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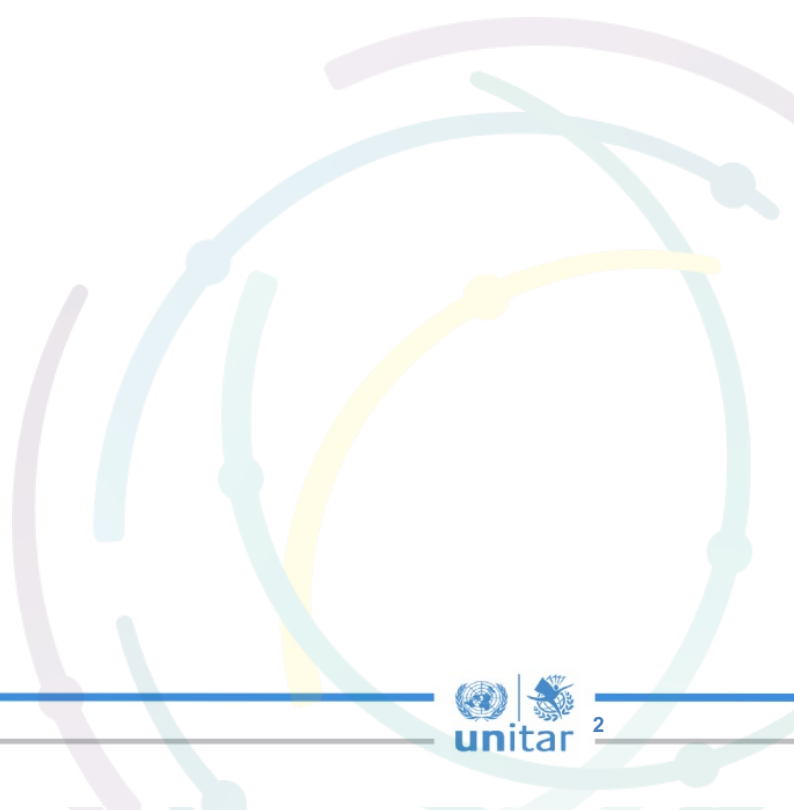
Geneva Science Diplomacy Week 2023

Immersion Programme

Welcome Guide

Geneva, 8 – 12 May 2023





Welcome

On behalf of GESDA, UNITAR and all our partners, welcome to Geneva and congratulations on your selection to the second edition of the Science Diplomacy Week. This programme has been designed by 18 Geneva, Swiss and global diplomatic and academic institutions to provide you with an unparalleled immersion, learning and networking experience into the dynamic science and diplomacy ecosystem of International Geneva.

This week you will explore questions such as: How can we bring current and anticipated scientific breakthroughs to the forefront of policymaking to tackle global challenges? How to ensure humanity fully captures the benefits of new scientific advances, while avoiding their unintended consequences? How the evolving practice and research of science diplomacy in Geneva, Switzerland and the world relate to the new geopolitical reality? What are the key scientific areas, trends and areas of innovation that require new diplomatic envelopes and new forms of multilateral and multi-stakeholder governance? And what are the roles for academia, government, international organizations, business and citizens in this transformation?

We hope you will leave this programme better equipped to tackle the 21st century's issues of major scientific and public importance. And we hope this is only the beginning of a fruitful collaboration and partnership with you, your countries and organizations to strengthen science diplomacy around the world for a more effective multilateral system.

Enjoy the journey!

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Nikhil Seth
Executive Director
UNITAR

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stéphane Decoutère".

