The International Forum on Food Safety and Trade

The FAO/WHO/WTO International Forum on Food Safety and Trade will be hosted by the World Trade Organization (WTO) at the headquarter of the WTO in Geneva, Switzerland.

Geneva is spectacularly located between the Alps and the Jura on the lake of Geneva and is considered the major economic and diplomatic center of Europe. The Centre William Rappard has a unique history and its adjacent conference center offers modern conference facilities, regularly hosting international conferences.

Average temperatures in Geneva during April are between a high of 15 and a low of 5 degrees Celsius. Local time is UTC/GMT +1. Official language is French, although English is widely spoken. Country Calling Code is +41. Power plugs and sockets are of type J. The standard voltage is 230 V and the standard frequency is 50 Hz.

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How to get to the WTO

If you arrive directly from Geneva Airport: Bus 28 takes you directly to the WTO (direction Jardin Botanique). 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 ticket from the automatic distributor, located in the baggage claim area, just before going through customs. It is valid for 80 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 cost 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 bus stop. A one-way bus fare costs CHF3.00. The ticket is valid for 1 hour.

Useful links

Geneva Tourism http://www.geneve-tourisme.ch/
Bus Schedule http://www.tpg.ch/en/web/site-international
Train Schedule http://www.sbb.ch/en/home.html
Geneva Airport http://www.gva.ch