



PRESS CONFERENCE & ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

# Save the Date

## Why do Swiss people have fewer children?

Presentation and discussion of new findings  
from a Swiss University Survey



9 June 2026  
From 3 PM to 5 PM



Careum Auditorium  
Pestalozzistrasse 11, 8032 Zurich



The event will be in German  
simultaneous translation in English



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14:15-15:00

Welcome coffee

## Introduction

**Silvia Misiti**, Director IBSA Foundation for scientific research

Viewing of the trailer for the film "La luce attesa" with commentary  
**Marco Poloni**, Director of the CISA Film Academy



## Input presentation

Presentation of the results of the survey "Parenthood in Switzerland - A Report on (In)Fertility and Childlessness"

**Professor Jörg Rössel, PhD**, Department of Sociology, University of Zurich and **Maila Mertens**, URPP Human Reproduction Reloaded, Faculty of Law, University of Zurich.



## Roundtable discussion

» **Professor Jörg Rössel, PhD**, Department of Sociology, University of Zurich

» **Professor Bruno Imthurn MD**, Member of the Scientific Board of IBSA Foundation, Full Professor emeritus for Reproductive Medicine and Gynecological Endocrinology, University of Zurich.

» **lic. iur. Katja Christ**, first Vice-President of the national Council, Vice-President of the Greenliberal Party, Member of the committee of science, education and culture

» **Reto Schumacher**, Demographer and Project Manager at Statistique Vaud, Department of Agriculture, Sustainability, Climate and Digitalisation, Canton of Vaud

» **Ursina Kuhn**, Senior Researcher, FORS – Swiss Centre of Expertise in the Social Sciences, and LIVES – Swiss Centre of Expertise in Life Course Research



Q&A

Discussion and closing session



The event will be moderated by **Marina Villa**, journalist and presenter.