

A brief curriculum vitae

Martin Michael Ott, born on 18. 6. 1955

Born in Zurich as the seventh child of eight, son of a doctor, burger of Zurich and later Bäretswil

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| 1961 – 71 | Primary and secondary school in Zurich (Rudolf Steiner School) |
| 1971 – 74 | Distance course (AKAD) and federal school-leaving certificate Type C |
| 1974 – 76 | Teacher training college (primary school level) |
| 1975 | Marriage to Fabienne Bussard, birth of first child, Rahel Rebecca |
| 1976 | Birth of second child, Rhea Simona |
| 1976 – 80 | Teaching position at the Rudolf Steiner School in Zurich |
| 1981 | Separation and divorce from Fabienne Bussard and extensive travelling, including as a street musician |
| 1981 – 97 | Sets up a therapeutic organic farm with Annigna Grob in Bäretswil |
| 1982 | Marriage to Annigna Grob and birth of first child Flurin Andrea |
| 1983 | Birth of second child Maria Tina |
| 1984 – 87 | Course in agriculture with master's certificate in 1987 |
| 1986 | First LP released together with the group Baldrian |
| 1987 | Elected to the cantonal parliament |
| 1989 | Joins the Green party |
| 1991 & 95 | Re-elected to the cantonal parliament |
| 1992 - 96 | Elected to the local council in Bäretswil, head of the health department |
| 1992 | Appointed to the Administrative Board of the Institute for Research in Organic Farming and joins senior management in 1997 |
| Since 1992 | Sets up and runs the SVWO (Swiss Association for EAST-WEST Cooperation in Organic Farming) as President. Assistance in setting up organic farming movements in the Czech Republic, Poland, Lithuania, Bulgaria, Hungary, Georgia and Russia. |
| Since 1986 | Extensive musical work, in particular with brother Andreas in the group Baldrian. |
| 1997 | Sale of the farm in Bäretswil; various private consulting mandates for agricultural and social projects, for private and state institutions. |
| 1998 | Resigns from the cantonal parliament and, together with friends, takes over a bankrupt, publicly owned farm on a private lease. Initiates a reputed eco-social concept on the farm and in part of the monastery premises in Rheinau (Fintan project). |

- 1998 Birth of first grandchild, Joshua Kai
- 1999 Elected to the committee of Bio Suisse
- 2000 Elected to the committee of SAG (Swiss Gene Technology Working Group)
- 2001 Baldrian releases a further CD; more intensive concert schedule.