

# Federal Commission on Migration FCM



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# Who we are

**The Federal Commission on Migration FCM is an extra-parliamentary commission comprised of thirty migration experts appointed by the Federal Council.**

Walter Leimgruber, head of the Department of Cultural Studies and European Ethnology of the University of Basel, has chaired the FCM since January 2012. Elham Manea and Etienne Piguet both serve as vice-chairpersons. The FCM has an own Secretariat managed by Simone Prodolliet.

# What we do

## THE FEDERAL COMMISSION ON MIGRATION FCM

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- advises the Federal Council and the Federal Administration on matters pertaining to migration.
- promotes social cohesion through its support for projects.
- plays an active role in the sharing of experiences and opinions of experts
- publishes migration policy studies and recommendations and raises public awareness of selected current issues.





## ADVISORY SUPPORT

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The FCM deals with social, economic, cultural, political, demographic and legal issues arising from the stay migrants in Switzerland. This includes asylum seekers, recognised refugees and temporarily admitted persons. The FCM also formulates and publishes position papers and recommendations either at the behest of the Federal Council and federal departments or on its own initiative.

## PROMOTING SOCIAL COHESION

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Drawing from federal funding earmarked for integration, the FCM supports projects and programmes of national importance. The FCM is currently funding «Citoyenneté», «Periurban» and «Neues Wir».

## SHARING EXPERTISE

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The FCM actively takes part in the exchange of experiences and opinions at both national and international levels. It works with numerous partners, including competent federal, cantonal and communal authorities, specialised cantonal and municipal offices and commissions for foreigners and non-governmental organisations working in the area of integration. The FCM can serve as an intermediary between NGOs and federal authorities. It also coordinates its activities with other federal commissions.

## AWARENESS ACTIVITIES

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The FCM informs the public of its activities and current migration-related topics. It publishes position papers, recommendations and documentation concerning issues relevant to migration. It also produces the magazine «terra cognita» and organises symposiums, debates and information exhibitions.

[www.ekm.admin.ch](http://www.ekm.admin.ch)

Website of the FCM providing further information

[www.terra-cognita.ch](http://www.terra-cognita.ch)

terra cognita – Swiss journal on integration and migration

[www.periurban.ch](http://www.periurban.ch)

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