

**UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE
CONFERENCE OF EUROPEAN STATISTICIANS**

Task Force on Valuing Unpaid Household Service Work (Geneva, 26-27 November 2015)

INFORMATION NOTICE FOR PARTICIPANTS

The meeting will be held in **Room XV** (2nd floor, A building, Porte A11) at the Palais des Nations.
It will start at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, 26 November 2015.

I. PARTICIPATION, ACCREDITATION AND REGISTRATION

1. Participation in the meeting is restricted to the members of the UNECE Task Force on Valuing Unpaid Household Service Work and to experts invited by the organizers.
2. All participants should register for the meeting online **by 2 November 2015** through this link: https://www2.unece.org/uncdb/app/ext/meeting-registration?id=i_77ml.
3. Please copy the link in the common browsers like Mozilla Firefox or Google Chrome. The online meeting registration guideline is available at: <https://www2.unece.org/wiki/display/OMR/Online+Meeting+Registration+Guidelines>. Should you have any questions, please contact the UNECE secretariat, email social.stats@unece.org or tel +41 22 917 4147.
4. All participants attending the meeting are requested to have a valid passport and, if required, a visa. Applications for visas should be made as soon as possible at the Embassy of Switzerland in the country in which the participants reside, with reference to the meeting of the UNECE Task Force on Measuring Unpaid Household Service Work and the invitation letter.
5. To enter the Palais des Nations, all participants need to obtain a security pass (ID badge). For this purpose, please present yourself with your passport and the original registration form at the UN Security Identification Office at the Pregny Gate of the Palais des Nations (Avenue de la Paix 14, 1210 Geneva; buses 8, F, V, Z and 28, stop Appia) by 9 a.m. on Thursday, 19 January 2012. The Security Identification Office is open Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (non-stop). For identification and security reasons, delegates are requested to wear their security badges at all times while inside the Palais des Nations.
6. Maps of Geneva and information for visitors to the Palais des Nations are available on the following web page: <http://www.unece.org/meetings/practical.htm>. The same web page includes a map of the Palais des Nations (click on "UN Map") with indication of the UN Security Identification Office at the Pregny Gate entrance.

II. DOCUMENTATION AND METHOD OF WORK

7. The working language of the meeting will be English only. Documents will be available in English only.
8. Meeting documents will be made available in the task force's workspace at www1.unece.org/stat/platform/display/HhWork. The posted documents will not be distributed in the meeting room. Participants are encouraged to download them and bring their own copies to the meeting.

III. ACCOMMODATION

9. Participants are requested to make their own accommodation arrangements. The UNECE secretariat in Geneva is not in a position to provide such services to participants. Participants are advised to book hotel accommodation well in advance of the meeting since available rooms are limited due to other meetings and events taking place in Geneva during the month of January. Maps of Geneva, list of hotels and information for visitors to the Palais des Nations are available on the following website: <http://www.unece.org/meetings/practical.htm>. The following information is also available:

- The closest hotel to Palais des Nations is the 5-Star Intercontinental.
- Grand Prè, Cornavin, Suisse are four-star hotels and within 7-10 minutes to the Palais des Nations by buses 8, 5, 28, F, V, Z and trams 13 and 15.
- There are several three-star and four-star hotels near Cornavin, the main train station. These hotels are moderate in price and are 10 minutes by bus or tram and 25-30 minutes on foot from the Palais des Nations. Examples include: Eden, Manotel, Mon Repos, des Alpes, International and Terminus, Montana, Savoy, Suisse, and Windsor.

IV. FREE PUBLIC TRANSPORT IN GENEVA

10. Geneva International Airport now offers incoming passengers a **free ticket for public transport**. The free tickets are available from a machine in the airport's baggage collection area and allow you to use any public transport (train, tram, bus) in Geneva and surrounding areas for a period of 80 minutes. Look for the machine pictured below after collecting your luggage and before walking out through the customs area.



11. When checking-in at your hotel you should receive a free [Geneva Transport Card](#), enabling you to use the entire Geneva public transport system free of charge throughout your stay.

Getting from the Airport to Geneva

12. The Geneva Airport is approximately 4 kilometres from the city centre. The train is the most efficient way to get into the city. Follow the signs to the airport railway station from the arrivals area. All trains leaving from the airport stop at the central Geneva - Cornavin station. The journey takes six minutes. The buses 5 and 28 will bring you from the airport to the Place des Nations.

13. **Taxis** are readily available from the airport. They are metered, so costs will vary, the journey from the airport into the city centre will usually cost around CHF 30.

14. Tourist and public transport information is available at the [Unireso](#) information desk in the airport arrival hall after you go through customs. More information on Geneva's free public transport initiative is available from:

- Public transport from Geneva Airport: <http://www.gva.ch/en/desktopdefault.aspx/tabid-67/>
- Free Geneva Transport Card: <http://www.geneve-tourisme.ch/index.php?rubrique=0000000417>

