



**IMDRF** International Medical Device  
Regulators Forum | 26th Session

# Regulatory Update Switzerland

**Markus Wälti**

Head of Division Medical Devices Vigilance

Swissmedic, Swiss Agency for Therapeutic Products

# Key changes to regulatory framework

## Revision of MedDO and IvDO

EU IVDR amendment: Equivalence with EU Regulation on Medical Devices ensured



IMDRF 2024 Chair



**IMDRF**

International Medical Device  
Regulators Forum

# Key changes to guidance documents

swissdamed

swissdamed Privacy Notice and Terms of Use



IMDRF 2024 Chair



**IMDRF**

International Medical Device  
Regulators Forum

# Materiovigilance - every report counts!

Serious incidents involving medical devices: find out in the video why every report counts!

As a professional user, you are contributing to making medical devices safer! Report every serious incident promptly - because every report counts!



IMDRF 2024 Chair



**IMDRF**

International Medical Device  
Regulators Forum



- Swiss database for medical devices and responsible stakeholders
- Transparency for service providers
  - The platform **will** allow healthcare facilities, medical professionals, and other users to search for specific products and economically responsible entities
- A central element for the future, data-supported, and data-focused market surveillance of medical devices.
- First productive application on Swissmedic public cloud infrastructure <https://www.swissdamed.ch/>



# swissdamed - swiss database on medical devices

Goals

Actors

Devices

One of the main goals of the new Medical Device Regulation is to increase transparency and to ensure the complete traceability of products throughout the entire supply chain. In the event of problems, appropriate measures can thus be taken quickly. swissdamed, as a centralised system, was designed for this purpose and serves to collect and process the information on Swiss Economic Operators and Medical Devices. The public and professionals benefit equally from access to published information.



## Search for actors and devices



### Search for actors

Search for a manufacturer, authorised representative, importer or system procedure pack producer.



### Search for devices

The search for UDI-DI and medical device data will be available with Release 2.



### Support

Find relevant documents and information about swissdamed.

[Go to Support](#)



### Release note

**06.08.2024**

Release 1.0: The swissdamed “Actors” module is live, enabling registration of companies and economic operators, including actor and user management (e.g. for setting up user accounts or updating actor data).

[All release notes](#)

# Search for actors

The search for actors allows you to search and retrieve all records that contain the search terms you enter. At least one search criterion is mandatory.

Company name

CHRN

UID

If you don't know the UID-number of the company, you can find it in [Zefix](#)

Actor type

City

Country

Actor status

Clear search

Search

4096 Records found:

[Actors \(3735\)](#)

[Mandates \(foreign manufacturers\) \(361\)](#)

View	Actor type	CHRN	UID	Name ↑	Address	Postal code	City	Country				
	IM								Switzerland			
	IM											Switzerland
	AR											Switzerland
	AR											Switzerland
	IM											Switzerland

# News on International activities

- On 27 March 2024, Swissmedic signed a new grant agreement with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

Under terms of this agreement, both parties commit to supporting regulatory authorities in low and middle-income countries for a further three years, thereby improving access to healthcare in the targeted regions and countries.

- **Regulatory training in Bern, CH**
  - Last course: 27.05. - 31.05.2024
  - Next course: 21.10. - 25.10.2024



IMDRF 2024 Chair



**IMDRF**

International Medical Device  
Regulators Forum



# Swissmedic's Activities in IMDRF

## IMDRF MC and Working Groups

Management Committee (as Official Observer)

Adverse Event Terminology

Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning-enabled

Good Regulatory Review Practices

Quality Management Systems

Software as a Medical Device

Clinical Evidence for IVD Medical Devices



IMDRF 2024 Chair



**IMDRF**

International Medical Device  
Regulators Forum

[Link](#)

# IMDRF WG AET Meeting in Bern

The IMDRF Adverse Event Terminology Working Group meeting took place at Swissmedic from 23 to 26 April 2024.

Eleven international authorities took part to advance the harmonized coding of adverse events involving medical devices.



IMDRF 2024 Chair



**IMDRF**

International Medical Device  
Regulators Forum

[LinkedIn](#)

n

# Meetings, Workshops & Trainings

Datum	Organisator	Veranstaltung, Ort
13.05.2024	Schweizerische Gesellschaft für medizinische Kosmetik SGMK (Swiss Society for Medical Cosmetics)	«Beauty on the lake» - event for products without medical purpose, Zürich, CH
25.05.2024	Bern University of Applied Sciences (bfh), Department of Engineering and Information Technology	Certificate of Advanced Studies: Regulatory Affairs in Life Sciences, Bern, CH
27.05. - 31.05.2024	Swissmedic-WHO	Regulatory training course for regulatory authorities, Bern, CH
03.06.2024	Swissmedic	Roundtable on Medical Technology (RTMT), Bern, CH
18.06. - 19.06.2024	IG WiG – Interessenvertretung für die Wiederaufbereitung im Gesundheitswesen (Interest Group for Reprocessing in Healthcare)	18.6.: «Good Practice for Reprocessing Endoscopes», Lyss, CH / 19.6.: SGSVS 20th «Swiss Conference on Sterilisation», Biel, CH
25.07. - 27.07.2024	Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation	Kigali, Ruanda
27.08. - 30.08.2024	Taiwan Food and Drug Administration, Ministry of Health and Welfare, R.O.C.	2024 Conference on International Medical Device Regulations and APEC CoE Center of Excellence Workshop, Taipei, Taiwan



Markus Wälti, Swissmedic

[Markus.waelti@swissmedic.ch](mailto:Markus.waelti@swissmedic.ch)



**THANK YOU**



**PUBLIC  
MARKET**



**CITY  
FISH MARKET**