



Federal Department of Foreign Affairs FDFA

List of participants in the Democracy Without Borders initiative

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Supporting the democratic transition in Tunisia

Name	Function
Martine Brunschwig-Graf	Former national councillor, former cantonal councillor of the Canton of Geneva, president of the Federal Commission against racism, President of the Bureau de l'Amiable Compositeur
Thérèse Meyer-Kälin	Former national councillor, from 2015 chair of the Federal Coordination Commission for Family Affairs
Rita Fuhrer	Former cantonal councillor of the Canton of Zurich
Eugen David	Former national councilor and member of the Council of States, President of the Advisory Committee of the Swiss Centre of Expertise in Human Rights (SCHR)
Andreas Auer	Emeritus professor of the universities of Zurich and Geneva (public law and constitutional law), founding director of the Centre for Democracy Studies Aarau
Dick Marty	Former member of the Council of States and former cantonal councilor from the Canton of Tessin, member of the board of directors Helvetas, vice-president of the World Organisation Against Torture (OMCT)
Chiara Simoneschi	Former national councillor, former president of the Federal Commission for Women's Issues
Andreas Gross	Former national councillor, founder of the private scientific institute for direct democracy in Zurich; since 1998 "Atelier pour la Democratie Directe" in St. Ursanne (JU), lecturer for direct democracy at several universities

Promotion of dual vocational education and training in Honduras and Myanmar

Name	Function
Rudolf Strahm	Chair of the Swiss Federation for Adult Learning, former national councillor
Peter Arbenz	President of the Advisory Committee on International Development Cooperation, former president of Helvetas, former director of the Federal Office for Refugees, honorary member of the International Comitee of the Red Cross (ICRC)
Christoph Lindenmeyer	Member of the committee of the board of trustees, Swisscontact, vice-president of Swissmem, chairman of the board of directors, Schindler Management AG, member of the committee of the board of directors, Economiesuisse
Hans-Jürg Fehr	National councillor (until the end of the 2014 summer session), member of the Economic Affairs and Taxation Committee and the Foreign Affairs Committee, president of the executive board, Solidar
Ernst Buschor	Former cantonal councillor, former director of education of the Canton of Zurich, member of the management committee of the AVENIR foundation, member of the advisory board, Centre for Higher Education, member of the board of trustees of the Jacobs foundation, the Careum foundation and the International Foundation for Research in Paraplegia
Véronique Polito	Secretary general of the Swiss Federation of Trade Unions (SGB), Topics: primary education, professional education, vocational training and politics regarding academia and youth

Support for women victims of violence in the Great Lakes region (Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda and Burundi)

Name	Function
Gabrielle Nanchen	Honorary member of the ICRC Assembly, former national councillor, former SDC representative for North-South activities of the Council of Europe, former vice-president of the Federal Commission for Women's Issues
Marco Solari	President of the Locarno International Film Festival, president of Ticino Turismo
Thérèse Frösch	Former national councillor, vice-president of Helvetas, chair of the governing board Domicil Bern, chair of the board of trustees Contact Netz Bern
Brigitta Gadient	Former national councillor
Dick Marty	Former member of the Council of States and former cantonal councilor from the Canton of Tessin, member of the board of directors Helvetas, vice-president of OMCT
Chiara Simoneschi	Former national councillor, former president of the Federal Commission for Women's Issues
Trix Heberlein	Former national councillor and member of the Council of States, president of the Swisstransplant foundation

From music to sustainable development: cultural exchanges along the Nile

Name	Function
Bastian Baker	Singer