



**Federal Councillor Guy Parmelin**  
**Head of the Federal Department of Economic Affairs, Education and Research EAER**

Personal data

- Born on 9 November 1959
- Married
- Citizen of Bursins (VD)

Profession

- 1985–2015: Master farmer and winemaker

Education

- 1985: Advanced Federal Diploma of Higher Education in Agriculture and Viticulture
- 1979: Diploma from the cantonal agricultural school in Marcellin
- 1977–1979: Apprenticeship as a farmer
- 1975–1977: Federal baccalaureate (Latin-English) at Montbenon cantonal baccalaureate school in Lausanne
- 1969–1975: Upper secondary school in Rolle concluded with certificate in Latin-English

Political activities

- 9 December 2015: Elected to the Federal Council
- 2003–2015: Member of the National Council
- 2000–2004: President of the Swiss People's Party (SVP) in the Canton of Vaud
- 1994–2003: SVP member of the Vaud Cantonal Parliament