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Swiss Cyber Security Days 2026: Embracing digital sovereignty

Swiss Cyber Security Days (SCSD) will take place for the seventh time on 17 and 18 February 2026. On the main and tech stages of the congress area, leading national and international speakers will spend two days highlighting the opportunities and challenges of cyberspace and new technologies such as artificial intelligence and quantum computing. In addition, many exhibitors in the BERNEXPO exhibition halls will once again be offering concrete solutions and products from the fields of security and new technologies.

We live in a world where data, code and digital infrastructures are the new building blocks of power, freedom and self-determination. 'Digital Sovereignty – The New Frontier' means that we ourselves determine and actively control our digital infrastructures. This is not about isolation, but about real choices, autonomy, transparency and freedom. The motto of SCSD 2026 extends an invitation to explore the frontier of digital self-determination.

Digital sovereignty means self-determination and freedom

It is a call to actively participate in shaping the future. 'Digital sovereignty is not a question of isolation, but of self-determination. We must not delegate this responsibility, but actively exercise it,' says Nik Gugger, Member of the National Council and President of the SCSD.

We are therefore looking forward to two days of high-calibre content: Federal Chancellor Viktor Rossi will give the opening speech. In addition, Florian Schütz, Director of the Federal Office for Cybersecurity, will give a keynote speech on how Switzerland's cyber resilience can be increased collectively. At the heart of SCSD 2026 is a three-hour focus on digital sovereignty, led by one of Europe's clearest and most courageous voices, Dr Cristina Caffarra. Together with Nextcloud, Eurostack and European and Swiss partners, we are developing a compelling vision of why digital sovereignty is not only necessary, but also attractive and forward-looking. Also participating are NATO, Dr Jean-Marc Rickli from the Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP), the FBI, Prof. Dr Touradj Ebrahimi from EPFL, and the latest findings from the fields of e-ID, Al security and quantum computing. Another highlight will be the contribution by Prof. Dr. Dr. Oliver Hoffmann. His research focuses intensively on the psychological conditions for sustainable work and the effects of artificial intelligence on our self-image.

New SME Zone and renowned exhibitors

The backbone of the Swiss economy – SMEs – is also particularly prominent. Those who understand and control their own IT infrastructure not only protect their business, but also gain freedom: the freedom to choose, change and combine technologies. For SMEs, digital sovereignty is becoming a beacon that guides them through the fog of risk, dependency and growing pressure. The new SME Zone, created specifically for this purpose, takes this into account and connects SMEs with relevant IT service providers. Here, decision-makers meet experienced IT and security specialists who present practical tools, solutions and best practices. The zone offers guidance, inspires new partnerships and accompanies companies on their way to a secure, digital future.

In the Start-up Zone, young companies showcase their innovative cyber security solutions and engage in direct exchange with potential partners, investors and trade visitors. Together with over 90 exhibitors such as Hornetsecurity, ELCA, Keepit, Sophos, Cloudflare, Redhat and Axpo, a versatile platform for practical solutions, technological innovations and direct knowledge transfer is created.

Tickets and formats - access to knowledge, exchange and inspiration

Swiss Cyber Security Days 2026 offers the right ticket format for every interest – from EXPO Access to CONGRESS Access to the exclusive VIP ticket.

Visitors can take advantage of the early bird offer until 31 December 2025. EXPO Access now also includes access to the Tech Stage, which offers practical short presentations and technical insights.

Further information on ticket categories and prices can be found at www.scsd.ch/tickets.

Why attend?

Swiss Cyber Security Days 2026 combines inspiration, knowledge transfer and targeted exchange. It offers companies of all sizes the opportunity to network with experts, assess current developments and take away concrete solutions for their security challenges. SCSD is an event that highlights trends and shows how the digital future can be shaped securely.

Swiss Cyber Security Days (SCSD)

SCSD is Switzerland's leading platform for dialogue and expertise in the field of security. It offers politicians, administrators, specialists and users insights into current and future threats as well as innovative solutions. National and international players use the platform for exchange, inspiration and meetings with leading security experts. The seventh SCSD will take place on 17 and 18 February 2026 at the BERNEXPO site in Bern.

Swiss Cyber Security Days is a joint venture between BERNEXPO and Swiss Cyber – The Agency. The president of SCSD is National Councillor Nik Gugger.

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