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GENEVA LOGISTICAL INFORMATION

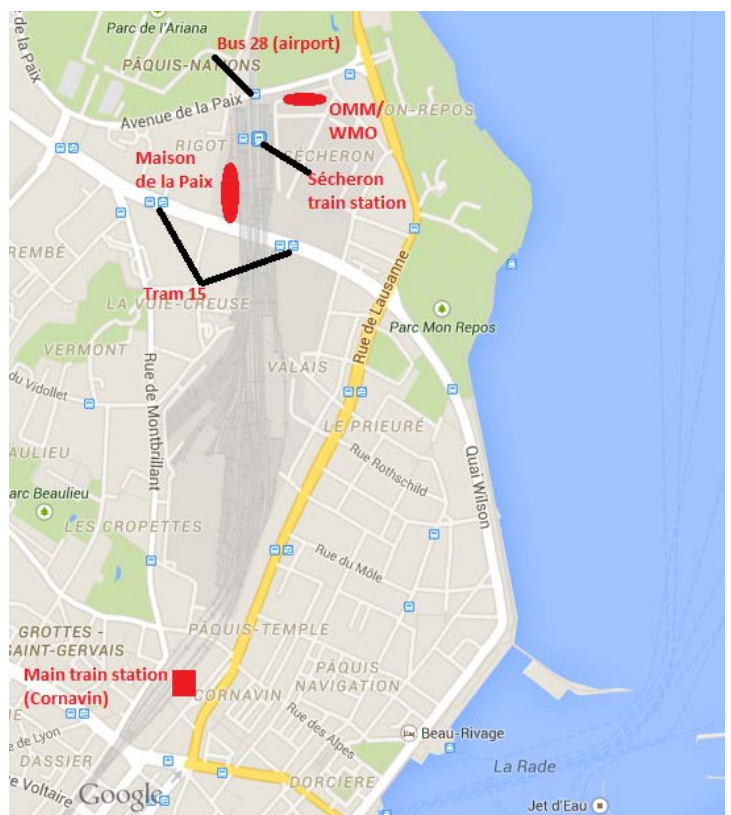
Geneva airport is located close to the centre of town and is very easy to reach by public transportation. The city has a very comprehensive, reliable and frequent public transportation system. The airport and Geneva main train station (gare Cornavin) will be at the heart of DCAF/ISSAT visitors' travel within town. All the major links that may be interesting to DCAF/ISSAT visitors are described below. For environmental reasons, and as public transportation is very efficient and free for visitors staying at hotels, DCAF/ISSAT does not reimburse taxi fares in Geneva.

DCAF/ISSAT's Offices: ISSAT's Offices are located on the **5th floor of DCAF's** premises:

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The entrance to DCAF is located in **Tower 5** at the level of the street. To access the building, please call the reception by ringing the bell located at the entrance of Tower 5 or by the elevators.

The reception is open Monday to Friday from 8.00 to 12.30, and from 13.30 to 17.00 (16.00 on Fridays).



PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Tickets:

Free tickets can be obtained at the airport in the *luggage claim area*. Ticket machines are located both sides of the green and red customs doors. Free tickets cannot be obtained at a later point. These tickets are valid on any train, bus and tram to and in the centre of town for 80 minutes. During your stay in Geneva, you can obtain a free travel pass from your hotel reception desk. This travel pass is valid for the duration of your stay on any bus, tram or regional train in the centre.

Should you have to buy a ticket, there are ticket machines at every bus stop. Select the option "Billet tout Genève (1 heure)" which is valid for 60 minutes on any bus or tram in Geneva, and on trains between Geneva Gare Cornavin and Geneva airport. This ticket costs 3 francs. Modern tickets machines with a digital touch screen accept credit cards; older machine require exact change in coins.



From the airport to the centre:

From the airport, you can either take a train or a bus. Trains run approximately every 15 minutes and it takes 7 minutes to reach Geneva's main train station (Gare Cornavin). The airport train station is located underground and within the airport building - follow the signs "Gare CFF". All trains stop at Cornavin (first stop).

