

18th MEETING OF THE
UNAIDS PROGRAMME COORDINATING BOARD
27-28 JUNE 2006

INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

Venue

The eighteenth meeting of the Programme Coordinating Board will be held at the International Conference Centre Geneva (CICG) - 17, rue de Varembe, Geneva. The CICG is located near the Place des Nations. Plenary sessions will be held on the ground floor in room 2.

Time

The meeting will open at 9 a.m. on 27 June and is anticipated to close at approximately 6 p.m. on 28 June.

Access to the International Conference Centre Geneva (CICG)

Parking: There is available underground parking in the nearby public parking on Place des Nations. Participants can get tickets for one day parking at the cost of CHF 8.--. These tickets will be sold at the registration desk.

By bus: The best access to CICG from the Geneva Cornavin railway station is by bus number 5 or 8 (at least 7 buses per hour) – participants will have to get off at bus stop “Vermont” and then walk for 2 minutes. From Geneva Cointrin International Airport bus number 28 offers a direct connection (3 buses per hour) – participants will have to get off at bus stop “Nations” and then walk for 5 minutes.

By taxi: The numbers most frequently used for calling taxis are:
022 320 22 02 - 022 331 41 33 - 022 320 20 20.

Registration of participants/Information Desk

Badges will be issued at the Registration/Information Desk set up in the lobby at the entrance of the conference centre. Registration starts at 8:15 a.m. on 27 June 2006.

Reception for participants

A reception is foreseen to take place on 27 June from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. All participants will receive an invitation during registration on 27 June.

Documents

All meeting documents will be available at the entrance of room 2. Documents will also be available on the UNAIDS website at the beginning of June:
<http://www.unaids.org/en/AboutUNAIDS/Governance/ProgrammeCoordinatingBoard.asp>

Internet area

Computers with access to the internet will be available to delegates in the lobby of the conference centre. Wi-fi access is also available throughout the centre.

Post office and newspaper

The post office is located just outside the center on rue de Varembé and is open from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Newspapers can be bought at the bar of the center.

Catering services

A 600-place self-service restaurant and one bar are available on the CICG premises. There are also 5 restaurants in the vicinity of the conference center.

Personal Security

Geneva can be regarded as a safe city with a low rate of violent crime. However, pickpocketing and purse or cell-phone snatching do occur in the vicinity of train and bus stations, airports and in some public parks. Do not leave anything on car seats. Doing so attracts the attention of thieves. Never leave bags containing money, airline tickets, credit cards or passports in a parked car. Thefts frequently occur as a result of that.

Emergency numbers are:

- Police 117
- Ambulance 144
- Fire 118
- Roadside assistance 140

Weather

Geneva climate is mild with average temperatures in the months of June varying from an overnight low of 11°C (52° F), although the temperature may go as high as 29°C (85°F) during the day. The weather is usually sunny and warm but it is also very variable at the end the spring season, when a raincoat could be necessary.

