

Yves ROSSIER

Former Ambassador of Switzerland to Russia



Yves Rossier earned a law degree from the University of Fribourg. He then studied European law at the College of Europe in Bruges, before obtaining a master's degree in law from McGill University in Montreal.

In 1990, he began his professional career as Legal Adviser for the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs' Integration Office. After passing the diplomatic competition and interning in the Political Division II (Africa/Middle East), Rossier was appointed Scientific Advisor to various Federal Councilors. In 2000, he established and directed the Federal Gaming Commission's secretariat before becoming Director of the Federal Social Insurance Office in 2004. In 2012, the Federal Council appointed Rossier State Secretary of the Political Department of the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs (FDFA) and in 2017 Swiss Ambassador to Russia. His mandate in Moscow terminated end of 2020 and in February 2021, he left the FDFA.

Currently, Yves Rossier serves on the Board of Banque Cramer & Cie (Geneva), Prime Partners SA (Geneva), Zublin Immobilien Holding (Zurich), Stadler Rail Kazakhstan (Astana) and as Senior Adviser for the Centre for Humanitarian Dialogue (HD), an international NGO active in the field of mediation and conflict resolution.