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15.1% Year-on-Year Growth in Advertised Jobs

Zurich, Wednesday, 22 May 2019. According to the Michael Page Swiss Job Index, advertised jobs showed a yearly growth of +15.1% across Switzerland (May 2018 – May 2019). Monthly growth (April–May 2019) in advertised jobs declined by -1.0%. The German speaking region, which accounts for 9 out of 10 advertised jobs, experienced a monthly decline in advertised jobs of -1.1%. The level of advertised jobs in Swiss Romande declined by -0.3% between April and May. Year-on-year growth in both regions increased; with Zurich showing a growth of +13.4% (May 2018 – May 2019) and Geneva experiencing a + 24.6% growth over the same period.

Insurance roles showed the highest monthly growth followed by specialisations in health and life sciences, private banking, IT support, as well as transport and logistics.

Winning Job Categories	Monthly Growth (April 2019 – May 2019)	Year-on-Year Growth (May 2018 – May 2019)
1. Insurance Specialists	+7.7%	+1.5%
2. Healthcare & Life Sciences Specialists	+4.4%	+10.9%
3. Private Banking Specialists	+4.0%	+0.1%
4. IT Support Specialists	+3.2%	+46.6%
5. Transport & Logistics Specialists	+2.9%	+34.5%

"We see strong demand for specialists in the health and life sciences sector including chemists and other scientists. The demand for insurance specialists is seasonally driven as is the post-bonus season in private banking", said Nicolai Mikkelsen, Executive Director, Michael Page,

The Mid-Region (BE, FR, JU, NE, SO) was the only region to show a positive monthly growth (+2.5%).

Regions	Monthly Growth (April 2019 – May 2019)	Year-on-Year Growth (May 2018 – May 2019)
Mid (BE, FR, JU, NE, SO)	+2.5%	+12.5%
Lake Geneva (GE, VD, VS)	-1.1%	+21.5%
North (AG, BL, BS)	-1.7%	+13.6%
East (AI, AR, GL, GR, SG, SH, TG)	-2.0%	+26.6%
Central (LU, NW, OW, SZ, UR, ZG)	-2.4%	+16.1%
Zurich (ZH)	-2.9%	+3.5%

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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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