



## SRC Family Reunification Service

In addition to providing advice and casework, we also engage in other activities to improve respect for the right to family life.

### Our work in brief

- **Background information** (needs analysis, drafting position papers, etc.)
- **Monitoring** legal and political developments in family reunification
- **Developing legal bases** for the systematic processing of family reunification applications
- **Networking**: nationally and internationally, with authorities, the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and other institutions working in the family reunification sector
- **Political lobbying**
- **Media work**
- **Confidential dialogue** with the authorities

### Definitions

**Family reunification** means any form of reunification of family members in which one person has been granted a residence permit in Switzerland and would like to obtain a residence permit for one or more persons in their nuclear family. We apply the **broader concept of nuclear family**, which may include 'social parenthood' (i.e. without biological ties), people with a special dependency, or certain constellations of siblings.

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