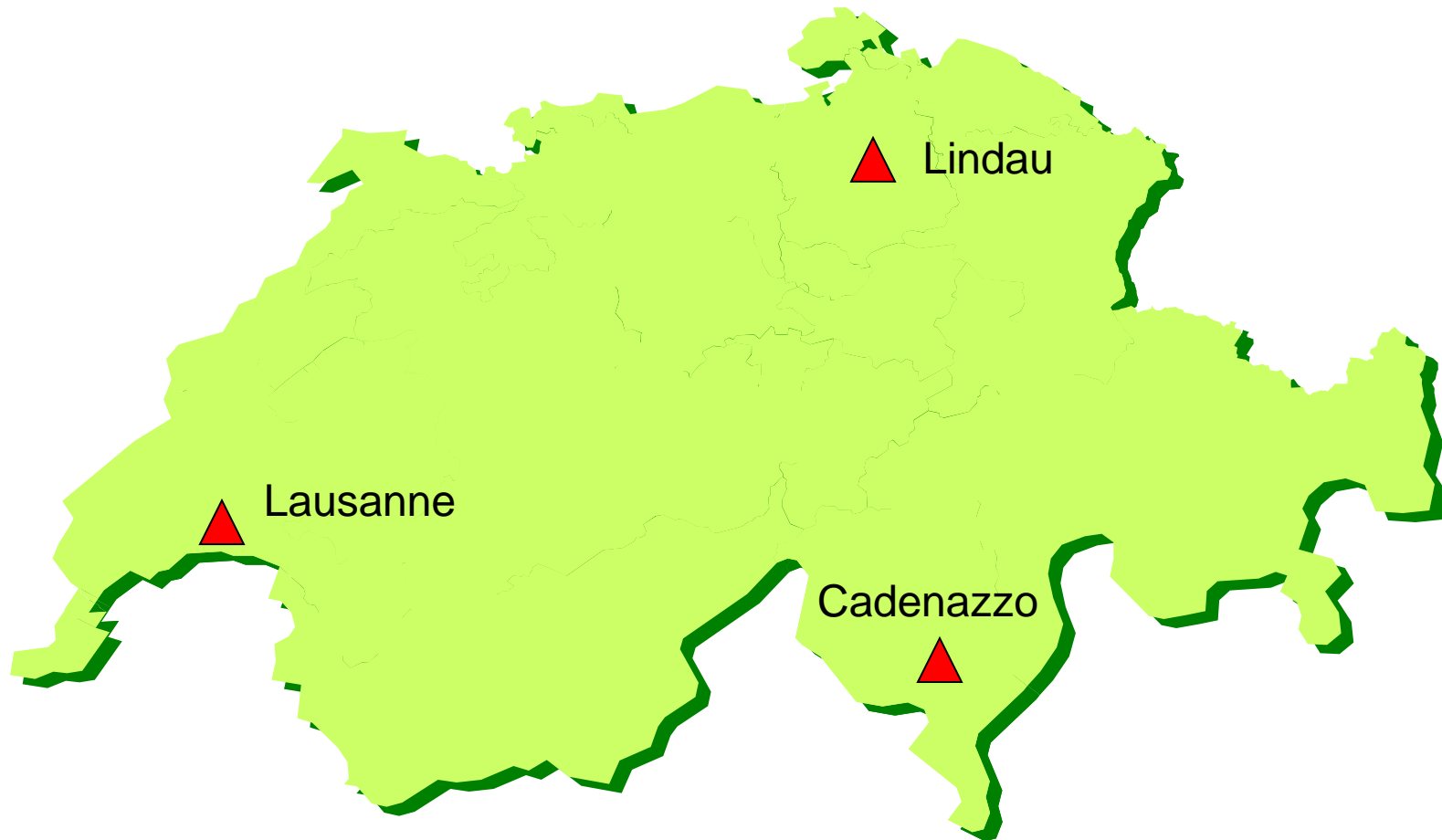
The Rural Advisory System in Switzerland: an overview of its organisation

