## BREXIT

## Speech by NICHOLAS NIGGLI

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What are the next steps?

What are the consequences for foreigners already living

What are the impacts on (foreign) business owners?

When: Tuesday, 10th January 2017

Time: 18:30 for a 19:00 start

Where: Tibits, Heddon Street, off Regent Street, London

GBP 15.00, including a vegetarian buffet after the speech Fee: Register:

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## About Nicholas Niggli



Nicholas Niggli is Head of the Economic, Finance, Science & Innovation Section at the Embassy of Switzerland in the UK and oversees the Swiss Business Hub UK & Ireland.

He is a Member of the Boards of the City Swiss Club and the British-Swiss Chamber of Commerce UK Chapter. In parallel, Nicholas is Chairman of the Association of Economic Representatives in London, a platform for dialogue between high-level representatives of industry, policy-makers and government. Since January 2012, Nicholas is also lecturing on leadership, trade negotiation dynamics, global governance and policy making as part of the INP Executive Master at the Graduate Institute of International & Development Studies while being Invited Lecturer in various other academic institutions across Europe.

Previously, Nicholas worked for Swiss trade diplomacy, being based at the Swiss Permanent Mission to the WTO and EFTA, where he was Vice-Chairman of the task force for the organisation of the 2009 and 2011 WTO Ministerial Conferences. In 2011, he was part of the Swiss diplomatic team successfully mediating between Georgia & Russia. From 2007 to 2012, Nicholas was Chairman of the WTO Government Procurement Agreement, concluding negotiations to improve and expand disciplines for this key world economy sector. In the same capacity, Nicholas concluded a mediation between China & Chinese Taipei. From 2007 to 2013, Nicholas was Chairman of WTO's Pension Plan Management Board. He led negotiations on administrative reform including an increase in the retirement age for WTO staff. From 2005 to 2006, he served as Chairman of the Committee on Specific Commitments, in the context of the Services Doha Round Negotiations.

Nicholas holds Masters Degrees in Economic History & International Relations from the Universities of Geneva, Aberdeen and the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies. He speaks French, English, German and Swiss-German and understands basic Russian. He is passionate about ethnomusicology, books, maps, masks, chess, uphill cycling, basketball and mountaineering.

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