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A questionnaire on the retirement plans of the Swiss Abroad

What are your plans for retirement? Or, if you are already retired, where do you live and why? The University of Neuchâtel and the Geneva School of Social Work would like to learn about your experiences.

This autumn, a strictly confidential questionnaire will be sent by post to 10,000 Swiss Abroad all around the world, aged 55 or over. In a world where people with Swiss nationality are increasingly choosing to live elsewhere than Switzerland, the aim of this research is to better understand such developments; to see the positive factors of this life choice, but also any attendant difficulties. Another aim is to understand the links that remain with Switzerland, if any, and to learn about any related movement.

Participation in this voluntary survey is of great importance for the success of the research project. The Swiss Abroad, aged 55 years or older, who will receive the questionnaire have been chosen at random by the Federal Statistical Office. Those selected are representative of a great number of people who share the same characteristics: the same age, or the same place of residence, for example. As such, it is important that a large proportion of the people contacted participate in the survey, so that the results are as representative as possible. The research team will be delighted to receive all your reactions and replies!

The data collected from the survey will be made anonymous. This means that the names and addresses of those involved will not be made available to the research team. It will therefore not be possible to use the data to identify any respondents.

This research is being carried out by the University of Neuchâtel and the Geneva School of Social Work, within the framework of the National Centre of Competence in Research nccr – on the move project, which is dedicated to studying migration and mobility. It is funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation. This study is being conducted with the support of the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs.

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Contact: you can find more information about this project on the website ogy.de/en-nccr or via the project email address: tasurvey@nccr-onthemove.ch



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Everything you need to know about voting proposals (voting pamphlets, committees, recommendations by Parliament and the Federal Council etc.) is available at www.admin.ch/votes or via the Federal Chancellery's VoteInfo app.

On 1 July 2020, the Federal Council determined the proposals that are to be put to voters on 29 November 2020 (see ogy.de/medienmitteilung-juli):

- Federal Popular Initiative "For responsible businesses – protecting human rights and the environment";
- Federal Popular Initiative "For a ban on financing war material manufacturers".

The list of pending popular initiatives is available in German at www.bk.admin.ch > Politische Rechte > Volksinitiativen > Hängige Volksinitiativen

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