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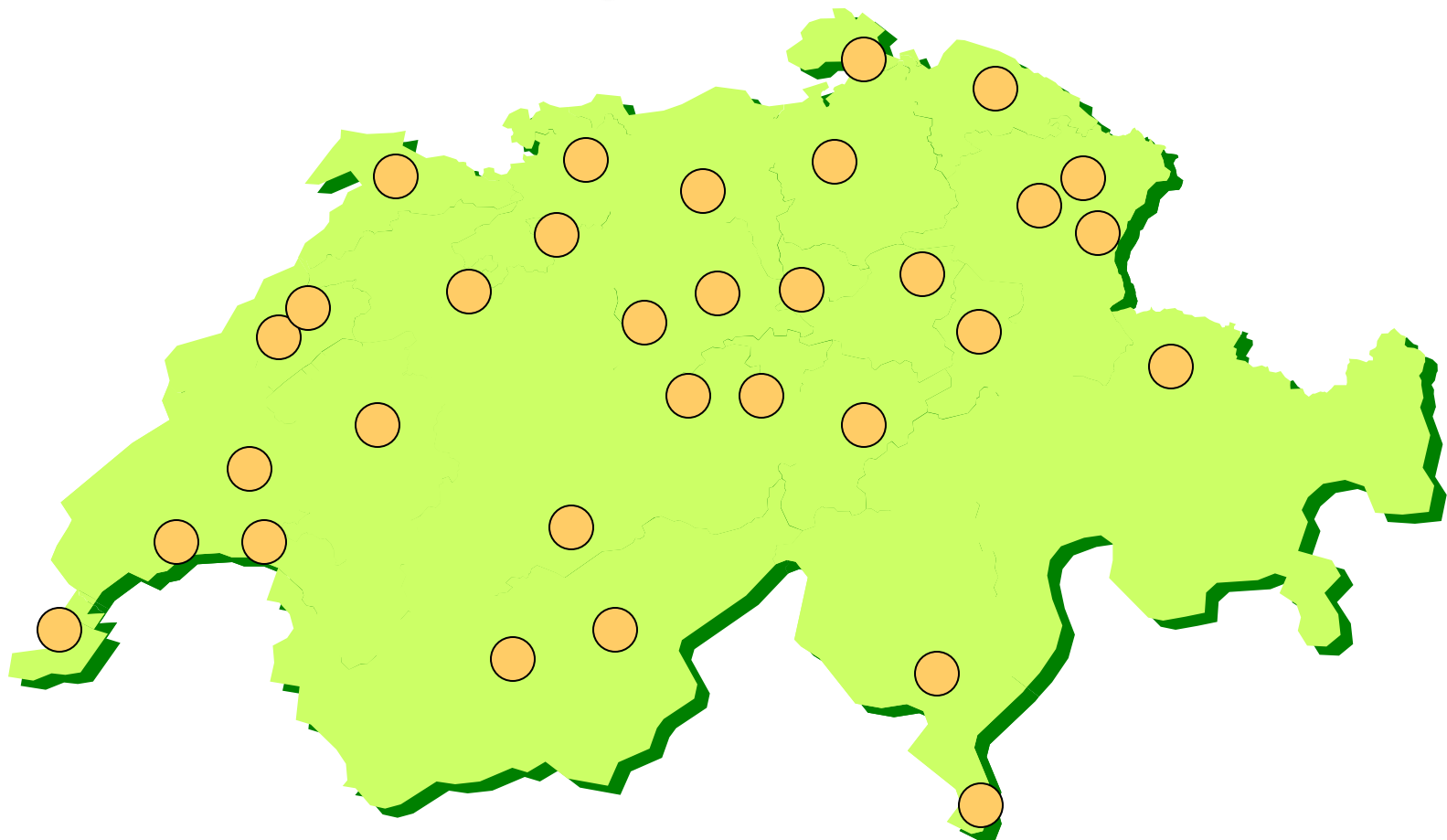
Private Association, Cantons and farmers' organisation as members, partly financed by the Federal Office for Agriculture

=> support for cantonal RAS (no direct intervention on farms)

- development of methods and competences
- training courses for advisory workers
- information and documentation
- networking, knowledge exchange
- direct support for cantonal RAS and farmers' organisations



Cantonal Agricultural Colleges and Rural Advisory Services



● Agricultural Colleges and Advisory Services



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Depending on cantonal government (or sometimes on cantonal farmers' organisations)

Financed by public funds, partly by sales of products

=> Vocational education and training (age 16-20)

=> Professional education and training (age 20+) up to farmer with advanced federal diploma

=> Advisory Services

- Information and documentation for farmers
- training courses
- advice in public and private interest
- project support

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