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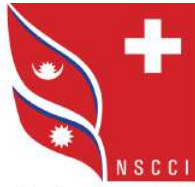
The Nepal Swiss Chamber of commerce and Industry has been established to promote the existing friendly ties between the two countries Switzerland and Nepal and create a new platform to develop new trade opportunities that benefits both nations in terms of business, culture and social exchange of knowledge and ideas.

Since 1950s the two countries have worked significantly towards development cooperation after signing the bilateral agreement governing technical cooperation. In terms of economic and trade relations direct Swiss investments in Nepal are minimal. As per the Federal department of Foreign Affairs FDFA, Swiss Exports to Nepal mainly comprises of time pieces, vehicles, pharmaceutical products and machinery and Swiss imports to Nepal consists of mainly textile and clothing so far.

Recently established in year 2015, NSCCI strives to explore and open potential new trade and investment opportunities in Nepal, it shall play a vital role in providing information, consultation and promotional services for setting up joint venture investments in Nepal through the existing bi-lateral and friendly ties between the two countries.

Objectives of NSCCI

- The main objective is to promote trade and investment between Nepal and Switzerland through the following:
- To be a representing body of trade between two countries for government agencies in Nepal and Switzerland
- To promote and arrange contact with industrialists and business professionals groups of Nepal and Switzerland.
- To organize and facilitate exchange of visits from professional groups or individuals of either country to develop economic relations and promote trade services between the two countries.
- To promote collective interest of potential business and industrial group of Nepal and Switzerland.
- To make arrangement to conduct research in industrial commercial economic matter and to exchange and publicize relevant data.
- To organize meetings to promote industry, trade, technology, transfer and joint ventures between Nepal and Switzerland.
- To be able to provide legal counsel in matters relating to the industry, labor, and fiscal laws of Nepal.
- To develop and promote tourism of both Nepal and Switzerland.



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Patron & Hon. President

**Danielle Meuwly
Swiss Ambassador to Nepal**

Danielle Meuwly, born 1966, originally from Fribourg, Switzerland, holds a doctorate in economics from the university of Fribourg and a degree in advanced European studies from the college of Europe.

In 1997, she joined the international economic relations division at the federal office for foreign economic affairs. at the same time, from 1999 to 2001, Ms. Meuwly continued to teach at the university of Fribourg. in 2002, she joined the state secretariat for economic affairs (seco) as deputy head leading the macroeconomic support section of the economic cooperation and development service center. Ms. Meuwly was appointed as personal advisor to federal councilor joseph deiss for his presidential year in 2004. She was then seconded from 2005 to 2009 to the office of the executive director for Switzerland at the world bank in Washington dc as principal advisor. in march 2009, Ms. Meuwly was transferred to the permanent delegation to the organization for economic co-operation and development (oecd) in Paris as a delegate to the development assistance committee (dac), a committee of which she assumed the vice-presidency. in September 2010, Ms. Meuwly joined the cabinet of joseph deiss, then president of the un general assembly in New York, as personal adviser. from November 2011, still on secondment from seco, Ms. Meuwly held the position of deputy head of cooperation in Tunis.

In September 2015, Ms. Meuwly joined the Swiss agency for development and cooperation (sdc) of the federal department of foreign affairs (fdfa) and was appointed as deputy head of mission in Bishkek. in 2019, she was appointed as head of cooperation for the south Caucasus, based in Tbilisi. on 5th September 2023, Ms. Meuwly arrived in Nepal as ambassador of Switzerland to Nepal.



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ABOUT NSCCI

Mission and Vision

- Mission: To foster economic cooperation, Facilitate trade, and support sustainable business partnerships between Nepal and Switzerland.
- Vision: To act as a dynamic hub that bridges economic and cultural gaps, enabling stronger ties between the two nations.

Key Objectives

- Enhance bilateral trade by organizing events, exhibitions, and trade missions.
- Promote investments in renewable energy, education, and tourism.
- Strengthen networking opportunities for Swiss and Nepali businesses.
- Act as a voice for member interests in policy and regulatory matters.
- Support development initiatives that align with sustainable growth.

Core Values

- Integrity: Upholding transparency and ethical standards in all activities.
- Collaboration: Promoting teamwork among members and stakeholders.
- Innovation: Encouraging modern, sustainable business practices.
- Sustainability: Advocating for environmentally responsible approaches.

Achievements

- Successfully co-hosted trade fairs and business delegations.
- Facilitated investments in Nepal's hydropower and tourism sectors.
- Organized Roche webinars on healthcare advancements.
- Played a key role in initiatives like the Fact-Finding Missions for Swiss investors.
- Advocated for policy changes to enhance trade between Nepal and Switzerland.
- Strengthened governance through detailed sub-committees for Education, Health, Aviation, and Mountaineering.