Stéphane Decoutère
Secretary General of the Board
GESDA

Map

Day 1:

Palais des Nations – Room XXIV

World Meteorological Organization (WMO) – Salle Obasi and Attic

Day 2:

UNIGE – Room C1/C2 – Rue Colladon 2

Global Studies Institute

Day 3:

Maison de la Paix:

Geneva Graduate Institute

Geneva Centre for Security Policy

Day 4:

CERN

Impact Hub Geneva

Day 5:

Campus Biotech

World Meteorological Organization (WMO)

Farewell Dinner Cruise – Lake Geneva



Please refer to this link for all the programme locations on Google Maps:

<https://www.google.com/maps>

Overview

The Geneva Science Diplomacy Week 2023 is an annual learning and networking experience into the science and diplomacy ecosystem of International Geneva. Initiated in 2022 by the Geneva Science and Diplomacy Anticipator Foundation (GESDA) and organized in partnership with 17 Geneva, Swiss and global academic and diplomatic institutions, the program brings together the current and next generation of leaders from around the world for an intensive week of dialogue and exchange with the key international agencies, diplomatic missions, academic institutions, global NGOs and technology leaders shaping the future of science for multilateralism.

Based on the key anticipated trends and areas of innovation featured in the [GESDA Science Breakthrough Radar](#), the Geneva Science Diplomacy Week provides you with an entry point into the rapidly evolving practice and research of science diplomacy in Geneva, Switzerland and the world, and a platform to learn and discuss the adaptation of diplomacy, multilateral governance, academia and business in the face of the coming decades of systemic change.

Learning Goals

The Geneva Science Diplomacy Week Immersion Programme aims to provide the knowledge, skills and networks to empower the current and next generation of leaders across academic, diplomatic, impact and citizen communities to successfully navigate the growing complexity of science-diplomacy interfaces and foster boundary-spanning professionals and institutions.

At the end of programme, you will:

- Understand the growing importance of anticipatory science diplomacy as an emerging discipline that unites science with world affairs.
- Learn about the most significant scientific breakthroughs in five, 10, and 25 years and their impact on people, society and the planet.
- Jointly devise with science and policy leaders from around the world the future diplomatic envelopes needed to embrace science advances for the greatest benefit of humanity, while minimizing their risks and undesirable consequences.
- Learn to apply cutting-edge anticipation methodologies, scientific insights and new diplomatic tools and practices for improving negotiation processes, international conflict resolution and global governance for responding to global challenges.
- Become part of a vibrant and global alumni community to amplify the reach and impact of science diplomacy around the world.



List of Participants



Dr. Alice Pannier – France – French Institute of International Relations (IFRI)

Dr. Pannier is the head of Geopolitics of Technology program at IFRI. She focuses on Europe's technology policies and external relations. She holds a doctorate in political science from IEP Paris and is a graduate of King's College London and Panthéon-Sorbonne University.

Mr. Ignacio Vazquez Larruscain – UK – The Wellcome Trust

Mr. Vazquez works as a project lead in the policy team of the Wellcome Trust, a global charitable health research funder. Ignacio has 20+ years of experience as a political and campaign strategist for the UK Government, European Commission and a number of international civil society organisations. Ignacio has a BSc in Chemistry, a MA in Film and speaks English, Spanish and French.



Dr. Brian Leung – USA – National Science Foundation

Dr. Leung is a former neuroscientist and immunologist. He currently directs international projects related to global environmental change programs. He is an AAAS/IAI Science and Technology Policy Fellow at the National Science Foundation, working on funding call and capacity building program through Belmont Forum.

Dr. Ron Stoop – Switzerland – Lausanne University & University Hospital

Dr. Stoop is professor at the Lausanne University and University Hospital in Switzerland. His research focuses on the neurobiological basis of emotions, through which he also promotes international scientific collaboration.



Dr. Kyle Gustafson – Brazil – Office of Naval Research Global

Kyle is a transdisciplinary physicist working on data-driven models of complex systems for national security applications within the US Naval Research Enterprise. In October 2021, he relocated to São Paulo, Brazil, to serve as an Office of Naval Research - Global Science Director where he is scouting and funding research at innovative, unique science laboratories in Brazil, Argentina, and beyond. The goal at ONR Global is to fill gaps and identify new directions for global security priorities while supporting fundamental scientific research for the common good.

