Information sources for Swiss citizens abroad

1. 'Swiss Review' (www.revue.ch)

'Swiss Review' is a magazine for Swiss citizens living abroad. It is published by the Organisation of the Swiss Abroad (OSA) (www.aso.ch) on behalf of the FDFA (Consular Directorate, Relations with the Swiss Abroad). The Swiss Confederation makes a significant contribution to the costs of editing, printing and distributing the magazine.

'Swiss Review' keeps Swiss nationals living abroad up to date with the main news stories from home. It includes columns on a number of different topics, such as politics (e.g. information on proposed referendums), business, culture and society, and is published four to six times a year in English, German, French and Spanish. For Swiss citizens living in Italy, the ‘Gazzetta Svizzera’ (www.gazzettasvizzera.org) is produced 11 times a year as both an online and print publication. The 'Gazzetta' contains the lead stories from 'Swiss Review' as well as additional content.

Every issue of 'Swiss Review' contains a news.admin.ch column, which is compiled by the FDFA's Relations with the Swiss Abroad division. Somewhat like an official gazette for the Swiss abroad, it contains explanations of the laws, rights and obligations concerning Swiss citizens living abroad and also publishes important upcoming deadlines.

As a Swiss citizen living abroad, you cannot claim to have been unaware of a particular deadline or of legislation that concerns you once it has been published in 'Swiss Review'. We therefore recommend you read 'Swiss Review' attentively on a regular basis.

'Swiss Review' is available free of charge in digital form (by email and via the app) or as a print publication. Digital delivery reduces costs while also helping to protect the environment. However, if you would prefer to receive a paper copy or if you do not have an email address, you can have 'Swiss Review' delivered in print form.

Only one copy of the magazine is sent per household. You can change your form of delivery via the online desk, or contact your local Swiss representation. You can also join the email list of your embassy or consulate general and subscribe to their newsletters on business, culture, etc.

See www.revue.ch for the latest issue and the archive of all past issues.

If you change your postal or email address, please notify your representation straight away or update your address via the online desk. You will find the login and the webpages of all Swiss embassies and consulates general at www.eda.admin.ch (Representations and travel advice).
2. **swissinfo.ch** ([www.swissinfo.ch](http://www.swissinfo.ch))

Swissinfo.ch is a branch of the Swiss Broadcasting Corporation (SRG SSR). Its mission is to inform the Swiss community abroad about current events in Switzerland and to promote Swiss interests abroad. The swissinfo.ch multimedia platform gives news and information about Switzerland in 10 languages (German, French, Italian, English, Spanish, Portuguese, Arabic, Chinese, Japanese and Russian).

**swissinfo.ch reports on stories from Switzerland, about Switzerland**

The website offers daily updates on politics, business, culture, society and science & technology, together with analyses, background stories and reports in the form of text, videos, image galleries, infographics, discussion forums and reader reviews. Various in-depth features are compiled to cover certain stories in more detail. These address the topic from an overall Swiss standpoint, seeking to explain, categorise and analyse the issues in context.

The in-depth features on upcoming referendums – with background reports, results and analyses – are of particular interest to Swiss citizens living abroad. The federal elections are also covered in detail. The **Fifth Switzerland** section ([www.swissinfo.ch/5schweiz](http://www.swissinfo.ch/5schweiz)) presents articles of direct specific interest to the Swiss community abroad, such as e-voting, political representation of the Swiss abroad in Parliament, and social security.

On swissinfo.ch you can also stream Swiss public radio live and watch several TV programmes. The multimedia links are given at the end of the swissinfo.ch page.

**swissinfo.ch and social media**

You can customise the swissinfo.ch experience with its numerous Facebook pages ([www.facebook.com/swissinfo](http://www.facebook.com/swissinfo)), which now have more than 400,000 followers. You can watch video reports on YouTube ([www.youtube.com/swissinfovideos](http://www.youtube.com/swissinfovideos)) and find out about the latest swissinfo.ch articles on Twitter (@swissinfo). With the iPhone, iPad and Android apps, you can access these stories practically anywhere.

**Satellite television and radio**

SRG SSR ([www.srgssr.ch](http://www.srgssr.ch)) broadcasts its television and radio channels in Switzerland's four national languages (SRF, RTS, RTI, RTR). For copyright reasons, the television channels are encrypted. Swiss households abroad can obtain a Sat access card from SRG SSR to decode encrypted channels. The radio stations are broadcast free-to-air ([www.broadcast.ch](http://www.broadcast.ch)).

3. **Swiss newspapers and magazines**

You can find a list of all Swiss newspapers and magazines here: [www.zeitung.ch](http://www.zeitung.ch).

4. **Other links**

Federal Department of Foreign Affairs (FDFA)  
[www.eda.admin.ch](http://www.eda.admin.ch)

Presence Switzerland – Switzerland's official information portal  
[www.aboutswitzerland.org](http://www.aboutswitzerland.org)

The Swiss portal – Confederation, cantons and communes  
[www.ch.ch](http://www.ch.ch)

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