# **PRACTICAL NOTE**

## Global workshop on funding and financing transboundary water cooperation and basin development

#### To be held on 5-6 December 2023

Room III, Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland



#### **WORKSHOP SCHEDULE**

The Global workshop on funding and financing transboundary water cooperation and basin development will start at 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday, 05 December 2023, and will end at 17.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 06 December 2023.

#### **MEETING VENUE**

Conference room Salle III, Building A, 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 get their conference digital badges activated. Entry to the Palais des Nations for meeting participants is through the <u>Peace Gate</u> "bis" at Place des Nations (opposite the statue of the Broken Chair, please see picture below). Please bring your valid passport or a valid national ID card (if you are from a European Member State) and the Indico digital badge (printed or on mobile device).

Please **allow sufficient time** for activating your conference digital badge. We strongly recommend that you arrive at the Palais des Nations at 8-8.30 a.m. on 13 November.

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

(2) Once inside the UN premises, please walk towards **building A, Salle III** (5 minutes' walk) (see map below). Please note that the conference digital badge will be provided only to registered participants.

#### Please allow sufficient time for obtaining your identification badge.

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 8.30 a.m. on 5 December.

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





Working language: Simultaneous interpretation in English, French, Russian, and Spanish is provided.

**Background documents**: Background documents for the meeting will be made available here.

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



#### **ACCOMMODATION**

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.



### **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 highly recommended.

#### **ABOUT GENEVA**

You can find more information about Geneva at: <a href="https://www.geneve.ch/en">https://www.geneve.ch/en</a>

**Time zone:** GMT + 2 hour

**Currency:** Swiss franc (CHF)

Please check the weather 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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