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Barbara Haering studied at the Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich. She has a doctorate in environmental sciences and received an honoree doctorate in political science from the University of Lausanne. She is Director of econcept Inc., a private think tank and consultancy with 25 co-workers based in Zurich specializing in strategic planning, environmental policies and knowledge management. Barbara Haering chairs the Board of Foundation of the Institute for Advanced Studies in Public Administration in Lausanne (IDHEAP) and is member of the European Research Area Board of the EC as well as member of the Board of the Federal Institutes of Technology (ETH Domain). She has been member of the National Parliament of Switzerland from 1990 until 2007. In this capacity she chaired the Committee on Science, Education and Culture as well as the Defense Committee and was Vice-President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the OSCE.

*Languages:* Barbara Haering has a written and spoken fluency in German, English and French, good knowledge of Italian and good passive knowledge of Spanish.

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