



Swiss President **Alain Berset** is visiting Kenya from tomorrow. His big agenda: fighting graft together; addressing humanitarian issues and making devolution functional.



Squeezed between giant neighbours, this federal republic has been an economic and cultural powerhouse for centuries. It cascades from The Alps to the temperate plateau of Central Europe.

Official name: Swiss Confederation (Kiswahili: *Uswizi*)

Capital: Bern

Official languages: German, French, Italian, Romansh

Founded: around 1300AD, became a federal state 1848

Pop: 8.5 million

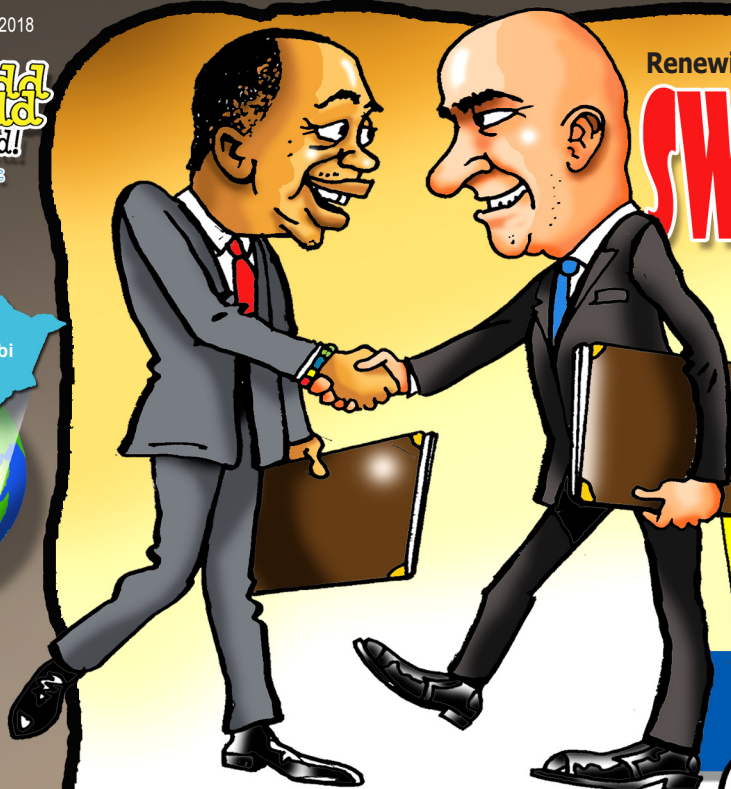
Per Capita: \$80,837

Currency: Swiss Franc (note: not Euro!)

Head of Nairobi Mission: Dr Ralf Heckner

Government:

Federation consists of 26 cantons (similar to our counties). 7-member **Federal Council** runs government headed by a president who chairs it for one year*. **Mr Berset**, 46, also heads health, social welfare, education, research and culture dockets. He was Vice President for a year before his current position. The political scientist is married with three children. ■



Renewing a long partnership

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The Kakuma Refugee Camp, established in 1992, hosts refugees from mostly South Sudan, Somalia and the DRC.

Number at camp: 185,500. Swiss Humanitarian Aid is active here. The Skills4Life Project is implemented by SwissContact.

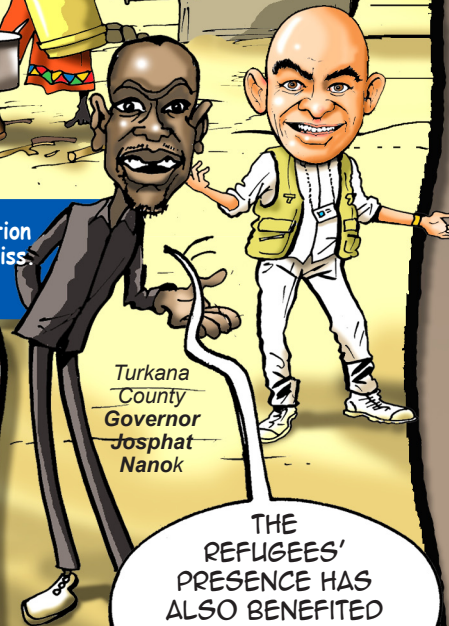
TRUST US
- WE HAVE 170 YEARS' EXPERIENCE WITH FEDERALISM!



Refugees and locals have received literacy, numeracy, finance, life skills vocational and entrepreneurship training along with psychosocial support.