Bus lines 5 and 10 will also take you to Geneva's main train station in about 15 minutes. Buses leave in front of the airport at departure/check in level. Get off at Gare Cornavin (bus 5) or Lyon (bus 10).

From the airport to DCAF Bus 28 will take you straight to DCAF's office in about 20 minutes. Buses leave in front of the airport at departure/check in level. Get off at "Rigot". Walk up on Avenue de la Paix and turn left on Chemin Eugène-Rigot.

From the centre to DCAF: There are two options:

Tram 15 takes you to Maison de la Paix in about 10 minutes. Board the tram on the main square in front of Gare Cornavin (direction Nations). Get off at Maison de la Paix or Sismondi and walk toward Maison de la Paix.

There is a regional train (direction Coppet) that takes you from Gare Cornavin to Maison de la Paix in 3 minutes. There are two trains per hour, at 3 and 33 minutes past the hour. Get off at Genève-Sécheron (first stop). Note that not all trains to Coppet stop at Genève-Sécheron, make sure you are boarding the right train!

How to reach hotels:

- **Hotel Mon Repos:** bus 28 (direction Jardin Botanique) from the airport (get off at Jardin Botanique and walk down towards rue de Lausanne); take bus 1 or 25 (direction Jardin Botanique) from the centre (get off at Sécheron and follow rue de Lausanne).
- **Hotel Eden:** bus 1 or 25 from the station (direction Jardin Botanique), get off at Sécheron and follow rue de Lausanne. Bus 28 from the airport (direction Jardin Botanique), get off at Jardin Botanique and walk down to rue de Lausanne.
- **Hotel Ibis Centre Nations:** from the train station, bus 8 (direction OMS/Appia), get off at Canonnière. From the airport, take bus 5 (direction Thônex Vallard), get off at Vidollet, and walk 4 minutes along rue de Vermont. Turn left on rue du Grand-Pré. From DCAF's premises, take tram 15 at Maison de la Paix or Sismondi (direction Nations) and get off at Nations, then bus 8 (direction Veyrier), get off at Canonnière.
- **Hotel Kipling:** walk along rue de Lausanne from the train station, turn right on rue de la Navigation. Or take bus 1 or 25 towards Jardin Botanique and get off at Navigation.
- **Hotel Edelweiss:** Take bus 1 or 25 towards Jardin Botanique and get off at Navigation.
- **Hotels Auteil Manotel and Royal Manotel:** Walk along rue de Lausanne from the train station.
- **Hotel Lido:** Walk down rue de Chantepoulet from the station.

Conference centres:

OMM/WMO: located on **Avenue de la Paix 7b**.

Take bus 28 from the airport, or bus 1 or 25 from the train station (direction Jardin Botanique). Get off at Jardin Botanique and walk up avenue de la Paix.

Maison de la Paix: located on the ground floor of Maison de la Paix, below DCAF's premises. Separate entrance directly from the street, at chemine Eugène-Rigot 2^E.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Currency:

The currency in Switzerland is the Swiss Franc. Check the currency converter to find out more about the exchange rate:

http://www.snb.ch/en/iabout/stat/statpub/zidea/id/current_interest_exchange_rates#t3.

You can withdraw Swiss Francs at the airport in Geneva, at the train station and various banks. You will also find foreign exchange bureaus around the train station. ATMs are widely available in Swiss cities, and there is one located just outside of DCAF's premises. Credit and debit cards are accepted at most places. Some places accept Euros, but only bills and no coins.

Electricity outlets:

Switzerland has its own standard of electrical plugs, but they are compatible with small two-pin European plugs. You will need a specific adaptor for three-pin plugs or large round two-pin European plugs.



Further information:

Detailed maps can be obtained here: www.maps.google.com

Detailed bus schedules can be obtained here: www.tpg.ch

Detailed train schedules can be obtained here: www.cff.ch

Further information about Geneva can be obtained from Genève Tourisme: www.geneve-tourisme.ch or directly at Rue du Mont-Blanc 18, 1211 Genève (2 minute walk from the train station).



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