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## Dr. Peter Beyer

### Alumnus

Peter Beyer, a trained lawyer, currently works with the World Health Organisation (WHO) in Geneva and is responsible for all issues related to intellectual property and public health. He provides legal and technical advice and training to WHO headquarters and Member States.

Previously, Peter Beyer was as a Legal Advisor to the Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property in Bern. He negotiated bilateral free trade agreements for the European Free Trade Association (EFTA), including with Algeria, the Golf Cooperation Council and South Korea and headed negotiations at WHO and WIPO. Furthermore, he was responsible for the bilateral dialog between Switzerland and China as well as all matters related to intellectual property rights and public health, development and human rights.

Prior to joining the Swiss civil service Peter Beyer worked with Ecologic Institute as a Senior Fellow, specialising in the regulation of industrial activities. In addition to intellectual property rights, his fields of expertise include integrated pollution control, waste management, climate change policy and environmental liability. His work focused on the transposition of the European emissions trading directive, the directive on integrated pollution prevention and control (IPPC-Directive) as well as the European environmental liability directive.

He acted as a legal advisor to the German Federal Ministry for the Environment with regard to the negotiation and implementation of the Protocol on Pollutant Release and Transfer Registers under the Aarhus-Convention. Furthermore, he drafted a study on extended producer responsibility in Europe for the Austrian Environment Agency.

During his legal traineeship Peter Beyer worked at the Department for Environmental and Planning Law of Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, Berlin as well as the Department of Urban Development, Construction, Housing, Environment and Traffic of the Federal State of Berlin. He was admitted to practise law in Germany in 2001.

From 1997 - 1999 Peter Beyer was a research and teaching assistant at the University of Geneva, writing his doctoral thesis which analyses the integrated concept of the IPPC-Directive. He is a graduate of the Universities of Cologne and Freiburg im Breisgau.



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