## 9<sup>th</sup> Global Review of AID FOR TRADE





### Aid for Trade Global Review 2024

### **Practical information**

The Aid for Trade Global Review 2024 will bring the trade and development community together to examine how development cooperation can help developing countries address their trade-related challenges and create new opportunities for them. This year's Global Review will be focusing on mainstreaming trade, food security and digital connectivity. It will be held from 26 to 28 June at the WTO Headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland.

### How to get to the WTO

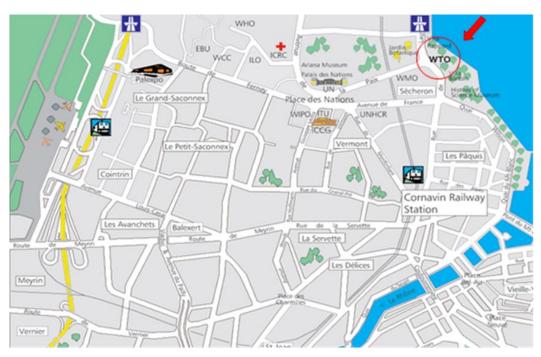
**Address of the WTO:** World Trade Organization, Centre William Rappard, Rue de Lausanne 154, CH-1211 Geneva 21. Tel: +41 22 739 51 11

### If you arrive directly from the Geneva Airport:

By bus: Take bus n°.5 (going direction Thônex, Vallard) and get off at the 7<sup>th</sup> stop at "Nations" (ten minutes journey). From here, it is either a ten minute walk down the Avenue de la Paix to the WTO, or you can take Bus n°.11 (going direction Jardin Botanique) and get off two stops later at the Jardin Botanique.

By taxi: There is a taxi rank which can be found directly outside the airport arrival hall. A one-way fare to the WTO should be between 20-30CHF, and a supplement per bag may be applied. Please note that during rush hour the roads in Geneva become heavily congested.

If you are already in town: The WTO is conveniently serviced by four major bus routes (N°1, N°11, N°22 and N°25). 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. Bus schedules can be found here. A one-way bus fare costs CHF3. The ticket is valid for 1 hour.

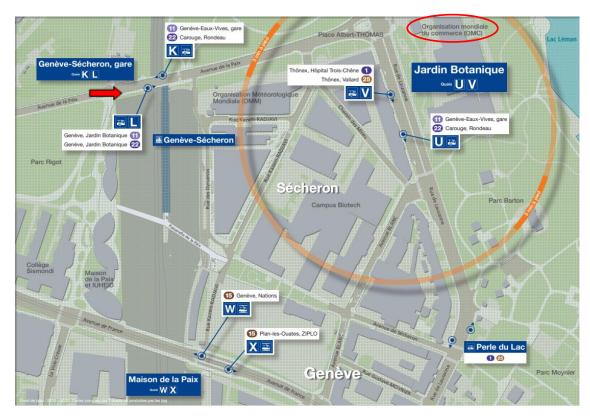


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**Registration**: Please note that all participants must be registered to ensure that a badge is available upon their arrival at WTO headquarters. Officials already in possession of valid badge access to the WTO do not need a badge specifically for the Global Review event.

A full list of registered participants will be submitted to the Swiss Authorities prior to the event.

**Badges/security:** Please note that a valid ID has to be presented at the WTO Welcome Pavilion in order to obtain a badge. Badge collection will take place on 26 June from 7:30 to 18:00; on 27 June from 7:30 to 18:00 and on 28 June from 7:30 to 09:30.

Badges must be carried visibly at all times while on WTO premises. Please note that strict security controls will be in place and getting into the WTO premises may take some time. Please plan the time of your arrival accordingly. To avoid delay, we request that speakers arrive at least one hour before their scheduled session. Please note that participants who leave the WTO premises will be screened again upon their return.

**Costs and visa arrangements**: Participation at the Global Review meeting is free of charge. Travel and accommodation costs are to be borne by participants. Please note that the WTO does not organize visa arrangements.

### Please note the following:

- There are no parking spaces available on the WTO premises
- The WTO is a non-smoking environment
- No food or drinks are allowed in the meeting rooms

### Currency

The currency in Switzerland is the Swiss Franc, often written as CHF or SFr. While the Euro is accepted at some shops and businesses, it is better to exchange your money in advance, so as to avoid paying a higher rate. As in other places in the world, use of a credit card may be subject to bank charges. There is a UBS ATM inside the WTO building for cash withdrawals.

#### Accommodation

Hotels in Geneva book quickly, so please make sure to arrange your accommodation in advance. Hotels within walking distance to the WTO include the <u>Hotel Eden</u> and <u>Hotel Mon Repos</u>.

#### **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 <a href="http://mct.sbb.ch/mct/en/reisen.htm">http://mct.sbb.ch/mct/en/reisen.htm</a>

Geneva Airport <a href="http://www.gva.ch">http://www.gva.ch</a>