



**Federal Councillor Johann N. Schneider-Ammann
Head of the Federal Department of Economic Affairs, Education and
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Born in 1952 in Sumiswald (canton Bern), Swiss Federal Councillor Johann N. Schneider-Ammann assumed office as head of the Federal Department of Economic Affairs, Education and Research EAER on 1 November 2010. His political career includes being a Member of the National Council for the FDP. In 2016 he was President of the Swiss Confederation.

He represented canton Bern from 1999 until 2010, as a member of the Committee for Economic Affairs and Taxation. Mr. Schneider-Ammann was also the Chairman of the Board of the Ammann Group 1987-2010 and President and Delegate of the Ammann Group 1990-2010. He studied electrical engineering at the ETH Zurich (1977 Dipl. El. Ing. ETH) and completed an MBA in 1982/83 from INSEAD in Fontainebleau/Paris. Mr. Schneider-Ammann is also an Honorary Councillor of the ETH Zurich.

Some of his previous mandates include:

- President of the Swiss Engineering, Electrical and Metal Industry Association (Swissmem)
- Management committee of economiesuisse (Vice-President)
- Board member of Confederation of Swiss Employers
- Board member of Trade and Industry Association of Canton Bern
- Board member of Association of Swiss Businesses in Germany
- Board member of Swatch and Belenos Clean Power Holding AG
- Board member of Mikron (President)