

Welcome to the 14th FSS Security Talk!

"Security of supply: how vulnerable and dependent is Switzerland on global supply chains?"

Dear SSF members, interested parties and guests,

We are pleased to welcome you to the 14th SSF Security Talk on the highly topical subject of **"Security of supply: how vulnerable and dependent is Switzerland on global supply chains?"**

With the Covid pandemic and the Ukraine war, global supply chains have come under massive pressure as a result of increased geopolitical tensions. This has also made it abundantly clear to Switzerland what the consequences of its dependence on individual producers and countries of origin are.

The availability of drugs is a major concern. In January 2023, more than 970 drugs - from painkillers over antibiotics to opioids - were not available. Accordingly, the Federal Council classified the supply situation with drugs as "problematic" at the beginning of February. The supply situation is also "open" for other essential goods and in the energy sector:

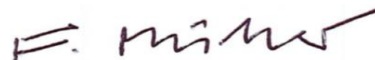
- What do governments and the economy have to do to become less dependent on producer countries like India and China?
- Do we need a return to multilateral trade policies and diversification of production sources?
- Will essential goods have to be produced in Europe and Switzerland again in the future? Who will take care of this question?
- What about Swiss security of supply in the areas of medicines, food, raw materials, energy, etc.? Why is there still no inventory of critical supply chains?
- How can the transport of goods be safeguarded in increasing crisis situations?

These important questions are the focus of the 14th SSF Security Talk, to which we warmly welcome you.

With kind regards

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Hans-Jürg Käser
President
SWISS SECURITY FORUM (SSF)

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Fredy Müller
Managing Director
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Program

18:00	Words of welcome Switzerland's national economic supply Global supply chains and security of supply	Hans-Jürg Käser , President SSF Dr Hans Häfliger , Delegate for National Economic Supply Prof. Dr Simon Evenett , Professor of International Trade and Economic Development, University of St. Gallen
19:00	Panel discussion and Q&A session Panel guests: Moderation:	Dr Hans Häfliger , Delegate for National Economic Supply Martine Ruggli , President, Swiss Pharmacists' Association pharmaSuisse Dr Alexander Muhm , Head of Freight Services, member of the Management Board, SBB Rainer Deutschmann , Head of Safety & Transport Directorate, Migros-Genossenschaftsbund Fredy Müller , Managing Director SSF
20:00	Apéritif	

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