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A Swiss economist and central banker, Jean-Pierre Roth has devoted decades to strengthening Switzerland's economic stability and guiding international financial policy. As former Chairman of the Swiss National Bank (SNB), Roth brought profound expertise to key roles, including representing Switzerland as Governor at the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and chairing the Bank for International Settlements (BIS). Renowned for his dedication to financial resilience and public trust, he was instrumental in steering Switzerland through global economic challenges, especially during the 2008 financial crisis. His contributions have left a lasting legacy in Swiss banking and economic governance.



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Jean-Pierre Roth served as Chairman of the SNB from 2001 to 2009. He played a key role in guiding Switzerland's monetary policy during the 2008 economic crisis. He is pictured here with Philipp Hildebrand, his successor at SNB and also an Institute alumnus.



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Jean-Pierre Roth represented Switzerland as Governor at the IMF and chaired the Board of the BIS, championing stability and collaboration within global financial markets. Pictured above, he is meeting with the former Governor of the People's Bank of China, Zhou Xiaochuan, in 2007.



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Jean-Pierre Roth guided Switzerland's economy through pivotal challenges and implemented measures to bolster public trust in the banking system. Pictured above is the Press Conference with the President of the Swiss Confederation announcing a rescue plan for United Bank of Switzerland (UBS) in 2008.



