PRACTICAL INFORMATION NOTE

We are pleased to provide updated information on the 31st Stop TB Partnership Board Meeting (29-30 January) and related meetings and events being held from 28–30 January 2019.

We look forward to welcoming you in Geneva!

REGISTRATION

If you have not done so already, please confirm your participation to the 31st Stop TB Partnership Board Meeting as soon as possible by sending an email to the Board Affairs team: boardaffairs@stoptb.org.

The Board Affairs team also kindly requests details of your arrival, departure and accommodation.

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

Monday, 28 January 2019

09.30-12.00  Pre-Board Briefings  Global Health Campus, Room: Forum
16.00-18.00  Briefing for UN Missions  Palais des Nations, Room VII
18.00-19.00  Reception  Palais des Nations

Tuesday, 29 January 2019

08.30-09.00  Registration & Welcome Coffee  Global Health Campus, Room: Forum
09.00-17.30  31st Board Meeting  Global Health Campus, Room: Forum
19.30  Board Reception  Venue TBC

Wednesday, 30 January 2019

09.00-18.15  31st Board Meeting  Global Health Campus, Room: Forum

STOP TB PARTNERSHIP BOARD MEETING VENUE

The Forum (Level 1)
Global Health Campus (GHC)
40, Chemin du Pommier
1218 Le Grand-Saconnex (Canton of Geneva)
Switzerland
GHC Reception Tel : +41 058 791 17 00
Map: https://bit.ly/2Tg2LOA
**Geneva Public Transportation**

**TPG**

**Hotels in Geneva** offer guests a free transportation pass for the duration of your stay. Please inquire at the hotel reception desk. [Geneva transport card](#)

**TPG tickets**: bus and tram ticket machines are at every stop. Itineraries, timetables and fare information are available on the website: [TPG.ch](#) (TPG). Please ensure your ticket is valid prior to boarding.

**TPG to the Global Health Campus**:
GHC is served by buses 5, 5+, F, 22 and 28. The closest bus stop is Le Pommier.

**Hotel Accommodation**

Geneva has several hotel options. The selected hotels below have a direct bus connection to the Global Health Campus. Below rates are based on single occupancy and include taxes, Wi-fi and breakfast.

To benefit from the below rates, kindly make your reservations with the hotel before **10 December 2018**:

- Hotel Intercontinental à CHF 455/night  
  7-9, Chemin du Petit Saconnex  
  1209 Geneva  
  Tel: (+41) 22.919.39.39  
  [www.intercontinental.com/geneva](#)  
  5 minutes bus ride (nr 5) from the Global Health Campus  

- Hotel Le Montbrillant à CHF 140/night  
  2, Rue de Montbrillant  
  1201 Geneva  
  Tel: (+41) 22.733.77.84  
  [www.montbrillant.ch](#)  
  15 minutes bus ride (nr 5 or 5+) from the Global Health Campus  

- Hotel NH City à CHF 165/night  
  42, Avenue Wendt  
  1203 Geneva  
  Tel: (+41) 22.544.74.74  
  [https://www.nh-hotels.com/hotels/geneva](#)  
  15 minutes bus ride (nr 5+11) from the Global Health Campus  

- Hotel Ibis Centre Nations à CHF 150/night  
  Rue du Grand Pré, 33-35  
  1202 Geneva  
  Tel: 00 41 22 919 20 30  
  [http://ibis-geneve-centre-nations.hotels-geneva.org/en/](#)  
  10 minutes bus ride (nr 8+5) from the Global Health Campus
**Geneva Airport**

Genève-Cointrin International Airport
The airport is located 4 km (2.5 mi) northwest of Geneva city center.

**GVA Free Wi-Fi:** The airport has free internet connection service, using SMS, boarding pass scan and self-service counters in the terminal (ID details are required for access).

**Transportation from the Airport**
Free public transportation tickets are offered at the airport from a distribution machine in the baggage area. Tickets are valid for 80 minutes. [Airport public transport](http://www.taxi-phone.ch)

There is a railway station (SBB CFF FFS) with trains that stop at Geneva-Cornavin central station. There are also TPG buses (5, 5+, 10, 23, 28, 57, Y) that connect to Geneva and neighboring France.

Taxis and Uber are located outside the Arrivals exit doors. A taxi to the Global Health Campus costs approximately 30 Swiss Francs and takes 15 minutes.
Taxi contact info:
+41 (0) 22 33 141 33; [http://www.taxi-phone.ch](http://www.taxi-phone.ch)
+41 (0) 22 320 20 20; [http://www.geneve-taxi.ch](http://www.geneve-taxi.ch)

*(Please also refer also to page 2 for additional information about Geneva Public transportation- TPG.)*

**Visa**

Entry to Switzerland requires a Schengen visa. As it may take up to 4 weeks to process your visa application, we advise that you apply as soon as possible. Please contact your local Embassy or Consulate for more details: [Schengen Visa Application requirements](http://www.geneve-taxi.ch)

**Visa Support Letter:** If you require a visa support letter from the Stop TB Partnership, please make the request by email to [boardaffairs@stoptb.org](mailto:boardaffairs@stoptb.org) with a copy of your passport.

**Insurance**

We advise all participants to ensure appropriate insurance coverage.

**Safety**

Geneva is a safe city. Nevertheless, pickpockets are in crowded areas on buses, trams and around stations.

**Emergency numbers:**
Police: 117
Fire service: 118
Ambulance: 144
CURRENCY

Swiss Franc (CHF) is the currency used in Switzerland. 1 USD dollar is 1.01 Swiss Franc (as of Nov. 2018).

Credit cards are widely accepted and most banks have ATMs. Some businesses have minimum purchase requirements for credit card payments. Authorized currency exchange is available in the airport arrivals area and by the Cornavin Station.

COMMUNICATION

The telephone country code for Switzerland is +41. The area code for Geneva is 22.

POWER

The electrical current is 230V, 50 Hz. Switzerland uses a Type J power plug which is recessed, three-holed, hexagonally shaped and incompatible with many plugs from abroad. (Note: you can usually use the standard European two-pronged plug.)

LANGUAGE

English is the official language of the Stop TB Board. All presentations and discussions will be in English.

The official language in Geneva is French. English is widely spoken.

WEATHER AND TIME

The average temperature in January is -2°C (28°F). There can be rain, strong winds (called: La Bise) and snow.

Geneva is on Central European Time (CET) UTC/GMT +1.

TIPPING

A service charge is typically added into the bill at restaurants. If this is the case, you do not need to leave an additional tip. However, if you are happy with your service, you can round the bill to the nearest franc.

NO-SMOKING ZONES

In Switzerland smoking is not permitted in enclosed areas or public areas that serve as a workplace. No-smoking zones include restaurants, public transportation, public buildings and offices.

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DOCUMENTS

The 31st Stop TB Partnership Board will be a paperless meeting. All documents will be made available online and participants will be provided with a USB key containing all documents onsite. Printing may be requested one week in advance at boardaffairs@stoptb.org