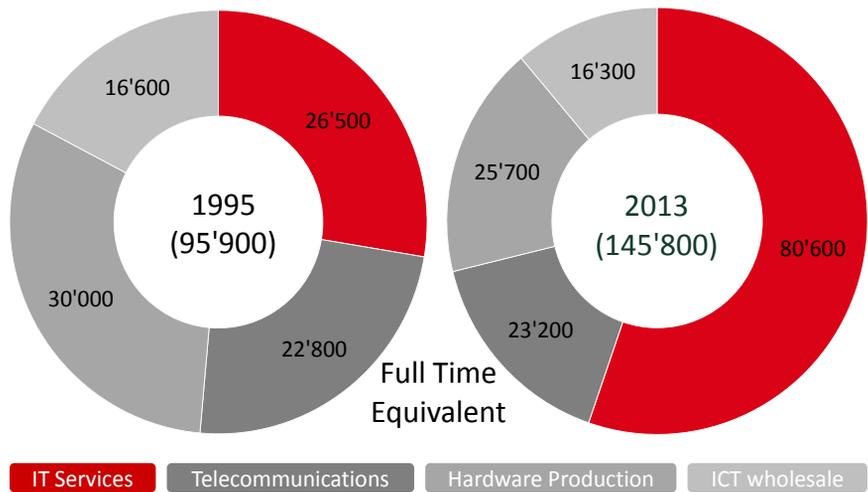


The ICT Market in Switzerland: What to Expect?

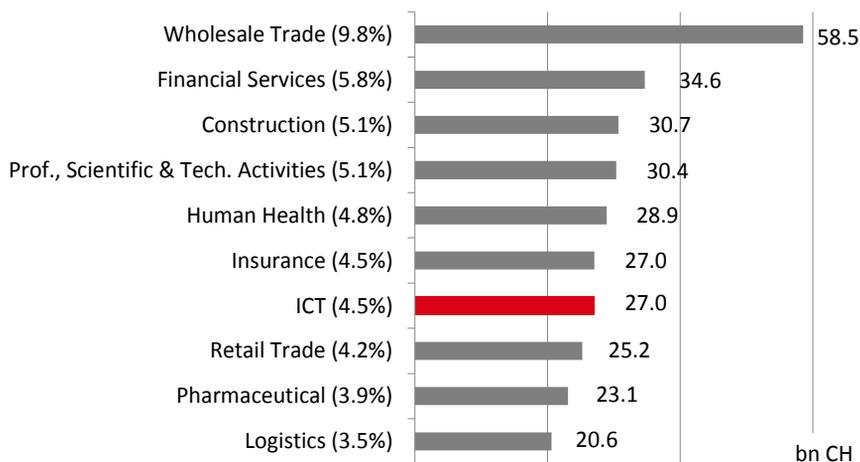
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The ICT Sector in Switzerland & How It Changed



Added Value by Sectors in Switzerland, 2011



Source: BFS (VGR 2011, Informationsgesellschaft 2013). Calculations & Figure: Econlab 2014.

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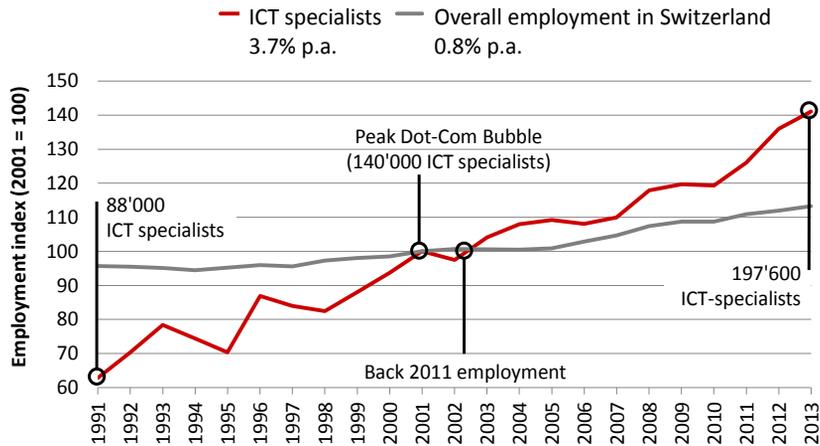
High-End ICT Infrastructure in Switzerland