Dr. Victoria Grinberg – Netherlands – European Space Agency (ESA)

Dr. Grinberg is an astrophysicist and serves as liaison scientist with the Directorate of Science at the European Space Agency, ESA. She focusses on X-ray astrophysics and has recently won the Röntgen-Preis an der Justus-Liebig-Universität Gießen. Dr. Grinberg has additional interests in science communication and societal and environmental impact of (space-based) research.



Dr. Philippe Caroff – Switzerland – EPFL Quantum Science and Engineering Center

Dr. Caroff is executive director of the EPFL Quantum Science and Engineering Center. Previously he was a principal research manager at Microsoft Quantum working on growing quantum material crystals. Philippe's background lies in compound semiconductor nanotechnology and quantum materials, with academic research roles at Lund University, CNRS France, and the Australian National University.

Mr. Denis Naughten – Ireland – Parliament of Ireland

Mr. Naughten has been a directly elected MP in Ireland and is the Chairperson of the Inter-Parliamentary Union Working Group on Science and Technology. He has served as an Irish Cabinet Minister with responsibility for Energy, Climate, Communications, Environment and Natural Resources in addition to 3 separate Councils of the European Union Ministers. Denis is Chair of the Irish Parliamentary Committee on Social Protection, Community & Rural Development, and the Islands.



Dr. Karine Sargsyan – Austria – Cancer Center, Cedars Sinai Medical Center (USA) & International Biobanking and Education, Medical University of Graz

Life sciences, research strategy, and science implementation enthusiast who does not think outside of the box because the box does not exist. Experienced science Managing Director of International Biobanking and Education at the Medical University of Graz in Austria and at the Cancer Center of Cedars Sinai Medical Center, Beverly Hills, CA, USA. Skilled in interdisciplinary, international, and Clinical Research with solid business development assets.

Ms. Sahar Albazar – Egypt – Egyptian Parliament

Ms. Albazar is the Deputy Chair of the Foreign Affairs Committee at the Egyptian House of Representatives and a Young Global Leader of the World Economic Forum.



Dr. Sabina R. Stadler – Slovenia – Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs

Dr. Stadler has been a diplomat throughout all her professional life. She worked many years in Brussels, at the General Secretariat of the EU Council and EEAS. In the national system in Slovenia she worked – among others – in the OPM, obtained the rank of Ambassador while heading Slovenia's Mission in Geneva and currently works as Chief Strategist at the MFEA.



Ms. Samantha Murphy – USA – UN DPPA

Sami Murphy is a Programme Manager for the United Nations Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs Innovation Cell (UN DPPA IC). Her subject area expertise is in designing and implementing geospatial projects built to support environmental and human security. She is passionate about interdisciplinary storytelling with data and maps as well as elevating indigenous knowledge within geospatial frameworks.

Ms. Leah Soroko – Canada – Canadian Institute for Advanced Research (CIFAR)

Leah Soroko is Manager of Strategic Research Initiatives with CIFAR (Canadian Institute for Advanced Research). Previously, she led policy development and implementation of research funding and innovation initiatives with the Ontario government. Leah holds a PhD in Political Science from the University of Toronto.



Ms. Isabella Bassani – Brazil – Geneva Internet Platform

Isabella Bassani is a lawyer with over 4 years of expertise in commercial law and a diverse range of digital policy issues, including e-commerce, data governance, and ethical considerations related to data-driven technologies. She earned an MPA in Digital Technologies and Policy from the University College London, further advancing her knowledge and understanding of the digital policy landscape. Currently, she is a Digital Watch Knowledge Fellow at the Geneva Internet Platform, and serve as a Research Assistant at the University of St. Gallen, where she continues to explore the complexities of digital governance and how it shapes society.

Ms. Emily ter Steeg – Netherlands – Wageningen University and International Center for Future Generations

Ms. ter Steeg works as an academic and science liaison for the International Center For Future Generations (ICFG), an European think- and do-tank focused on existential risk. Moreover, she is doing her PhD at Wageningen University in development economics focusing on the impact of Dutch vegetable seed on food security in low-tech markets.





