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Federal Council appoints Thomas Moser as new Alternate Member of the SNB Governing Board

At its meeting of 4 November 2009, the Swiss Federal Council appointed Thomas Moser as the new Alternate Member of the Governing Board, following the proposal of the Bank Council. He will succeed Ulrich Kohli in Department I as the Alternate Member of the Governing Board and Head of International Affairs – following the latter's retirement – with effect from 1 January 2010.

Thomas Moser, born in 1967, has been the Swiss Executive Director to the International Monetary Fund (IMF) since 1 May 2006. He completed his studies in 1997 with a Doctorate in Economics (*Dr. oec. publ.*) from the University of Zurich. Between 1994 and 1996, he worked as a teaching and research assistant at the Institute for Empirical Research in Economics at the University of Zurich, and between 1996 and 1999, as an economist at the KOF Swiss Economic Institute (formerly Swiss Institute for Business Cycle Research) at ETH Zurich. In 1999, he joined the Swiss National Bank as a senior economist in the International Monetary Relations unit. Between 2001 and 2004, he worked at the IMF in Washington; initially as an Advisor and, from 2002, as a Senior Advisor to the Swiss Executive Director. After the mandatory rotation at the IMF, he returned from Washington in 2004 and worked at the SNB in Zurich as Assistant Director and Deputy Head of International Research and Technical Assistance.

Department I of the SNB is located mainly in Zurich and comprises International Affairs (International Research and Technical Assistance, International Monetary Relations), Economic Affairs (Research, Economic Analysis, Statistics), Legal and Property Services (Legal Services, Pension Fund, Premises and Technical Services), the Secretariat General, Regional Economic Relations, Human Resources and Communications.