

Badges/security: According to WTO security procedures, all participants must have a valid piece of ID (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 21:00 the first day and 7:30 to 19:00 on the last two days.** 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 Forum is free of charge. 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: The cafeteria of the World Meteorological Organization offers a lovely terrace with beautiful views on the Lemman Lake along with lunch options ranging from 12 to 20 CHF. It is open from 12:30 to 14:30 and can be accessed upon presentation of a valid ID. For a quick bite, the WTO café located in the CR building offers all sorts of beverages, sandwiches and salads in a more relaxed setting. 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