



For a Liberal Renewal

THE first term of the Federal Council (i.e. the last three years) was a flop. Unless the Council can be made to work effectively, and soon, then it should be scrapped.

In its place I would propose a larger Federal Board that is also more transparent and more accountable. Such a new body shouldn't be as big as the pre-2022 Board but rather in the range of 24 to 32 members and with more seats directly-elected by party members.

The altogether nine Federal Committees work too much each in their own silos. Some reforms — e.g. a common online work space — have helped improve integration a little but more is needed. In all cases, chairs & vice-chairs should commit to communicate better, both horizontally and vertically. There needs to be more consultation too, both among committees and with party members.

Party standards still need more attention. We have not learned from recent mistakes that have been time-consuming and, in some cases, expensive. Too often, partisan preferences have undermined our party's reputation among voters.

These are my priorities. I hope you will support me. Feel free to email or text me and, if helpful, we can set up a call.

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