



Invitation to the CETAF 38 General Meeting

Geneva, Switzerland
13th – 14th October 2015

Hosts: Conservatory and Botanical Garden of the City of Geneva and Museum of Natural History of the City of Geneva

Venue: *Musée Ariana*, 10 avenue de la Paix, 1202 Geneva

Geneva, 24th July 2015

Dear CETAF Colleagues,

We would like to invite you to the **38th CETAF General Meeting** that will take place in Geneva, Switzerland on the 13th-14th October 2015 at the [Musée Ariana](#). The meeting will be jointly hosted by the Geneva Consortium ([Conservatory and Botanical Garden of the City of Geneva](#) and [Museum of Natural History of the City of Geneva](#)). This meeting will constitute an ordinary General Meeting of the CETAF AISBL.

After discussion and approval of the budget, the CETAF Secretariat work plan 2016-2019 and CETAF membership plan will be proposed for adoption, with renewed 3-year commitments made by CETAF members. The CETAF strategy and strategic development plan will also be launched during this meeting.

The meeting, open to CETAF Directors and representatives and invited guests, will take place at the Musée Ariana (salle polyvalente), located at 10 Avenue de la Paix, 1202 Geneva. The meeting is scheduled to start on Tuesday, 13th October 2015 at 13h00 and to finish at 15h30 on Wednesday, 14th October 2015. Information about transport and accommodation within Geneva is attached with this invitation. Pre- and post-meeting activities as well as meetings of the CETAF working groups will be organised around the main meeting. Information on these activities will follow.

Please register for this meeting by **Friday the 25th September** via email (acasino@naturalsciences.be), but the sooner the better!, indicating your attendance and

We look forward to welcoming you in Geneva.

Yours Sincerely,

Michelle Price
Chair of CETAF & CJBG

Pierre-André Loizeau
*Conservatory and Botanical
Garden of the City of Geneva*

Jacques Ayer
*Museum of Natural History of
the City of Geneva*

Meeting venue [Musée Ariana](#) directions and [goggle map access](#) (coordinates: N46°13'31 - E6°8'19)

The meeting venue (Musée Ariana, 10 Avenue de la Paix) is located near to the United Nations building (Palais des Nations) and is just “around the corner” from the Botanical Gardens (Conservatoire et Jardin botaniques de la Ville de Genève) as well as the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Museum, the World Trade Organisation, the UNHCR - UN Refugee Agency and the World Meteorological Organisation.

The Musée Ariana is a short walk from the stop “Nations” for tram 15 and bus nos. 5, 8, 11, 22, 28 or an even shorter walk from “Appia” bus nos. 8 and 28. It can also be reached by taking buses 1 and 25 to “Jardin botanique” with a slightly longer walk up Avenue de la Paix (around 15 mins).

Staying in Geneva and looking for hotels

Geneva is not a large city and it is easy to get around by foot or via the public transport system (trams, trains, buses and boats!), see [Transport publics genevois](#).

Travel sites:

[Ebookers.ch](#)

[Booking.com](#)

[Hotels.com](#)

Geneva and Swiss Tourism sites

[Geneva tourism office](#) (with hotel booking function)

[My Switzerland.com](#) (with hotel booking function)

Getting from the airport to the city centre

On arrival, do not forget to get a free 80-minute transport ticket from the ticket machines in the luggage claim hall at the airport.

Trains from the airport: The train takes six minutes from the airport to the city centre – all trains stop at Geneva Central station (Gare Cornavin).

Buses from the airport: Bus nos. 5 and 10 connect the airport to the main train station (Gare Cornavin) and bus no. 28 connects the airport and Botanical Garden (stop “Jardin botanique”).

Getting around within Geneva - free public transport in and around the city

Throughout your stay in Geneva you can use the public transport network in Geneva (UNIRESO: bus and tram (TPG), train (CFF) and taxi-boats (Mouettes Genevoises) free of charge using the **Geneva Transport Card** that will be provided by your hotel (ask at the reception of your hotel upon arrival).

Route planning can be done using the [Transport publics genevois](#) site.