

Curriculum Vitae of Georg Rich

Georg Rich was born on 11 November 1939 in Schaffhausen, Switzerland. He studied economics at the University of Zurich and continued his studies at Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, which awarded him a Ph.D. in economics in 1969. From 1967 to 1977, he taught economics at Carleton University in Ottawa, Canada. He was promoted to associate professor in 1971 and served as chairman of Carleton's economics department from 1972 to 1974. In 1977, he joined the Swiss National Bank. He was put in charge of research in 1979 and took over the economic studies and research section in 1982. In 1985 he was appointed as director and chief economist, a post which he held until his retirement from the Swiss National Bank in 2001.

In 2002 Georg Rich became an honorary professor of the University of Bern. In addition, he taught a course at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva until 2008 and he is operating a consulting business, named "Rich International Consulting".

Georg Rich was also a postdoctoral fellow at Yale University in 1974, a visiting professor at the Graduate Institute of International Studies in Geneva in 1975 and a visiting scholar at Carnegie-Mellon University in 1989. The following year, the Graduate School of Brown University awarded him a citation for his achievements in the areas of monetary analysis and policy. In 2002, he was a research visitor at the European Central Bank. From 1999 to 2002, he served as president of the Swiss Economics Society. From 2003 to 2008, he was a member of EMU Monitor, a group of academics who assessed regularly the performance of the European Central Bank. He has published widely on monetary matters, including studies on the Eurocurrency markets, Canadian monetary history and Swiss monetary policy. He is author of a monograph entitled *The Cross of Gold, Money and the Canadian Business Cycle, 1867-1913* (1988).

Georg Rich is a widower and lives in Zurich, Switzerland.