



Lieutenant General Thomas SUSSLI Chief of the Armed Forces

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Current function

Lieutenant General Sussli is responsible for the leadership and the development of the Swiss Armed Forces. He heads the Department's defence sector and is directly subordinate to the head of the Federal Department of Defence, Civil Protection and Sport (DDPS), Federal Councillor Viola Amherd.

Under his command as Chief of the Armed Forces are the Armed Forces Staff, Joint Operations Command, the Armed Forces Logistics Organisation, the Command Support Organisation and the Training and Education Command.

Career

1995 Captain, commander mobile hospital company
2000 Major GS, General Staff officer in a staff of a territorial division
2004 Lieutenant Colonel GS, commander hospital battalion
2008 Deputy chief of staff in a logistics brigade
2012 Colonel GS, deputy commander logistics brigade
2015 Brigadier General, commander logistics brigade
2018 Major General, Head of Armed Forces Command Support Organisation
2020 Lieutenant General, Chief of the Armed Forces

Civilian career

1989 Officer/head of laboratory, UN mission UNTAG Namibia
1989 Director, global head of collateral trading IT, UBS AG
2001 COO and co-owner, head of product management, IFBS AG
2008 Executive director, head of processing management, Bank Vontobel AG
2011 Director, head of Investment Advisory International, Credit Suisse AG
2014 CEO, Vontobel Financial Products, Singapore
2015 Accession to career officers' corps