



Lieutenant General Benedikt ROOS

Chief of the Armed Forces

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Current function

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

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

Career

1994 Captain, Commander of an armoured company

1997 Commander of an armoured HQ company

1999 Officer assigned to the Commander of a field division staff

2000 Major GS, officer in the staff of an armoured brigade

2003 Lieutenant Colonel GS, Commander of an armoured battalion

2008 Chief of logistics in an armoured brigade staff

2009 Colonel GS, chief of staff of an armoured brigade

2018 Brigadier General, Commander of a Mechanised Brigade

2022 Head of Armed Forces Planning and Deputy Head of Armed Forces Staff

2024 Commander of the Commander and Staff Officer School

2024 Major General, Commander Land Forces

2026 Lieutenant General, Chief of the Armed Forces

Functions / professional activities

1996 Military Academy and admission to the instruction corps

1997 Instructor at the mechanised and light infantry officer's school

2001 Staff officer assigned to the chief of training of mechanised and light infantry forces

2002 Armed Forces XXI, project manager in training planning of the Chief of Land Forces

2003 US Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth (USA)

2004 Project manager for training mechanised units abroad

2006 Group chief at the Commander and Staff Officers School

2007 Group chief at the General Staff School

2008 Commander of armoured and artillery officers schools

2011 Commander of the Bachelor study courses at MILAC

2013 Chief of command and control organisation Defence Group and chief of the CAF staff group

2018 Deputy Commander, Chief of Staff and Commander Unit Leadership Course