

Biography:

Dr. iur. Robert Wallner

Prosecutor General of Liechtenstein

Robert Wallner is the Prosecutor General of the Principality of Liechtenstein. As the Head of Liechtenstein's Public Prosecutors Office (PPO) he is in charge of all criminal investigations and prosecutions.

After graduating from Karl-Franzens-University in Innsbruck, Austria, he worked at various courts in Austria and was appointed to be a judge at the District Court in Innsbruck in 1986, where he heard civil and criminal matters. In 1988 he became a Public Prosecutor at the Prosecutors Office for the Province of Tyrol, Austria.

In 2000 the government of Liechtenstein appointed Wallner as Prosecutor General of Liechtenstein. Wallner reorganised the PPO and built up a network of international contacts. By successfully prosecuting financial crimes in Liechtenstein and enhancing international cooperation and mutual legal assistance the PPO of Liechtenstein became a respected and reliable partner in the international fight against crime. Wallner made asset seizure and forfeiture a priority in the work of his office. Liechtenstein became one of the first civil law jurisdictions to successfully conclude major in rem (non-conviction-based) - forfeiture cases. Wallner is an expert in the investigation and prosecution of corruption, financial crime, money laundering and asset recovery.

Wallner assisted the government in drafting new legislation in the field of criminal law, money laundering, due diligence, mutual legal assistance and administrative assistance including the exchange of information in tax matters. He served in numerous delegations negotiating bilateral and multilateral treaties like the MLAT with the US, the association of Liechtenstein to Schengen and Dublin and other negotiations with the EU.

Wallner is a lecturer at the University of Liechtenstein and speaks regularly at national and international conferences and seminars. He is the author of several publications, including on liability in mountain sports where he is also an expert.