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European Recipes for Innovation: Switzerland, UK, the Netherlands, and How They Engage with China

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Switzerland, the Netherlands and the UK are, according to the most recent Global Innovation Index, all ranked among the top 5 of the world most innovative countries. What are these countries' strategies for fostering innovation? Let's compare their individual recipes for successful innovation and learn about their strategic engagement with China on innovation.

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