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## OSA and Embassy News



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Embassy of Switzerland to New Zealand, the Cook Islands, Fiji,  
Samoa, Tonga and Tuvalu

After twenty-five years of outstanding service to several thousand Swiss citizens in the Auckland region, to countless tourists in difficulty and to the Embassy, Consul Peter Deutschle has retired at the end of last year. The Swiss Confederation, the Ambassador and the entire Embassy team are profoundly grateful for everything Peter has done. Their friendship and best wishes accompany him.

The Embassy is pleased to announce the nomination of Adrian Blaser as the new honorary Consul of Switzerland. Adrian is well known in the Swiss community in Auckland where he also served as president of the Swiss Club. He works as a researcher at the Cancer Society Research Center at the University of Auckland and has assumed his duties as honorary Consul on 1 January 2019. The address of the Consulate is now:

**Consulate of Switzerland**  
157B Colwill Road  
Massey  
Auckland 0614

E-Mail: auckland@honrep.ch  
Phone: +64 9 281 3272  
Mobile: +64 21 232 79 98

Please note that visits have to be arranged in advance. All consular correspondence should be sent to the Embassy of Switzerland in Wellington, which is in charge of all administrative matters, with the exception of life certificates for the Swiss Compensation Office SCO and for Swiss pension funds, which can be issued by the Consul directly.

## Mobile passport station

to visit Auckland and Northland in 2019

The team of the Embassy in Wellington plans to visit in May 2019 the following regions with the mobile passport stations:

- Auckland
- Northland

Registered Swiss citizens will be contacted by email or letter shortly with detailed information regarding dates, venues and procedures. Please ensure that the Embassy has got your personal data and email address and that you have communicated any changes in civil status (marriage, divorce, death, birth etc.).

*Please note that Northland can only be considered if there is sufficient interest.*

## Help us

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Please advise Anita Zuber at  
anita.zuber@swiss.org.nz

## Email address

Please remember to inform the Embassy of Switzerland in Wellington if you have recently changed your email address.

It is important that the Embassy is always notified of any changes of your coordinates allowing it to keep in contact with you and can reach you in case of an emergency.

You can update your data through the Online Desk (you will find the link at the top of the homepage of the FDFA) or by sending an email to [wellington@eda.admin.ch](mailto:wellington@eda.admin.ch).

Please update your records with the Embassy's new email address [wellington@eda.admin.ch](mailto:wellington@eda.admin.ch).

## Changes to Swiss Society Constitution

**Important update!**  
Please check our website: [swiss.org.nz/links](http://swiss.org.nz/links)

The first line under links is "Swiss Society Constitution – proposed changes 2018". Please click on this link and you will see changes made in bold. If you would like to make comments please contact your local club Secretary or President by 10th February. If you are a Society only member please email [anna.blaettler@swiss.org.nz](mailto:anna.blaettler@swiss.org.nz)

We hope to have these changes agreed to and passed at the Society AGM to be held in Wellington on 2nd June 2019.