

Livia Leu biodata

Livia Leu was born in Zurich and her place of origin is Truns in the canton of Graubünden. She studied at the University of Zurich and the University of Lausanne. She holds a degree in law and was admitted to the bar in the canton of Zurich. After joining the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs (FDFA) in 1989, she completed her diplomatic service training in Bern, Paris and Geneva. She subsequently held various positions, including in the International Organisations Division, the Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the United Nations in New York, the Swiss embassy in Cairo and the Americas Division and the Africa/Middle East Division, which she headed as ambassador. From 2009 to 2013, she headed the Swiss embassy in Tehran, which also represents US interests. In August 2013, she took up her post as the Federal Council's delegate for trade agreements and head of Bilateral Economic Relations at the State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO) in Bern. From 2018 to October 2020, Livia Leu served as Swiss ambassador to France and Monaco. In October 2020, the Federal Council appointed her as FDFA state secretary and chief negotiator with the European Union.

Livia Leu is married and has two sons.