

Thomas Wüthrich

Application for Chair

Nationality: Swiss

Date of birth: 28-04-1958

Address: Uster

RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Date from: 01-10-2011 to 30-04-2023

Name and address of institution / organisation: Swiss Centre of Expertise in Prison and Probation

Area / sector: Education in Prison

Occupation title: Regional Head of Basic Education in Prison in Eastern Switzerland

Main activities and responsibilities: Implementing Basic Education, supervising 16 teachers in 10 prisons, Quality Management, Organising continuous formation for the teachers.

Education and training

Institution: University of Applied Sciences Solothurn Northwestern Switzerland

Certificates: EMBA in Non-Profit Management

Year obtained: 2005

Institution: Federal Department for Vocational Training and Technology

Certificates: Federal Diploma Teacher in Civil Education 1 History at Vocational Schools

Year obtained: 2000

Institution: University of Zurich

Certificates: Master in General History, Ethnology (Social Anthropology), Spanish Literature

Year obtained: 1991

Motivation Letter

After one year as interim president and three years as elected president of the EPEA, I would like to stand for another term of office. During my first term, we successfully organised two conferences in Bergen and Skopje.

I have also succeeded in bringing the German Association of Prison Teachers, representatives of the Austrian Ministry of Justice and the responsible institution for prison education in Luxembourg on board with the EPEA.

Over the past five years, I have also been responsible for co-editing the EPEA newsletter. Finally, I have organised and held numerous webinars.

In recent years, I have represented the EPEA at the Conference of Internationally Active NGOs (CINGO) in Strasbourg.

I have an extensive network across Europe and speak six languages.

I believe that during my term of office I have demonstrated both the ability to work as part of a team and the capacity for initiative and decision-making.