

## Federal Council statement regarding the rights acquired by citizens of EU and EFTA countries living and working in Switzerland

The Agreement on the Free Movement of Persons (AFMP) remains in force in its present form until further notice. Furthermore, under Article 23 AFMP, citizens of EU and EFTA countries who already live and work in Switzerland will continue to be able to invoke the rights conferred by the AFMP, even if the Agreement is terminated. The Article expressly states that rights acquired by private individuals will not be affected. Naturally, this also applies to Swiss citizens living or working in EU or EFTA countries. The Article also states that Contracting Parties will settle by mutual agreement what action is to be taken in respect of rights in the process of being acquired.