



Curriculum vitae

Ursula Renold, born November 19, 1961, single

Professional Experience

- 2005 - Director of the Federal Office for Professional Education and Technology (OPET) (Ministry of Economics)
- 2001 – 2005 Deputy Director of the Federal Office for Professional Education and Technology (OPET) and Head of the Department for Professional Education
- 2000 – 2005 Director of the Swiss Pedagogical Institute for Vocational Education (SPIVE), which has regional institutes in Lausanne, Lugano und Zollikofen; the Institute is member of the Federal Office for Professional Education and Technology
- 1999 – 2000 Director of Frey Academy Zurich, Centre of Competence in Teachers Training and Quality Insurance
- 1995 – 1998 Director of Human Resources, Frey Academy Zurich, Centre of Competence in Teachers Training and Quality Insurance
- 1992 – 1994 Senior Fellow (Oberassistentin) at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich (ETHZ), Institute for Behavioural Sciences and Lecturer in Economics and Sociology at the AKAD
- 1990 – 1992 Director of AKAD, Commercial College, Zurich
- § Design and implementation of continuous education courses for teaching staff in primary schools, grammar schools, secondary schools, institutes of further education, universities and vocational schools (individual coaching, courses, teacher groups, school groups), as based from 1994 to June 2000 at the Frey Academy Zurich, a spin off of the Institute for Behavioural Sciences, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich (ETHZ)
- § 8 books and 14 articles, mainly on school autonomy, history of educational systems and teacher training (approx. 50% empirical and 50% historical-conceptual research)
- § Larger research projects
- a) Innovation and Efficiency in the Educational System (monitoring);
 - b) Systemic Reorganisation and Individual Autonomy in Post-university Professional Education (Dept. of Medicine, University of Basle)

Education:

Doctorate from University of Bern, Switzerland: socio-economic thesis on the history of education

Degree in History, Economics and Sociology at the University of Zurich, Switzerland