



# Major General Germaine J.F. SEEWER

Head of International Relations Defence

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## Current function

Major General Seewer is Head of International Relations Defence in the Armed Forces Staff. She directs and coordinates armed forces relations at both bilateral and international levels.

The Head of International Relations Defence is responsible for establishing the politico-military and legal conditions for training cooperation of the armed forces abroad, for international missions, and for relations with other armed forces. In addition, she is responsible for verification measures in Switzerland and abroad. She is also in charge of the Swiss defence attachés abroad and the Military Protocol.

## Career

1999        Commander ad interim of an air force operations centre HQ company

2000        Captain, commander of an air force operations centre HQ company

2001        Head of Section in Swiss Armed Forces GS

2002        Major GS in a command, control and communication (C3) Brigade

2003        Lieutenant Colonel GS, officer GS in the air force operations staff

2004        Head of operations, deputy head of missions, Swiss International Command SWISSINT (Swiss Armed Forces International Command)

2006        Commander of the Air Force LOS Battalion

2007        Deputy commander of air force command support schools and commander unit training and technical courses

2008        Commander of air force command support schools

2010        Colonel GS, Chief of Air Force Training / assistant Chief of Staff Training

2011        In addition, Deputy Chief of Air Force Staff

2013        Brigadier General, Head of Armed Forces Personnel

2018        Commander of a Command Support Brigade

2020        Major General, Commander of the Armed Forces College and Deputy Chief of Training and Education Command

2024        Head of International Relations Defence

## Functions

2000        Staff officer at SWISSCOY, Kosovo (XKX)

2004        Military observer, UNMEE, Ethiopia/Eritrea (ETH/ERI)

2011        NATO Defense College, Senior Course, Rome (ITA)

2022        Halifax Peace with Women Fellowship Class 2020