



**Project Preparation Meeting
October 12th-13th 2017
Geneva Switzerland**

Global best practices on emerging chemical policy issues of concern under the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM),

Project Component 1: Promoting regulatory and voluntary action by government to phase out known toxic chemicals

Practical Information

The Project Preparation Meeting for Project Component 1 of GEF Project 9771, Global best practices on emerging chemical policy issues of concern under the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM), will take place in Geneva, Switzerland on Thursday 12th to Friday 13th of October. Both meeting days will start at 8:30 a.m. and end at 5:30 p.m.

Venue of the meeting will be at the:
International Environment House 1 (IEH 1)
Chemin des Anémones 11-13,
CH-1219 Châtelaine (GE) Switzerland

Please see map at the end of this document for further details.

Transport within Geneva

For those getting to the venue by taxi can either ask the hotel reception to order a taxi or call +41 (0) 22 331 41 33.

For those getting to the venue by **public transport**, the following options are recommended.

From the **airport**:

- Bus Y, 23 or 28 to '**Blandonnet**' (direction "Ferney-Voltaire-Mairie" for Y, "ZIPLO" for 23 and "parfumerie" for the 28), then switch to Tram 14 (direction "Meyrin") or
- 18 (direction "CERN") and alight at '**Balexert**' (direction 5 min. walking distance to the IEH)



From '**Gare Cornavin**' (main train station):

- Tram 14 (direction "Meyrin") or
- 18 (direction "CERN") to '**Balexert**' (5 min. walking distance to the IEH)

From '**22 Cantons**' (1 min. walking distance from 'Gare Cornavin'):

- Bus 6 or 19 (direction "Vernier village") and alight at '**Chatelaine**' (2 min. walking distance to the IEH)

Itineraries can be accessed at <http://www.tpg.ch/en/web/site-international>.

Tickets

Bus tickets for one hour within the Geneva area cost 3,50 CHF. A short trip ("saut de puce"; 3 stops max) costs 2,00 CHF. A day travel card costs 10,60 CHF. Tickets have to be bought at the machines at the bus/tram stop before entering the bus.

Some hotel receptions can provide a free, personal and non-transferable Geneva Transport Card that is valid on the whole public transportation system of Geneva for the length of your stay. This includes buses, trams and trains.

A 80min free ticket can be obtained at the airport arrival in the baggage collection area and it is valid for the whole city.

Accommodation

All participants (DSA funded and non-funded) are responsible to make their own arrangements for accommodation unless otherwise agreed. If you wish to stay close to the meeting venue, we would recommend either of the following hotels:

- 'Suite Novotel' (<http://www.suitenovotel.com/gb/hotel-5654-suite-novotel-geneve/index.shtml>): 3-star hotel; located right opposite the 'Balexert' shopping center; prices starting around 180 CHF per night, plus 24 CHF for breakfast.
- 'Ibis Budget Geneva' (<http://www.accorhotels.com/gb/hotel-5653-ibis-budget-geneve/index.shtml>): economy hotel; located right opposite the 'Balexert' shopping center; prices around 110 CHF per night, plus 12 CHF breakfast.

For other options, please see the following website:

<http://www.geneve-tourisme.ch/en/accommodation/>

Meals

Coffee, tea and snacks will be offered the workshop. Lunch can be taken at the International Environment House 1 cafeteria at own expense.

Options nearby the venue also include the following:

- La Terrasse: Italian food (see map provided at the end of this document)



- Several restaurants and snack-bars can be found in the nearby shopping center 'Balexert' (<http://www.balexert.ch/categorie/restaurants/>) located 5 min walking distance from the IEH (also see map)

For other options, please visit the following website:
<http://www.geneve-tourisme.ch/en/eating-drinking/>

Other information

- Electricity: Switzerland uses plug type J. You may need to bring a plug adaptor.
- Weather: Forecast predicts cloudy to rainy weather at ca. 14°C during day time.
- Time zone: Geneva time is CET, which is GMT + 01:00 hours.

Contact

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Map of the venue location

