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Dr Kellenberger was President of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) from 2000 to 2012. A former State Secretary for Foreign Affairs and Head of the Directorate of Political Affairs in the Swiss Foreign Ministry from 1992 to 1999, he has also served in Swiss embassies in Madrid, Brussels and London. Between 1984 and 1992, he headed up the Office for European Integration, serving first as a Minister and later as an Ambassador with responsibility for relations with the European Union and the European Free Trade Association. Dr Kellenberger teaches at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva and in the Law Faculty at the University of Salamanca in Spain. In addition to being a member of HD's Board since 2012, Dr Kellenberger is President of the Board of swisspeace, an Honorary Member of the American Society of International Law, as well as a member of the Advisory Panel for Swiss Re and of the Council for the Future of Europe. Dr Kellenberger was awarded the Grosses Verdienstkreuz mit Stern in 2012 and appointed Commandeur de la Légion d'Honneur in 2013.