Dr. Giulia Bruno – USA/Italy – MIT and IIT

Dr. Giulia Bruno is a researcher working at Massachusetts and Italian Institute of Technology. Her research, funded by a Marie Skłodowska-Curie Global fellowship, is focused on the use of linear optics and machine learning techniques for non-invasive evaluation of neurodegenerative diseases and brain organoids development. She is a member of the Marie Curie Alumni Association and recently joined the Policy working group.

Mr. Pardeep Singh – USA – British Consulate-General

Mr. Singh is the Head for Science and Innovation at the British Consulate in Los Angeles, California. He is an active member in the science policy community in the United States and is a proud born and raised New Yorker.



Dr. Madison Rilling – Canada – Optonique (Québec's Cluster for Excellence in Optics & Photonics - NGO)

Dr. Rilling is the Executive Director of Optonique, a non-profit organization focused on developing the photonics ecosystem in Québec, Canada. She has contributed to science advice for government and science diplomacy efforts at both the provincial and federal levels. Her educational background includes a Joint Honours degree in Math and Physics, a Master's in Medical Physics and a PhD in Physics.

Mr. Oscar Contreras Villarroel – Chile – Giant Magellan Telescope (GMTO Corporation)

Mr. Contreras is Vice President at the Giant Magellan Telescope and founder of Fundación Ciencia Joven. He has 15 years of experience in government relations, multi-stakeholders partnership development, science project management, fundraising, grantmaking and philanthropy. He holds a Master in Public Policy and a Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry.



Dr. Munira Raji – UK – University of Plymouth

Dr. Raji is a Sustainable Energy Geoscientist at the University of Plymouth, UK, and also holds visiting researcher positions at the University of Portsmouth and the University of Hull, UK. She holds a PhD in Geological Sciences from Durham University, a BSc in Geology from the University of Portsmouth, an MSc in Petroleum Geosciences from the University of Derby, and a Certificate in Science Diplomacy from the Institut Barcelona d'Estudis Internacionals. Munira's research focuses on sustainable energy development, JUST energy transition, and using geoscience diplomacy to promote human progress.

Ms. Futoon Al Mahruqi – Oman – Foreign Ministry

Second Secretary Futoon Al Mahruqi graduated from the University of Manchester with a degree in International Relations and Security Studies. She currently serves as a diplomat at the Foreign Ministry of Oman, and has a strong interest in science diplomacy, conflict resolution, and mediation.



Ms. Kritika Roy – Germany – DCSO German Cyber Security Organization GmbH

Ms. Roy is currently pursuing a Master's degree in International Affairs at the Hertie School in Berlin, while also serving as a threat intelligence researcher at Deutsche Cyber-Sicherheitsorganisation (DCSO GmbH). Her research mainly focuses on cybersecurity and delves into the intersection of emerging technology, particularly AI, and international security.

Mr. Francisco Ashley Acedillo – Philippines – Senate of the Philippines

Mr. Acedillo currently serves as chief of staff and cybersecurity adviser in the Senate of the Philippines, shortly after serving as Assistant Vice President for Cyber Strategy in the Philippines' largest integrated telecommunications company (2019-2022). Concurrently, since 2020, he has been serving as National President of the Philippines-based cybersecurity non-profit PICSPRO.



Mr. Hatim Aznague – Morocco – The Arab Youth Council for Climate Change (AYCCC)

Hatim Aznague is a climate justice advocate and activist from Morocco. He is a member of the Arab Youth Council for Climate Change in Dubai and has led bilateral and multilateral communications and negotiations on climate change and climate diplomacy. Hatim is the official youth delegate of the Kingdom of Morocco at COP and serves as a United Nations High-Level Commissioner in the United Nations High-Level Commission on Nairobi Summit on ICPD25 Follow-up.

Ms. Tricca Thato Morokong – South Africa – Department of Science and Innovation of the Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Innovation

Ms Thato Morokong is an Assistant Director within the Africa Multilateral Cooperation Directorate of the Department of Science and Innovation (DSI) in South Africa. She contributes to the coordination of South Africa's participation in regional, continental and Africa-Europe science, technology and innovation (STI) partnerships and projects of the Department, within the scope of the different partnership portfolios. Through her role, she ensures partnership linkages, and alignment of STI priorities through among others, facilitating South Africa's participation in strategic regional, continental and bi-regional research and innovation initiatives.





