

PID C. Robert Rettby

Candidate International 3rd Vice-President



Biography: Private

- Born in Stockholm, Sweden
- Family moved to Switzerland, in Lausanne, when 6 years old
- School and high school at the ENSR, in Lausanne, Scientific Maturité Fédérale
- Studied at the Federal Institute of Technology (EPFL) in Lausanne, master in civil engineering
- Lived and worked, among other places, in Iraq and in Nigeria, with wife and first son, before coming back to Switzerland, in Neuchatel, in 1985
- Married with Catherine, born Hildenbrand
- Two sons, Nils, master in life science (EPFL) and Sten, master in civil engineering (EPFL) and MBA (HEC Lausanne)
- 4 grand children
- Swedish and Swiss nationalities, citizen of Neuchatel
- Retired but still active professionally; mostly active with Lions Clubs International
- Actively practices sports, among which mountain biking, mountain hiking, occasionally diving and, in winter, skiing and tour-skiing
- Former competition skier (slalom and acrobatic ski) during school and student years

Biography: Professional

- Master in civil engineering (EPFL)
- Fabricom SA (Brussels): Construction of high-power lines, in Iraq
- Zwahlen et Mayr SA (Aigle) : Steel construction projects, in Switzerland
- Geilinger SA (Yvonand) : Several steel construction projects, in Switzerland and abroad
- Structural Steel Works Ltd (Lagos, Nigeria) : Manager of the steel construction division
- In 1985, back to Switzerland to take over of the management and shares of the family business, Hildenbrand & Cie SA, in Neuchatel, with 80 employees
- Developed contracting in several industrial high technology fields
- Shareholder and member of the board of several other companies
- As from 2009, progressively handed over the operation to a management team, remaining for a while in the board; Today, both sons are in the board of family mother company
- In 2010, founded LaboSafe SA, spin-off of Hildenbrand, active in the field of water treatments, using ozone and UV to treat drinking water, wastewater and industrial water
- LaboSafe SA is now mainly active in the field of Industrial security, designing and supplying safety shower installations, as well as a consulting in other fields

Biography: Lions

- Member of Lions Club Neuchatel since 1992
- Member of the board of Lions Club Neuchatel since 1993; still member today
- Positions in District 102W: Webmaster, Cabinet Secretary, Commissions, Governor, etc
- Positions in MD102: Webmaster, Commissions, Council Chairperson, etc
- International leading positions: GAT, LCIF, Faculty, Advisor, Committees, etc
- International Director 2013-2015 and Board Appointee 2018-2019
- For a comprehensive list of all positions, please visit https://lions.rettby.ch/lions_en/