

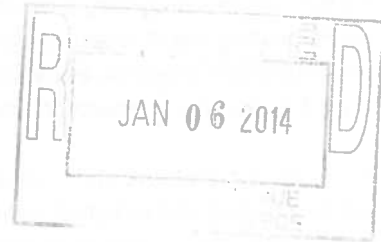


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Invitation to visit Switzerland and share the Colorado Experience

Dear Ms Brohl

The Federal Commission on Drug Issues (EKDF) is a consultative body of the Swiss Government, nominated directly by the Federal Council. The Commission is charged to council the administration on the Federal act on Narcotic Laws and works after all on questions concerning drug consumption, addiction policies, and market regulation. A main issue of this body is to assure the interlink between professionals, Cantons and Experts and governments representative. By this letter, the Commission would like to invite you in Switzerland, in order to present the Colorado model and to discuss with various partners in Swiss cities.

Several Towns have recently started to think seriously about new regulation models of the Cannabis market. The main reasons are Public Security, drug market disturbances, health of the consumers and the burden for the police and justice system. We sincerely believe that we could learn a lot by having an exchange on your experiences both on a political and a technique level.

During your visit, you would be asked to present the Colorado experience during a Conference that will be held in Basel between the 7 to 9 May. We would as well organized several exchange meeting with cities official, where the regulation of cannabis market is an issue today, mainly Zurich, Geneva, Basel and Bern. Some other meeting could also be organized with professional organizations or interested groups, in the security, health and social field. We would also be happy to organize a visit of some of our drug policy services, if that could be of interest for you (like the opiate based treatment facilities, consumption rooms and others).

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To fulfill all this program, it would be good to book at least one week in Switzerland. The exact dates could be discussed, depending on your availability. We would prefer to find dates around the conference we mentioned (so early May), but we are open to other dates. All the costs of the travel and your stay in Switzerland would be covered by ourselves.

For further communication, please contact directly the secretary of the commission, Ms Astrid Wüthrich, Secretary (astrid.wuethrich@bag.admin.ch, +41 79 513 42 54 (mobile phone), +41 31 323 3826), who will be glad to answer all the questions you may have.

Looking forward to hearing from you

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