

Press Release

Swiss Romande leads in Advertised Jobs with +6.8% Growth

Zurich, Wednesday, 21 February 2018. According to the Michael Page Swiss Job Index, the Swiss Romande led the growth in advertised jobs with a monthly growth of +6.8% (January 2018 - February 2018). Monthly advertised jobs grew in the German speaking region by +2.2%. Across Switzerland monthly growth was +2.9% with year-on-year growth at +23.9% (February 2017 –February 2018), ahead of the average growth over the last 3 years of +19.1%, for the same period.

“We’re seeing a strong start to the year”, said Nicolai Mikkelsen, Executive Director, Michael Page, “What is especially encouraging is that demand is spread across a number of sectors including financial services, pharma, and IT as well as in business administration related to the post-holiday commencement of the business year”.

Winning Job Categories	Monthly Growth (Jan 2018 – Feb 2018)	Year-on-Year Growth (Feb 2017 – Feb 2018)
1. Analysts	+13.5%	+24.8%
2. Administration Managers	+9.8%	+18.0%
3. Risk Managers	+7.4%	+10.3%
4. IT Specialists	+5.4%	+63.8%
5. Pharma, Chemie and Research Specialists	+5.3%	+24.1%

The Mid region (BE, FR, JU, NE, SO) recorded the greatest growth with +6.5% and +51.4% monthly and year-on-year respectively.

Regions	Monthly Growth (Jan 2018 – Feb 2018)	Year-on-Year Growth (Feb 2017 – Feb 2018)
Mid (BE, FR, JU, NE, SO)	+6.5%	+51.4%
Lake Geneva (GE, VD, VS)	+6.9%	+21.2%
Zurich (ZH)	+5.4%	+17.2%
North (AG, BL, BS)	+1.3%	+26.8%
Central (LU, NW, OW, SZ, UR, ZG)	+1.3%	+10.0%
East (AI, AR, GL, GR, SG, SH, TG)	-3.2%	+14.3%

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Michael Page Swiss Job Index

The Michael Page Swiss Job Index measures the number of advertised vacancies on company sites throughout Switzerland. Introduced in January 2012, the Swiss Job Index provides a unique, comprehensive overview of the Swiss labour market and the most important monthly trends.

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