- Switzerland has the highest (wired) broadband penetration among all OECD countries in 2013¹:
 - #1 Switzerland: 44.9 per 100 inhabitants
 - OECD-average: 27.0 per 100 inhabitants
 - #30 Poland 15.6 per 100 inhabitants
- Switzerland's business sector has the 2nd highest (wired) broadband penetration rate among all EU15 countries in 2011²
 - #1 Finland: 99% of all companies with 10 or more employees
 - #2 Switzerland: 98%
 - EU-15-average: 93%
- Switzerland's mobile subscriptions are 5th highest in the world in 2012¹
 - #1 Finland (172 per 100 inhabitants), #5 Switzerland (130)

¹ Source: OECD (2014): Key ICT Indicators
² EU data from 2013. Source: Eurostat (2013), KOF-Panelumfrage 2011

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Growth of ICT Employment in Switzerland



Source: BFS SAKE 1991-2013. Calculations & Figure: Econlab 2014

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Where do the ICT specialists work?

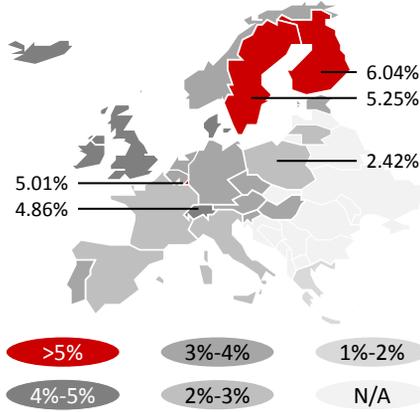
Sectors	ICT employment	Share of ICT employment
IT services	49'000	25%
Financial services	13'800	7%
Telecommunications	12'100	6%
IT wholesale & hardware production	9'800	5%
Management consultancy	9'700	5%
Public sector (incl. social security, military)	8'400	4%
Wholesale (excl. ICT and motor vehicles)	6'800	3%
Education	6'000	3%
Other professional, scientific & tech. activities	5'600	3%
Retail trade (excl. motor vehicles)	5'200	3%
Total top ten 10 sectors	126'300	64%
Other sectors	71'300	36%

Source: BFS SAKE 2013. Calculations: Econlab 2014

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The Importance of the ICT Labour to Switzerland

- Share of ICT specialists¹ of total employment, 2014



- High skilled ICT labour at work in Switzerland:

- Almost twice the share of academics compared to Swiss average
- Strong vocational training ensures hands-on experienced skilled labour
- Shortage of skilled ICT labour in Switzerland [14'000 > 2022]
 - IT unemployment rate at 2.0% (national average of 3.0%)²
 - ICT immigration rate almost twice high as national average

¹Source:OECD Digital Economy Outlook 2014. Calculations & Figure: IWSB 2015.
²Source:SECO AMSTAT 2014, BFS SAKE 2014. Calculations: IWSB 2015

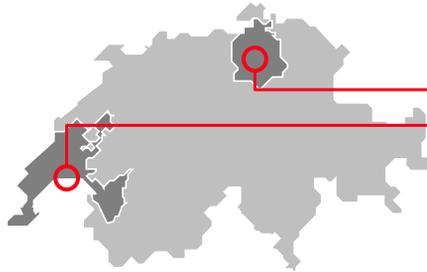
Swiss Imports of ICT Services by Country, 2014

- Switzerland imports ICT services worth 12.7bn CHF¹
- Europe is the main supplier with 55% (7.0bn CHF)

#	Country	Value in swiss francs (CHF)
1	Germany	2.3bn
2	United Kingdom	1.1bn
3	France	754m
4	Ireland	605m
5	Netherlands	348m
9	Poland	145m

¹Source:Swiss National Bank (Balance of Payments) 2014. Calculations: IWSB

ICT Clusters in Switzerland



- Elite universities in computer science [Times Ranking]
 - #8 ETH Zurich
 - #22 EPF Lausanne
- Most dynamic ICT regions:
 1. Zurich (34% of all ICT specialists work here)
 2. Lausanne/Geneva
- European Research HQ in Zurich: IBM, Google, Disney Research

¹ Times Higher Education World University Ranking for Engineering and Technology (2013/2014)

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Conclusions

- Main business opportunity for Polish firms
 - Skilled ICT labour shortage that won't be solved within the next decade
 - Software engineers are most sought after specialists
 - Main demand by other sectors than the core ICT sector
- Main market entry strategy
 - Strategic alliances with Swiss ICT firms
 - Offering sourcing services to mitigate the skilled labour shortage
 - Focussing on providing services to the non-traditional ICT sectors
- Supporting organisation: Switzerland Global Enterprise

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