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Services Offered

- Business consultancy for market entry in Nepal and Switzerland.
- Organizing trade missions, networking events, and cultural exchanges.
- Supporting legal and regulatory insights for investment projects.
- Facilitating B2B connections and bilateral agreements.

Highlights by Year:

- 2021: Focused on sub-committee formation, membership expansion, and initial collaborations with Swiss Embassy.
- 2022: Introduced the 1st Fact-Finding Mission (FFM) and established provincial committees.
- 2023: Prioritized panel discussions, certificate distributions, and new partnerships.
- 2024: Emphasis on activity calendars, Swiss Club formation, and 2nd FFM preparations.

NSCCI Life Members

There are currently 34 life members categorized as follows:

- Education Sector: 6
- Hotel/Tourism Sector: 2
- Medical Sector: 4
- Infrastructure Sector: 2
- IT/Digital Platform Sector: 4
- Dairy Sector: 1
- Manufacturing Sector: 1
- Others Sector: 9
- Trade Industry: 3
- Timepiece Specialist: 1
- Health & Wellness: 1

Membership Benefits

- Access to exclusive events and trade delegations.
- Representation in bilateral trade negotiations.
- Networking with Swiss and Nepali business leaders.
- Resources and insights into market trends and trade policies.



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Meetings Conducted

Total Meetings (2021-2024):

- 38 Board Meetings conducted at venues including GATE College, Hotel Park Village, and the Embassy of Switzerland in Nepal.

Membership Initiatives

- Drive for provincial expansion in Province 1 via collaborations with the Morang Chamber of Commerce.
- Strengthened networks by integrating life members into the board, ensuring active governance and representation.

Strategic Partnerships

- Swiss Contact: Joint initiatives promoting SME development and skill-building programs.
- Idea Studio Nepal: Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed to foster entrepreneurship and innovation.
- Swiss Nepal Chamber of Commerce in Zurich: Strengthened bilateral business ties through sister chamber collaborations.

Events Highlight

2021-2024



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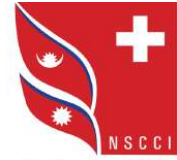


Celebrating 30 Years of Impact!

One of our esteemed life member and strategic partner, Swiss Contact, celebrates three decades of its Senior Expert Contact (SEC) program in Nepal—a remarkable testament to collaboration. Together, we are committed to shaping a sustainable future for Nepal's private sector.

Our President, Mr. Khem Raj Lakai, highlights the transformation of hospitality through the principles of knowing, doing, and being. He also emphasizes the enduring value of Swiss rigor and reflects on the challenges posed by the migration of youth seeking better opportunities abroad.

EVENTS HIGHLIGHT



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Investment Meetup For: Dobhan Khola Hydropower Project

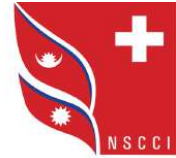


Dobhan Khola Hydropower Project located in Dharche Gaupalika, Gorkha. Dobhan Khola Project is Planned to Develop as Peaking Run of River Scheme. As per the survey license, installed capacity of the plant is 16 MW. This capacity is increased to 24.5 MW after optimization and detail study.

A glimpse of the investment meet for the Dobhan Khola Hydropower Project held at GATE college.

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Networking Dinner hosted by the Swiss Embassy in Nepal, held on the eve of the second Fact-Finding Mission, Brought together NSCCI executive board member for meaningful discussion and collaboration.



Sushil Thapa, Vice President and Spokesperson of NSCCI, facilitated the dialogue between the Roche Delegate and USAID during the Second Fact-Finding Mission organized by the Embassy of Switzerland in Nepal.

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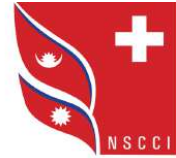


NSCCI board members were happy to be part of the 2nd Fact Finding Mission! President Khem Lakai highlights Nepal Swiss Chamber of Commerce's role. It's time to shift our focus from aid to trade. Welcoming esteemed global players like Ferring Pharmaceuticals, Roche Diagnostics, Swiss Re, and Stone Step.



Interaction with Dr. Dig Vijay Mahat on cancer research.

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Round Table Discussion with Private sectors of Nepal and Dr. Philippe Schneuwly, CEO Swiss contact.



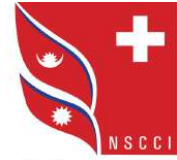
Beyond the Headlines: Going Deeper into Health Stories



Certificate Distribution Ceremony in the presence of H.E. Elisabeth von Capeller, Ambassador of Switzerland to Nepal and Patron of NSCCI.

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Voice from the ground” Vice-President Sushil Thapa shared his experience doing business with a swiss healthcare company in Nepal.



NSCCI, and Idea Studio Nepal in Kathmandu held a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signing ceremony on the afternoon of 21st June 2022 at the Global Academy of Hospitality and Tourism Education (GATE) college.



NSCCI Board meeting with Her Excellency, Elisabeth von Capeller, Ambassador of Switzerland to Nepal, to plan the activity for the year 2022.

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