

State Secretary

Mario Gattiker

Mario Gattiker was born in 1956 in Berne. He graduated from the law department of Bern University in 1983. From 1984 to 2000, Mr. Gattiker worked for various Swiss charities and relief organizations. In 2001 he became head of both the Secretariat of the Federal Commission for Foreigners and the newly created Integration Section at the Federal Aliens Office. In 2003 Mr. Gattiker was elected vice president and head of the Integration and Citizenship Department at the Federal Office of Immigration, Integration and Emigration.

Mr. Gattiker was head of the Directorate for Work, Integration and Citizenship at the Federal Office for Migration from 2005. In February 2011 he became head of the Directorate of Immigration and Integration, assuming, in addition, the position of deputy director in December 2010. On 1 January 2012 he was appointed director of the Federal Office for Migration, since 1 January 2015 he is State Secretary of the new State Secretariat for Migration (SEM).

Mr. Gattiker is married and has four children.