

Urs Brunner



My name is Urs Brunner and I was born in Nyon in 1961 while my father was working in Geneva. In my early years, my parents moved around and made stops in Murten, Zug, Flawil and ultimately in Uster where I grew up, went to school and completed my apprenticeship (FEAM).

My first job was with Baxter Travenol in their technical service department for peritoneal dialysis machines. From there, my international career took off. I joined an implantable medical device company and moved to Texas in 1983. My chosen career track took me from Texas to Belgium, Switzerland, Miami, Cincinnati and Ft Myers. I had the great fortune to travel across the world for my different companies and have gotten to appreciate the value of diverse cultures. While my career started in the technical domain, I quickly shifted to the marketing and business side. My most recent position was CEO of a Swiss Surgical Table Manufacturer from Münsingen. I feel extremely honored to have worked my entire career in the medical field and having been able to contribute to better health and access for patients around the world.

Privately, I am married to Amparo for over 40 years. Amparo was born in Cuba and grew up in New Orleans, Bahamas and Miami, where we met. Together, we have two adult children, Nicole and Stefan. Both of them were born in Belgium and now live in Florida as well. I am an avid sports fan and I compete in a number of long-distance triathlons. I also love skiing, of course, and ocean sailing. My other hobby is photography where I try to improve my skills all the time.

Finally, I should not be remiss to mention that I have served the Swiss American community in the Miami club as Board Member and Treasurer for several years and our club in Southwest Florida for 4 years. The experience to serve the many wonderful members of the Swiss Community has been very rewarding and fun and I look forward to serving you as a board member for the coming years.