

# Press Release

## Massive growth in Advertised Logistics and IT Jobs

**Zurich, 22 June 2017.** According to the Michael Page Swiss Job Index, the number of jobs advertised throughout Switzerland grew by +14.2% year-on-year (June 2016 - June 2017) and +1.2% between May and June 2017. This continues the unbroken positive growth trend in advertised job vacancies since January 2017.

The increase in advertised jobs was led by the transport, logistics and supply chain industry with year-on-year growth of up to +33.6% and monthly growth of +9.2%, depending on the type of job. The IT sector continued to boom, especially for systems specialists. Advertised jobs for systems specialists grew by +52.8% growth (YOY) and +6.6% between May and June 2017.

### Top Job Categories

Winning Job Categories	Monthly Growth (May – June 2017)	Year-on-Year Growth (June 2016 – June 2017)
1. Transport and Logistics Specialists	+9.2%	+33.6%
2. Inventory Planners	+7.0%	+31.5%
3. IT (systems specialists)	+6.6%	+52.8%
4. Export Specialists	+6.4%	+23.4%
5. Purchasing Specialists	+5.8%	+11.2%

*“The strong demand for logistics specialists is driven by both the increase in exports as well as the demand for customers to shop across all channels – online, instore with scanning and traditional checkout options. This has made supply chain jobs more important and increased the demand for ERP systems specialists to ensure closer integration between sales, planning, manufacturing and delivery. In addition, companies are increasingly consolidating their supply chain and logistics hubs in Switzerland, due to its recognised leadership in this field as well as the ability to locally source well qualified and experienced candidates.”* said Nicolai Mikkelsen, Director, Michael Page.

The German speaking region grew by +1.6% compared with the Swiss Romande (-1.0%). The Mid-region showed the highest monthly growth in advertised jobs (+3.1%) compared with the Lake Geneva region which posted a decline in advertised jobs (-2.3%).

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Regions	Monthly Growth (May – June 2017)	Year-on-Year Growth (June 2016 – June 2017)
Mid (BE, FR, JU, NE, SO)	+3.1%	+24.5%
East (AI, AR, GL, GR, SG, SH, TG)	+1.9%	+21.0%
North (AG, BL, BS)	+1.8%	+18.9%
Zurich (ZH)	+0.9%	+25.7%
Central (LU, NW, OW, SZ, UR, ZG)	+0.5%	+12.8%
Lake Geneva (GE, VD, VS)	-2.3%	+24.7%

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## Michael Page Swiss Job Index

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