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Crisis Management - Is Switzerland Really Prepared for Crises and Catastrophes?

Wednesday, 30.03.2022, 6 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. with Aperitif | Bellevue Palace, Bern

Keynote Speeches



Georg Klein
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Panel Discussion | Moderation: Fredy Müller, Managing Director SSF



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Invitation to the 10th SSF Security Talk

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The pandemic changed our lives abruptly. Within a very short time, our society was confronted with major problems that had previously been virtually unknown. However, it was not only Switzerland that was challenged, but all countries. Although Switzerland had repeatedly attested to good crisis management, the reality was different. The Confederation, the cantons, and the authorities, which were supposed to be prepared for crises and react accordingly in exceptional situations, were overwhelmed in many places. Several experts, but also the population, therefore, criticise Switzerland's crisis management and urgently demand corrections.

Therefore, irrespective of the Corona pandemic, the pressing question is whether and how Switzerland would be prepared for other crisis situations such as terrorist attacks, cyber attacks, nuclear catastrophe, power failures or supply crises. What are the urgent lessons to be learned from the Covid-19 pandemic? How have other countries managed the crisis?

The 10th FSS Security Talk is therefore dedicated to the central topic of crisis preparation and crisis management:

- How crisis-proof is the Swiss political system with its peculiarities, such as federalism, concordance, or consultation procedures? Does such a system also function in an emergency?
- What is needed for optimal crisis management in terms of structures, processes, communication, and leaders? Who has to take responsibility in a crisis situation?
- What conclusions can be drawn in comparison to foreign countries? What lessons can be learned from past national security exercises? Are Swiss authorities and organisations willing to take such test situations seriously and not treat them as "fair weather exercises"?
- Can crisis management be trained? And is it possible to apply what has been learned quickly in an emergency?
- What needs to be changed so that the population is able to deal with crises as well?

We would be very pleased to welcome you to the SSF Security Talk in large attendance:

• Wednesday, 30 March 2022, from 6 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at the Bellevue Palace in Bern

Thank you for registering by 20 March 2022 and we look forward to your participation.

Yours sincerely,

Hans-Jürg Käser

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Fredy Müller

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Programme

6 p.m.	Welcome	Hans-Jürg Käser, President SSF
	Lessons from crisis management in Germany	Georg Klein, Head of Operations Department, German Armed Forces Base Command
	Can crisis situations be trained?	Hans-Jürg Käser, Head of Security Joint Exercise 19; former President CCJPD
	Does Switzerland need a superordinate crisis team?	Stefan Holenstein, President National Conference of Military Umbrella Organisations (NCMO)
6:50 p.m.	Panel discussion and Q&A session	
	Panel guests:	Rainer Deutschmann, Head of the National Crisis Team Migros Group
		Marianne Binder-Keller, National Councillor (The Centre); PIC-N
		Raynald Droz, Commander of the Military Police; former Chief of Staff Operations Command
		Hans-Jürg Käser, Head of Security Joint Exercise 19; former President CCJPD
	Moderation:	Fredy Müller, Managing Director SSF
7:50 p.m.	Aperitif	

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