

## Andreas Gross

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Andreas Gross (1952, Kobe, Japan) is a member of the Socialist Swiss Party. He worked as a journalist and assistant at the University of Bern and at the University of Lausanne, where he graduated in Political Science. He co-founded the «atelier pour la démocratie directe» in Zurich in 1988 and «eurotopia» in 1990. He is one of the founders of the *Group pour une Suisse sans armée*. He was elected at the Parliament of the city of Zurich in 1986, and he was elected to the National Council in 1991. During his charge, together with Bâlois Remo Gysin, he insisted on the adhesion of Switzerland to the ONU, first relaunching the parliamentary process and then launching a popular initiative on this topic. In June 2003 he was elected as a special reporter about the political situation in Tchétchénie by the l'Assemblée parlementaire du Conseil de l'Europe. Between 2008 and 2016 he is the first Swiss man in charge of a group into the assemblée parlementaire du Conseil de l'Europe in Strasbourg.