

Invitation to the 24th SSF Security Talk

Tuesday, 11 November 2025 | 6.00 – 8.00 p.m., followed by aperitif | Pfalz Keller, St. Gallen



Hybrid warfare – How can we protect Switzerland's critical infrastructure

Speakers

Input presentations & Greeting



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Dear members, interested parties and guests,

Since the war of aggression against Ukraine, at the latest, it has become clear that threats to our security are no longer limited to conventional means. Espionage, sabotage and cyber attacks are now part of the arsenal of modern warfare. They often operate covertly in the grey area between war and peace – with real, tangible consequences.

Switzerland is also affected by this. As a highly interconnected, technologically advanced country in the heart of Europe, it is particularly dependent on functioning critical infrastructure – and at the same time a potential target for hybrid attacks. Electricity supply, telecommunications, transport, water and waste disposal: protecting these vital systems is essential – not only in times of crisis, but every day.

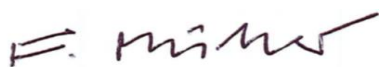
Resilience, early detection and defence against hybrid threats are therefore becoming increasingly central to security policy considerations – both in the Federal Intelligence Service and in the work of politicians, cantons, municipalities and businesses.

The 24th SSF Security Talk is therefore dedicated to this complex and highly topical issue. The focus is on the following questions:

- What is the threat situation for our critical infrastructures in the context of hybrid warfare?
- Which critical infrastructures are particularly at risk – and why
- How have the risk and threat situation changed in recent years?
- What specific protection and defence measures already exist – and where are there gaps?
- How does coordination between the federal government, cantons, municipalities, operators, the army and emergency services work?

We cordially invite you to join experts from politics, administration, security authorities and industry in discussing the challenges and scope for action in protecting our critical infrastructures.

Yours sincerely,



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Program

17:30 Arrival of the guests

18:00 Welcome Speech

Hans-Jürg Käser President SSF

18:10 Input presentations

Christian Sigrist Deputy Director of the FIS, Head of the Impact Centre Prevention (ICP)

Nick Wenger Head of the Critical Infrastructure Protection Office, Federal Office for Civil Protection (FOCP)

Jörg Köhler Head of the Office for Military and Civil Defence, Canton of St. Gallen

18:50 Greeting

State Councillor Christof Hartmann Head of the Department of Security and Justice, Canton of St. Gallen

19:00 Panel discussion and Q&A session

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20:00 Apéro

We would like to thank our event and annual partners!



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ASM Association des sociétés militaires suisses
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