Our success with Devolution has the backing of the Swiss



Turkana County Governor **Josphat Nanok**

THE REFUGEES' PRESENCE HAS ALSO BENEFITED THE LOCAL COMMUNITIES

On the Uhuru Kenyatta - Alain Berset Discussion Menu: Bilateral, Economic and Political Relations, Fight Against Graft, Healthcare (Switzerland is the home of the International Red Cross and health insurance is compulsory there). The Swiss have been in Kenya since Independence in 1963.

Repatriating the Proceeds of Crimes

The Federal Act on the Freezing and the Restitution of Illicit Assets Held by Foreign Politically Exposed Persons (PEPS), came into effect on 1 July 2016.

Previously shrouded in banking secrecy, new fundamental Swiss laws now keep out assets of criminal origin and PEPS (heads of state, government officials) who loot state funds. This supports the International Center for Asset Recovery (ICAR) and the Stolen Assets Recovery Initiative (STAR) jointly launched by the UN Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and the World Bank.

Money Back

Kenyans are naturally skeptical about their government's commitment to restitution. But the good news is that the two leaders are discussing Switzerland's readiness to return assets from scandals such as Anglo-Leasing.

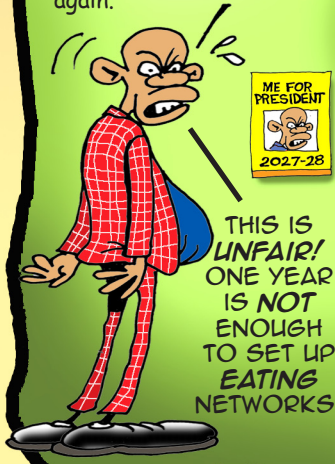


Repatriated:

\$2 billion has been returned to the countries of origin since 2002. Leading a pack of 10 is Nigeria with \$1.021 billion and Philippines (\$684 million). The World Bank estimates that \$20-40 billion is pocketed annually by corrupt public officials.

*One Year Terms

If we had a president - from each tribe, serving only one year - it would take 44 years to "satisfy" all communities and start the process all over again.



THIS IS UNFAIR! ONE YEAR IS NOT ENOUGH TO SET UP EATING NETWORKS!

SWITZERLAND CHURNS OUT SOME 180,000 TONS OF CHOCOLATE EVERY YEAR WITH FOLKS EATING ABOUT 10KG EACH ANNUALLY. 180,000 TONS OF STEEL CAN PUT UP A 100-STOREY SKYSCRAPER!



L'Ugali de Alps!

Swiss Agency for Development (SDC) has a regional office in Nairobi. Chances are that, at some point, you've been served by a Swiss-trained Kenyan chef from the 48-year old Utalii College.



CUP IT ALL FLIGHT!

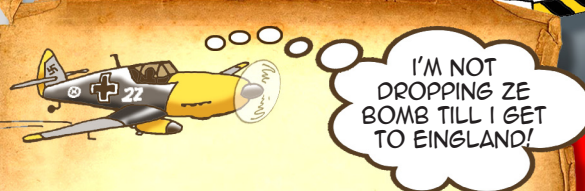


ASSET RECOVERY

WELCOME BACK!!

returned funds are managed by agencies such as the World bank

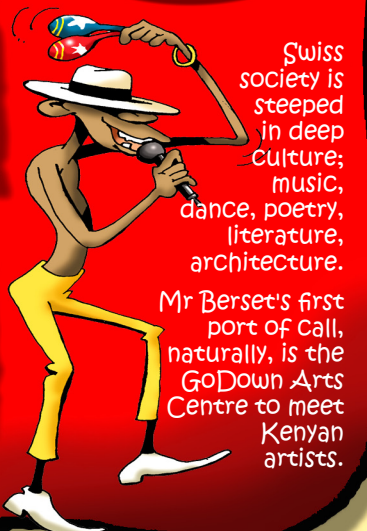
HOLD IT RIGHT THERE, OGA! YOU NO GO CHOP THIS MONEY-O!



I'M NOT DROPPING ZE BOMB TILL I GET TO ENGLAND!

Did you know...

..that Switzerland has been a leading world financial centre for over 3 centuries with the first bank established in 1741? During WWII, the country was spared by both the Allies and the Axis. The war industry needed a "war currency" and a post-war economy was critical as Europe was set to rise from ruins.



Swiss society is steeped in deep culture; music, dance, poetry, literature, architecture. Mr Berset's first port of call, naturally, is the GoDown Arts Centre to meet Kenyan artists.