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A portrait of Judge Guénaël Mettraux, a man with dark hair and a beard, wearing glasses and a black robe with gold stripes, standing outdoors with buildings in the background.

Judge  
**Guénaël  
Mettraux**

**Experience.  
Integrity.  
Justice.**

**Switzerland's candidate  
for Judge of  
the International  
Criminal Court 2027-36**

**Over 25 years in international criminal justice in all major international criminal tribunals.**

**A career devoted to law as well as independent and fair decision-making.**

“ Justice must be consistent, effective and principled – especially when the stakes are high. For over 25 years, I have dedicated my career to international criminal justice. I have served in the ICC and every major international criminal tribunal, working on some of the world’s most complex and sensitive criminal cases. These experiences shaped my firm belief in a court that delivers fair, independent, impartial and high-quality justice for victims and communities affected by the gravest crimes. ”

**If elected, I will bring to the ICC:**

- Integrity in decision-making and high ethical standards
- Consistency in the application of the law
- Efficiency and effectiveness in proceedings
- Collegiality and commitment in service
- Unique knowledge of the law and practice of international criminal jurisdictions

*G. Mettraux*

## **Why support Judge Mettraux?**

### **1 Unparalleled International Experience in Criminal Justice**

- 25 years in international criminal justice and 6 criminal tribunals: ICC, ICTY, ICTR, ECCC, STL and KSC
- Managed highly complex and politically sensitive criminal cases entailing extensive evidence and numerous witnesses, while leading large international expert teams
- Served as judge, defence counsel and within the prosecution

### **2 Profound Understanding of the ICC**

- 12 years of experience with ICC proceedings
- Mastery of the Rome Statute, the ICC’s procedural rules and its working methods
- First-hand knowledge of the ICC’s institutional challenges

### **3 Renowned Academic and Expert in Effective Justice Systems**

- Taught and published extensively on international crimes and command responsibility
- Authored influential expert reports on judicial functioning of justice systems
- Respected for his integrity, independence, impartiality, diligence and sound judgement

### **4 A Global Legal Mind**

- Educated in Switzerland, practising in common law, civil law and hybrid systems
- Worked on international crimes cases in various regions and international settings
- Works, practices and writes in French and English

**A longstanding supporter  
of the ICC, Switzerland proudly  
supports the candidacy of  
Judge Guénaël Mettraux for  
the 2026 ICC judicial elections.**

**Judge Mettraux brings  
the experience, integrity and  
highest level of professionalism  
required at this critical moment  
for the ICC.**



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