

GPA SYMPOSIUM
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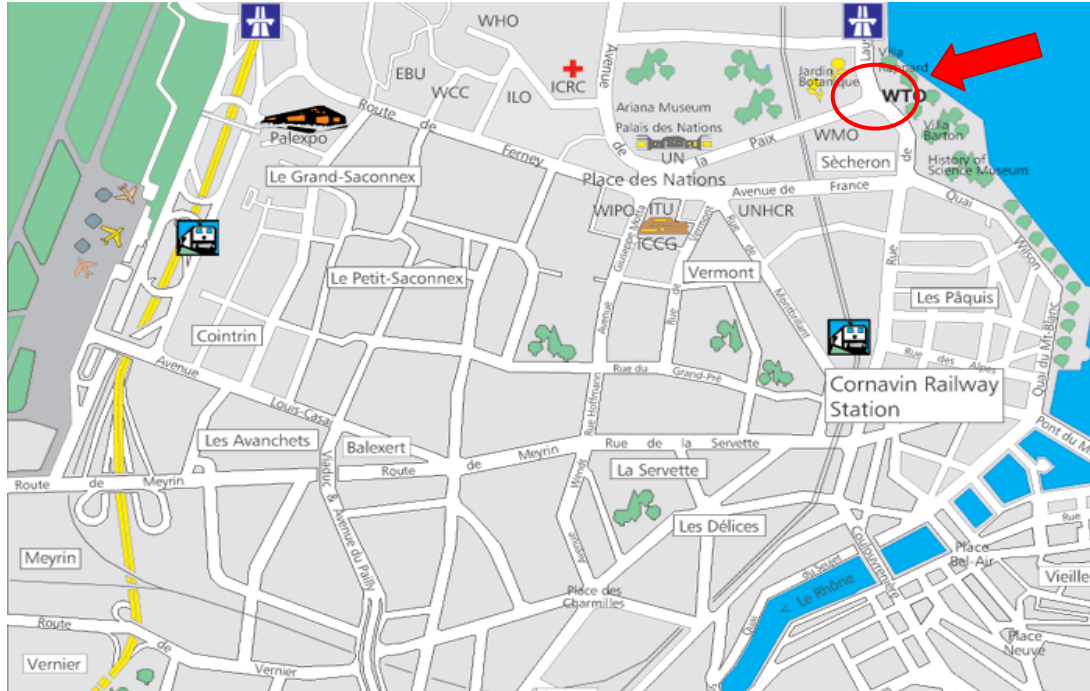
PRACTICAL INFORMATION

How to get to the WTO

Address of the WTO: World Trade Organization, Centre William Rappard, Rue de Lausanne 154, CH-1211 Geneva 21. Tel: +41 22 739 51 11

If you arrive directly from the Geneva Airport: **Bus 28** takes you directly to the WTO (**Jardin Botanique** direction, **get off at Jardin Botanique**, which is also the last stop). Geneva International Airport offers you a free ticket into town, valid throughout the « Tout Genève » zone of the Geneva Public Transport system. You can get the free ticket from the automatic distributor, located in the baggage claim area, just before going through customs. It is valid for 60 minutes and is available to arriving passengers only. If you prefer to take a taxi, they can be found directly outside the arrival hall. A one-way fare to the WTO should be no more than CHF40.

If you are already in town: The WTO is conveniently serviced by four major **bus routes (N°1, N°11, N°25 and N°28)**. Take any of these buses in the direction of **Jardin Botanique**. The WTO building is located across the street from the Jardin Botanique stop. Bus schedules can be found [here](#). A one-way bus fare costs CHF3.00. The ticket is valid for 1 hour.





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Practical details



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Registration: Please note that all participants must be registered to ensure that a badge is available upon their arrival at WTO headquarters. (**Registration for this event closes on 13 September 2015**). Registration can be made online at: [https://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/gproc_e/gpa_symp092015_e.htm]

Badges/security: According to WTO security procedures, all participants must have a valid piece of ID with photo (passport or identity card) in order to collect their badge.

Badges will only be handed over upon exchange of the valid ID with which participants completed their registration before the Forum. Badge collection/ID restitution will be possible between 7:30 and 19:30 on the days of the event. Badges have to be carried visibly at all times while on WTO premises.

Please note that strict security controls will be in place and getting into the building may take some time. Please plan the time of your arrival accordingly. To avoid delay, we request that staff and speakers arrive at least one hour before their scheduled session.

Costs: Participation at the Workshop is free of charge. Where applicable, travel and accommodation costs are to be borne by participants. Please note that the WTO does not organize visa arrangements.

Accommodation

Hotels in Geneva book quickly, so please make sure to arrange your accommodation in advance. Websites like www.expedia.com and www.orbitz.com may be helpful. For more references, please check www.genevashotels.com. Hotels in walking distance to the WTO include Hotel Eden and Hotel Mon Repos. A little further, but still within close proximity, are the luxurious Hotel President Wilson or Intercontinental Hotel.

Restaurant facilities near the WTO

A variety of options are available for dining in or around the WTO

Budget: For a quick bite, the WTO café located in the main building offers all sorts of beverages, sandwiches and salads in a relaxed setting. The WTO cafeteria is open to participants and is located in the new building. Across the street from the WTO (next to the Jardin Botanique stop), there is a small supermarket which is also a popular destination for those interested in fresh sandwiches and salads at reasonable prices.

Mid-range: Barton's Parc cafeteria adjacent to the WTO has many lunch options at prices ranging from CHF14-25. If you are looking for sit-down dining, a Chinese buffet is available at the Tsing Tao Restaurant (12 avenue de Secheron) around the corner from the small supermarket (the buffet costs approximately CHF22 and lunch menus CHF15). There is also a Lebanese restaurant (Layalina, 121 rue de Lausanne). The Hotel Eden restaurant (135 rue de Lausanne) offers Swiss/French/Italian eating. Like most restaurants in Geneva, a reasonably-priced lunch menu or suggestion of the day can be found.

Currency

The currency in Switzerland is the Swiss Franc, often written as CHF or SFr. While the Euro is accepted at most shops and businesses, it is better to exchange your money in advance so as to avoid paying a higher rate. Many smaller stores and supermarkets do not accept credit cards and those that do may ask to see photo ID and charge you. You can get cash in the WTO building at the UBS ATM.

Useful links

Geneva Tourism	http://www.geneve-tourisme.ch/
Weather	http://www.meteoschweiz.admin.ch/web/en/weather.html
Bus Schedule	http://www.tpg.ch
Train Schedule	http://mct.sbb.ch/mct/en/reisen.htm
Geneva Airport	http://www.gva.ch
