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## Summer camps

This year the Youth Service of the Secretariat for the Swiss Abroad is again running two summer camps for sports and culture for young Swiss Abroad aged between 15 and 25 years old. The venue: Baden in the Canton of Aargau. The dates: 11.7.-24.7. and 25.7.-7.8. The cost: CHF 750.- per person. In the mornings participants will have the opportunity to take part in a range of sports from ball games to water sports and mountain biking. The afternoons are devoted to a programme of excursions around the region. Around 50 young people



from all over the world are awaited. For information and registration please contact the

Secretariat for the Swiss Abroad, Alpenstrasse 26  
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1999 Congress of the Swiss Abroad, Lausanne

## The European integration of Switzerland

**"Switzerland – Europe". This year's Congress of the Swiss Abroad will be devoted to a highly topical issue: the process of Swiss integration in the European Union (EU).**

Following four years of negotiations, the bilateral agreement between the EU and Switzerland was concluded on 11 December 1998. The successful outcome was announced in the celebrated ceremonial hall of Vienna's Hofburg Palace.

Agreement on the seven dossiers represents a historic event for Switzerland. This

significant move marking the beginning of a new relationship with Europe is reason enough to devote the 77th Congress of the Swiss Abroad to the discussion of Switzerland's further steps towards integration. After all, it also has major implications for the Fifth Switzerland, particularly concerning personal mobility. Moreover, follow-

ing conclusion of the bilateral agreement the Federal Council declared that this would in no way alter the strategic goal of EU membership.

But the Congress of the Swiss Abroad, to be held in Lausanne from 6 to 8 August, is more than just a

meeting of specialists and a forum for exchanging ideas. Our programme also offers participants the unique opportunity of attending a very special cultural event: the Fête des Vignerons, a traditional folk festival held only four times each century.

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### Registration for the 77th Congress of the Swiss Abroad

Persons wishing to attend this year's Congress of the Swiss Abroad can request the relevant documentation from the Secretariat for the Swiss Abroad:



Please send me documentation on the 77th Congress for the Swiss Abroad, Lausanne (6-8 August 1999):

German       French

Name/First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Tel: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete the above form and send to the following address by the end of May 1999:

Secretariat of the Swiss Abroad, Congress Organisation, PO Box, CH-3000 Berne 16.

## JOHN F. KENNEDY INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

Gstaad, Switzerland



### Employment Opportunities

Small English-language boarding school seeks applications from Swiss nationals or persons with working permission for Switzerland. Positions may be available starting in September 1999 for qualified and experienced teachers trained to teach in an English-language program designed for children 5-14. Persons interested in working with our boarding students as house parents, assistant house parents or cook may also wish apply.

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