

Curriculum vitae



Claude Wild

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Claude Wild was born in Lausanne in 1964. He studied political science and international relations at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva and completed his postgraduate studies in security policy. As a member of the Swiss contingent, Wild took part in UN peacekeeping operations in Namibia and Western Sahara between 1989 and 1990, and again from 1991 to 1992. From 1990 to 1991, he worked as an assistant on the security policy programme at the Graduate Institute. In 1992, Wild entered the diplomatic service. Following deployments at the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), the Swiss embassy in Nigeria and the Austrian defence ministry, he was appointed deputy head of Peace Policy Section III at the Political Affairs Division in Bern. From 1997, Wild served as first secretary and later counsellor at the Swiss embassy in Moscow. In 2000, he took over as head of the Policies and Institutions Section at the Integration Office (now the Directorate for European Affairs) in Bern, which is responsible for Switzerland's EU policy. In 2004, Wild became deputy head of the Swiss embassy in Canada and, from 2007, served at minister level as deputy head of the Swiss Mission to the European Union in Brussels. In 2010, he was appointed ambassador and head of the FDFA's Human Security Division (dealing with peace, human rights, humanitarian policy and international migration). Since August 2015, Ambassador Wild has served as the Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), and to the United Nations Office and to the other international organisations in Vienna.