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Swiss IT jobs buck the international trend: 7.5% growth in advertised jobs

Zurich/Geneva, 30 November 2022. As major international tech firms lay off thousands of staff, the Swiss IT job market has rebounded with an average of +7.5% growth in advertised jobs across this sector. According to the Michael Page Swiss Job Index, the IT Sector accounted for the top 10 advertised jobs between October and November 2022.

Demand was particularly high for IT support specialists, systems, telecommunication and database specialists, IT administrators as well as developers.

Winning Job Categories	Monthly Growth (Oct. 2022 – Nov. 2022)	Year-on-Year Growth (Nov. 2021 – Nov. 2022)
IT Support specialists	+10.7%	+13.4%
2. Software testers	+10.6%	+13.1%
3. System specialists	+10.0%	+0.5%
Telecommunications specialists (e.g. VOIP)	+9.8%	-2.2%
5. IT Administrators	+9.2%	+11.5%
6. Database specialists	+7.7%	-0.3%
7. Developers and programmers	+7.4%	+14.9%
8. Information Managers	+5.6%	+18.2%
Internet and cloud specialists	+6.3%	-30.3%
10. IT Security	+5.2%	+12.0%

"Many companies have now finalised their IT budgets for 2023 and have commenced their recruitment as soon as possible – given the competition for IT specialists. The IT sector is one of the tightest candidate markets. Those employers who do not offer home office and hybrid working options are unlikely to attract IT talent", said Yannick Coulange, Managing Director, Page Group Switzerland.

Across Switzerland advertised jobs showed a monthly growth of +1.4% (October – November 2022). Advertised jobs increased on a year-on-year basis by +14.4% (November 2021 - November 2022). In the German-speaking region, which accounts for nine out of ten advertised jobs, the monthly advertised jobs rose by +2.0%. The Swiss Romande recorded a monthly decline in advertised jobs of -2.6%.

Canton Zurich, which is known as an IT-hotspot, recorded the highest gains with +4.0% and +13.8% monthly and year-on-year respectively.

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Regions	Monthly Growth (Oct. 2022 – Nov. 2022)	Year-on-Year Growth (Nov. 2021 – Nov. 2022)
Zurich (ZH)	+4.0%	+13.8%
North (AG, BL, BS)	+3.4%	+22.2%
Central (LU, NW, OW, SZ, UR, ZG)	+1.2%	+18.6%
East (AI, AR, GL, GR, SG, SH, TG)	+0.9%	+10.5%
Mid (BE, FR, JU, NE, SO)	+0.1%	+13.7%
Lake Geneva (GE, VD, VS)	-3.0%	+9.4%

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Michael Page Swiss Job Index

The Michael Page Swiss Job Index measures the number of advertised vacancies on company and recruitment 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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