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# 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**

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| 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 the air force command support schools and commander unit training and technical courses |
| 2008 | Commander of the 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 the 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**

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| 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 |