



11th SSF SECURITY TALK

Cyber threats – how great is the danger and how can the state, the economy and society protect themselves against them?

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Opening | Keynote presentations



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Invitation to the 11th SSF Security Talk

Dear members, interested parties and guests,

New forms of threat such as cyber attacks are also one of the greatest dangers for Switzerland. Increasing cyber attacks affect all areas, state, economy and society. With the *Cyber 2021-2024 strategy*, the DDPS has initiated corresponding measures in the area of cyber defence.

However, cyber risks are still difficult to grasp for a large part of the economy, especially for SMEs, and for the population, even though numerous companies and organisations in Switzerland have already been victims of attacks. The financial damages of such attacks amount to millions. However, the consequences of a cyber attack on critical infrastructures, such as the energy supply, healthcare facilities or the supply of means of transport, would be much more serious. For this reason, Switzerland is facing numerous urgent questions about how we can protect ourselves from cyber threats.

- How does the EU and other European countries deal with this problem and where does Switzerland stand in international comparison?
- Where does Switzerland stand in the area of cyberdefence? What does the DDPS "Cyber Strategy 2021-2024" achieve?
- What is the division of responsibilities between the state, the economy and society with regard to cyber threats?
- How can the protection of critical infrastructures be guaranteed? What precautions have already been taken, what further steps are necessary?
- What services and tools do leading Swiss technology companies recommend in the military and civilian sectors?
- How can the private sector and SMEs in particular protect themselves against possible cyber attacks? What to do if you are hacked?

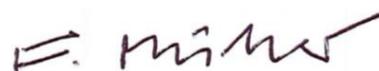
At the **11th FSS Security Talk "Cyber threats..."**, on **Monday, 17 October 2022**, in **Bern**, experts from academia, the private sector, the armed forces, authorities and politics will speak and discuss and answer your questions.

We look forward to your participation!

With kind regards

A blue ink signature of Hans-Jürg Käser, consisting of a stylized 'H' and 'K'.

Hans-Jürg Käser
President
SWISS SECURITY FORUM (FSS)

A red ink signature of Fredy Müller, written in a cursive style.

Fredy Müller
Geschäftsführer
SWISS SECURITY FORUM (FSS)

Provisional programme

18:00 **Greeting**

Federal Council Ueli Maurer, Head of the Federal Department of Finance (FDF)

Cybersecurity in Europe

Dr. Stefanie Frey Managing Director Deutor Cyber Security GmbH, Member Advisory Group ENISA

Swiss Armed Forces Cyber Command

Colonel Robert Flück, Project Cyber Command, Swiss Armed Forces

Cyber threats in Switzerland - an overview

Dr. Peter Friedli, Head of Defence , AWK Group

19:00 **Panel discussion and Q&A session**

Panel guests :

Florian Schütz, Delegate of the Confederation for Cyber Security

Dr. Jörg Mäder, National Councillor (GLP, ZH)

Alexandra Arni, Head of ICT, Swiss Bankers Association, Vice President, Swiss FS-CSC

Dr. Urs Loher, CEO / Country Manager Switzerland,

Thales Suisse SA

Moderation:

Fredy Müller, Managing Director SSF

20:00 **Apero**

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Short Biography of the Speakers | Panellists

Ueli Maurer has been Federal Councillor since 2009 and Head of the Federal Department of Finance (FDF) since 2016. His term of office as head of the FDF included the establishment of the National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC), which was established as a strategic unit within the FDF General Secretariat. He was previously head of the Federal Department of Defence, Civil Protection and Sport (DDPS) from 2009 to 2015. Ueli Maurer held the office of President of the Confederation in 2013 and 2019.

Dr. Stefanie Frey is the founder and managing director of Deutor Cybersecurity Solutions GmbH. As coordinator for the Swiss government, she actively shaped the implementation of the Swiss National Cyber Strategy over several years. She contributed to the ENISA Working Group on Cyber Security and the OECD Working Party on Security and Privacy in the Digital Economy (SPDE). She also had a significant influence on the outcome of the Digital Security Risk Recommendation. Within the scope of her international mandates, she advises states and companies from all over the world on the development of cyber strategies.

Colonel Robert Flück is sub-project leader for Cy + EM actions and deputy head of the Electrical Operations Centre in the Swiss Armed Forces Cyber Command project. Previously, as project manager, he led the development of the Swiss Armed Forces Cyber Course, in which militiamen are trained to become cyber specialists.

Dr Peter Friedli is Senior Manager and Head of Defence at AWK Group, an international and independent management and technology consultancy. He holds a PhD in Physics from ETH Zurich and an MSc in Electrical Engineering and Information Technology. As Head of Defence, he is responsible for all AWK Group's activities in the field of the Armed Forces and Civil Protection and has carried out a large number of projects and mandates in the public, military and cyber security sectors over the last ten years. He served as an intelligence officer with the rank of captain in the Swiss Army.

As the Confederation's delegate for cyber security, **Florian Schütz** is primarily responsible for the operational implementation of the national cyber strategy and coordinates the various areas within the Confederation. Previously, he was Head of IT Risk & Security at Zalando SE and Head of Cyber Security at RUAG. In his numerous activities, he is familiar with both the national and the private sector perspective and was also able to gain an international impression through activities in Israel.

Dr. Jörg Mäder has been a member of the Zurich National Council and Opfikon town council for the GLP since 2019. He was previously a Zurich cantonal councillor. He also works as a freelance programmer and mathematics teacher. He completed his studies in environmental sciences at the ETH Zurich. Through his work as a software developer, he has already gained extensive experience in the areas of IT and cyber.

Alexandra Arni leitet seit 2020 die Abteilung ICT bei der Schweizerischen Bankiervereinigung. Daneben ist sie im Vorstand des Swiss Financial Sector Cyber Security Centre (Swiss FS-CSC). Der Finanzsektor ist zunehmend von Cyberrisiken betroffen. Als Expertin auf diesem Gebiet kann Arni einen interessanten Einblick in eine Branche bieten, welche einen vorbildlichen Umgang mit Cyberbedrohungen vorweisen kann.

Dr Urs Loher has been CEO of Thales Suisse SA since 2019. Previously, he worked for several years for Rheinmetall Air Defence AG and for armasuisse. He graduated from the ETH in information technology. As a representative of Thales Suisse SA, Loher can offer exciting insights into cyber defence from the perspective of an armaments company.