



**Joint WMO -UNEP Consultative Workshop and Science-Policy Dialogue
on Solar Radiation Modification (SRM)
Geneva, Switzerland, 19-20 May 2025**

PARTICIPANT LOGISTICAL NOTE

1. OPENING AND REGISTRATION

The Joint WMO-UNEP Consultative Workshop and Science-Policy Dialogue on Solar Radiation Modification (SRM) will be held at the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland, which is located at 7bis, avenue de la Paix, CH-1211 Geneva 2, from Monday 19 May to Tuesday 20 May 2025.

Participant registration is open at 8:00 a.m. and the meeting will start at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, 19 May 2025.

2. VENUE

The meeting will be held at:

WMO HQ 7bis, avenue de la Paix
CH-1211 Geneva 2,
Geneva, Switzerland
Conference Room: [Salle Obasi](#)

3. WORKING LANGUAGE

The meeting will be held in English.

4. MEETING DOCUMENTS

Documents will be circulated to meeting participants via [Event page link](#). To minimize the environmental footprint of the meeting and in line with the UN policy towards greener meetings, participants are kindly reminded to bring their own copies of the meeting documents, or to use paperless versions, as there will be no hard copies of meeting documents made available on site during the meeting. WIFI access will also be provided.

5. GENERAL INFORMATION ON ACCESS TO SWITZERLAND

Geneva is serviced by the Geneva Cointrin International Airport, which is about 5 kilometers from central Geneva. There are direct connections to the city center by taxi, train and bus, as follows:

5.1 Taxis

Taxis are readily available at Geneva Airport. The trip to central Geneva takes approximately 15 minutes. Fares range from CHF 35.00-CHF50.00 (approx. €40).

5.2 Train

The airport railway station has direct access to the airport Check-in and Arrival levels. You can take the "L" line train towards Coppet and get off at "Secheron". The WMO is a three-minute walk from Secheron. For information on the Swiss railway system and prices, please go to: <https://www.sbb.ch/en/>.

5.3 Bus

There are several bus lines that serve Geneva Airport. The frequency and fares are as follows:

- a) To WMO HQ: Bus number 28 to the Jardin Botanique stop. Get off at the Jardin Botanique stop. Walk across the street to the WMO building.
- b) Bus from City Centre: Bus number 1,11 or 25 departs from Ornavin Station approximately every 10 minutes.

The unireso zone 10 ticket (3.00 CHF / approx. 2.60 €) gives access to the Geneva public transport network for a period of 60 minutes. It can be purchased directly from the ticket machines located at the "Genève Aéroport" and "WTC" bus stops and at the Genève-Aéroport train station. Some hotels offer free shuttle service from the airport kindly request this information when making your reservations.

If you are staying at a hotel, the establishment will offer you the "Geneva Transport Card" that allows you to use public transport in Geneva free of charge during your stay. More information can be found at the following link: www.geneve.com.

6. VISA INFORMATION

Participants requiring a Schengen visa for Switzerland are strongly advised to contact the nearest Swiss diplomatic representation in their country of residence and submit their visa application as soon as possible in order to secure the required entry visa in a timely manner, prior to departure. The estimate average processing time for the Schengen visa is from 15 to 20 working days. Please ensure that you allow sufficient time to process your visa request.

For visa requirements, Swiss Embassies and Consulates representations, and visa application form, please visit:

- Switzerland's Online Visa System accessible at the following web link <https://www.swiss-visa.ch/ivis2/#/i210-select-country>.

Additional information on entry requirements, including frequently asked questions, is also available on:

- Switzerland's State Secretariat for Migration website at <https://www.sem.admin.ch/sem/en/home/themen/einreise.html>.

To facilitate the issuance of visas, please also ensure to include the following documents with your visa application:

Visa assistance letter from the Secretariat (issued to registered delegates upon request)

7. ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Entry into Switzerland does not require any further pandemic related measures. However, the WHO recommends that caution is applied where risk for COVID-19 infection is high, e.g., in crowded, poorly ventilated spaces or when one's personal risk of adverse outcomes from COVID-19 is high. Some of the key preventive measures advised include keeping up to date with COVID-19 vaccination, practicing hand hygiene, and using masks when risk of infection is deemed to be high.

Delegates attending the meeting are requested to ensure that they have international medical insurance coverage for the duration of their stay in Switzerland for the meeting.

8. HOTEL INFORMATION

Participants are kindly reminded that **they must make their own hotel reservations and should do so as soon as possible**. When you stay in a hotel in Geneva, you will receive the 'Geneva Transport Card', which is card offered to you upon arrival, that allows you to use all the public transportation systems in Geneva for free.

Information on other hotels and other tourist information in the vicinity of the meeting venue can be found at the following link: <https://www.geneve.com/en/>

9. PAYMENT OF THE DAILY SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE (DSA)

The DSA is applicable only to participants receiving travel support from UNEP and WMO. Disbursement to the funded participants will be via Swiss Cards issued on the first day of the meeting. **Funded participants are kindly requested to bring their passports and boarding passes on the first day of the meeting**. These will be photocopied and returned to participants during the meeting. It is advisable that participants have some cash at hand to cover expenses that may occur during their stay. Please note that the funds can take up to 24 hours to be loaded on the cards.

IMPORTANT: If you were provided with a Swiss Bankers card for a previous meeting, please inform the Chief Scientist Office and bring it with you to the workshop (if it is still valid) so that it may be reused. Please make sure you remember the PIN, otherwise contact the bank to request that they reset the PIN.

Swiss Bankers Contacts:

Swiss Bankers Prepaid Services Ltd, Customer Service
(forgotten PIN numbers, card replacements or transaction claims)
Tel: +41-31 710 12 15
Email: info@swissbankers.ch
Opening hours: Mon-Sun: 8.00-22.00 Swiss time. Closed on Swiss bank holidays.

10. OFFICIAL LANGUAGES

The official languages are: French, German, Italian and Romansh. English and/or French is spoken in hotels and restaurants.

11. WEATHER AND TIME ZONE INFORMATION

In May, the average temperatures in Geneva typically range between 18°C in the daytime and 8°C at night. Please bring appropriate clothing for season. The current weather conditions may be found at <https://worldweather.wmo.int/en/city.html?cityId=193>

The standard time zone for Geneva is CET (Central European Time) which is GMT/UTC +1 hour.

12. ELECTRICITY

The electrical currents are 230 Volts, 50 Hertz and plugs are as shown below:



13. CURRENCY

The currency in Switzerland is the Swiss Franc (CHF). The current exchange rate as of 3 March 2025 is USD \$1 = CHF \$0.90 and €1= CHF \$0.94 (source: www.xe.com, rates are subject to change).

14. WORKSHOP FOCAL POINTS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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15. DISCLAIMER

The UNEP disclaims all responsibility for medical, accident and travel insurance, for compensation for death or disability compensation, for loss of or damage to personal property and for any other loss that may be incurred during travel time or the period of the meeting participation. In this context, it is strongly recommended to secure international medical, accident and travel insurance for the period of participation prior to departure.