## **PRACTICAL NOTE**

### Training workshop "From practitioner to practitioner: how to use the two global Water Conventions to promote cooperation on the ground"

**To be held on 3–4 July 2023** Room XXIII, Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland

## WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

The workshop will start at 9.30 on Monday, 3 July 2023, and will end at 17.30 on Tuesday, 4 July 2023.

### **MEETING VENUE**

Conference room Salle XXIII, Building E, floor 1 Palais des Nations (general map) 8-14 avenue de la Paix Geneva, Switzerland



### Badges and entrance to Palais des Nations:

(1) On their way to the meeting, participants should obtain an **identification badge** at the Pass and Identification Unit of the United Nations Office at Geneva Security and Safety Section located at the <u>Pregny gate</u>, located in front of International Committee of the Red Cross. The Pass and Identification Unit starts working at 8 a.m.

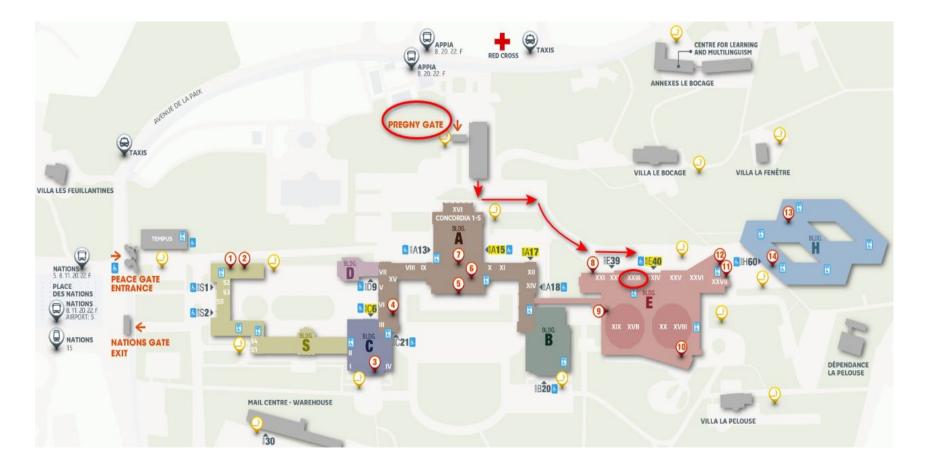
Please remember to have your passport or a valid identification card with you.

(2) Once inside the UN premises, please walk towards building E, Salle XXIII (5 minutes walk) (see map below). Please note that the identification badge will be provided only to registered participants. In case you have not registered, please contact us (john.sasuya@un.org).

#### <u>Please allow sufficient time for obtaining your identification badge.</u>

Given the high number of delegates attending meetings at the Palais de Nations, we recommend you to arrive at the Palais des Nations 60-90 minutes before the session starts, i.e. at 8.00 a.m. on 3 July.

For security reasons, you must wear your visitor's badge at all times.





**Working language**: The workshop will be held in English. No interpretation will be provided.

**Background documents**: Background documents for the meeting will be made available <u>here</u>.

The meeting will follow a PaperSmart model. Internet access will be provided during the meeting.

## ACCOMODATION

Please note that participants are expected to make their own arrangements directly with the hotels. The secretariat is not responsible for the accommodation arrangements.

A list of **recommended hotels** is available <u>here</u>.

# VISA

Since Switzerland is part of the Schengen Zone, obtaining a visa might take up to 5 weeks. The Secretariat will provide approved participants with an invitation letter, which should be used to apply for a visa at the nearest consular office of Switzerland. For requesting visa letters, please contact the Secretariat as early as possible. You can also visit the Swiss Government Travel Check Website to verify which entry requirements apply to your entry to Switzerland: https://travelcheck.admin.ch/home.

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# **PUBLIC TRANSPORT**

Palais des Nations transit stop is Nations.

Access from Cornavin railway station:

- Bus line 5, 20, F or tram line 15 ("Nations" stop) Access from Geneva airport:
  - Bus line 5 ("Nations" stop)
  - Other bus lines with stop at "Nations": 11 and 22.

Practical information on the Palais des Nations, as well as on transport and accommodation in Geneva, is available online at: <a href="https://www.ungeneva.org/en/about/practical-information">https://www.ungeneva.org/en/about/practical-information</a>

#### Private means of transport

Access roads to the UN are the Rue de Lausanne and Avenue de la Paix/Route de Pregny.

Visitors are unfortunately not allowed to enter the UN by car or with a bicycle. Public parking is available on the surroundings of the Palais. For further details and locations please visit <u>website</u>. Public transport is strongly recommended.

### **ABOUT GENEVA**

You can find more information about Geneva at: https://www.geneve.ch/en

Time zone: GMT + 2 hour

Currency: Swiss franc (CHF)

Please check the <u>weather</u> in Geneva before travelling.

If you would like to bring your laptop, please note that in Geneva the power plugs and sockets are of **type J**. Please make sure to bring your own adaptor if you need one.

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