

Ralph Lewin

Dr Ralph Lewin has been Vice-President of the Swiss Federation of Jewish Communities SIG since Mai 2024. Previously, from October 2020, he served as the federation's President. The SIG is the umbrella association of 18 Jewish communities in Switzerland. As Vice-President, together with his colleagues on the SIG's Board of Directors, Lewin is responsible for representing Jewish interests in Switzerland in the political, social and media domains.

Ralph Lewin, born in 1953 and raised in Basel, is a member of the Israelitische Gemeinde Basel IGB and spent several years as president of the Jewish student association in Basel. He completed his studies in Economics and Sociology with a Doctorate in Economics from the University of Basel and has held various roles, including management positions, at the cantonal and national levels.

After a postdoctoral post at the University of Basel, which had a focus on economic policy, he became a research assistant at the Swiss National Bank in Zurich in 1981 and then a member of the Swiss delegation at the OECD in Paris. From 1986, he served as Director of the Basel public health insurance fund (Öffentliche Krankenkasse Basel) and President of the association of public health insurance funds in Switzerland (Verband Öffentlicher Krankenkassen der Schweiz). Finally, in 1996, Ralph Lewin became a councillor for the canton of Basel-Stadt as a member of the Social-Democratic Party of Basel-Stadt, where he was responsible for the Department of Economic and Social Affairs from 1997 to 2008. During this period, he was also a member or president, respectively, of various boards of directors and trustees, including the boards of Basel's public transport enterprise, the social care organisation for the city of Basel and the health insurance company Sympany.

After his time in cantonal government, he focused his energies on serving as a board member of companies and associations. In this vein, he was Chair of the board of directors of both Bank Cler (formerly Bank Coop AG) and Jüdische Medien AG. Besides his position as SIG President, he is currently President of the public transport association 'Tarifverbund Nordwestschweiz TNW'.

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Summary

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