Ms. Claudia Taboada – Dominican Republic – Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Claudia Taboada currently serves as Director of Science, Technology and Environment at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Dominican Republic, making her the first young woman to hold the position. She has over 8 years of experience in multilateral affairs and over a decade in youth engagement and empowerment. In her free time she is an active member of her community, spearheading initiatives that engage youth with the Sustainable Development Goals, climate action and peace.

Dr. Rafael Mesquita de Souza Lima – Brazil – Federal University of Pernambuco (UEPE)

Dr. Mesquita is an Assistant Professor at the Political Science Department of UFPE, Brazil. His research focuses on regional powers, international organizations, and quantitative analysis of diplomacy. He is a member of the "Data Diplomacy" project and the coordinator of the CNPq-funded research project "Multilateralism and global challenges".



Mr. Mohamed Elmokadem – Switzerland – UNOHCHR

Mr. Elmokadem is a data scientist at OHCHR headquarters in Geneva, with a master's degree in data science and geospatial technologies. With a passion for utilizing data to drive insights and inform decision-making, Mohamed leverages his expertise to uncover hidden patterns and trends in complex data sets.

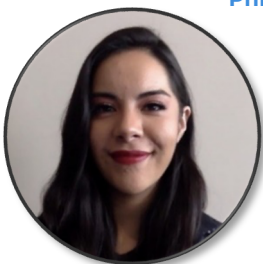
Dr. Lucie Qian Xia – UK – London School of Economics and Political Science

Lucie Qian Xia is a diplomatic scholar and advisor. She holds a doctorate in diplomatic studies from the University of Oxford and has previously served the EU Delegation to China and the UN Representation Office to the EU. Her work intersects EU-China relations, geopolitics and multilateral governance.



PhD Student Claudia Alarcon Lopez – Mexico/Switzerland – Joint Doctoral Program ETH-EPFL

Claudia Alarcón is a Mexican young scientist with valuable experience in research, science outreach, and entrepreneurship. After graduating with honors of her bachelors in nanotechnology engineering at Tec de Monterrey, Mexico, she worked in industry and later followed graduate school in Europe in neuroscience topics. She has always complemented her professional career with social impact, the reason why she founded Ciencia Sí®, a STEM empowerment and event facilitator company in LATAM. Currently, she studies her dual PhD at ETH-EPFL, Switzerland. Throughout her career, she has been a top class science communicator working with Nobel Laureates, diverse Academic-Research institutions and governmental bodies in LATAM and Spain, leading her path towards science diplomacy training. Empowering society through science is her goal.



Organizing team

GESDA team



Dr. Marga Gual Soler – Switzerland/Spain - GESDA

Dr. Marga Gual Soler is the Head of Science Diplomacy Capacity Building at GESDA and the Geneva Science Diplomacy Week Program Director. She has over 10 years of experience advancing research, education and practice in science diplomacy globally and has advised the science diplomacy strategies of numerous governments and international organizations in Europe, North America and Latin America. She holds a PhD in Molecular Biology and completed executive education programs at Georgetown University and Harvard Kennedy School. In 2019 she participated in the largest expedition of women in science to Antarctica and in 2020 was named a Young Global Leader by the World Economic Forum..

Ms. Veronica Monni – Italy - GESDA

Veronica's background is in international management and she supports GESDA in the operational phase of Solutions development and acceleration.



Mr. Markus Schilter- Switzerland - GESDA

Markus Schilter is a Program Manager at GESDA. In his role, he bridges strategy and execution to accelerate progress in science diplomacy. Markus holds a Master's Degree in International Political Economy from King's College London. He is committed to multilateralism and positive-sum outcomes.

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Consultant, UNITAR, Division for Multilateral Diplomacy



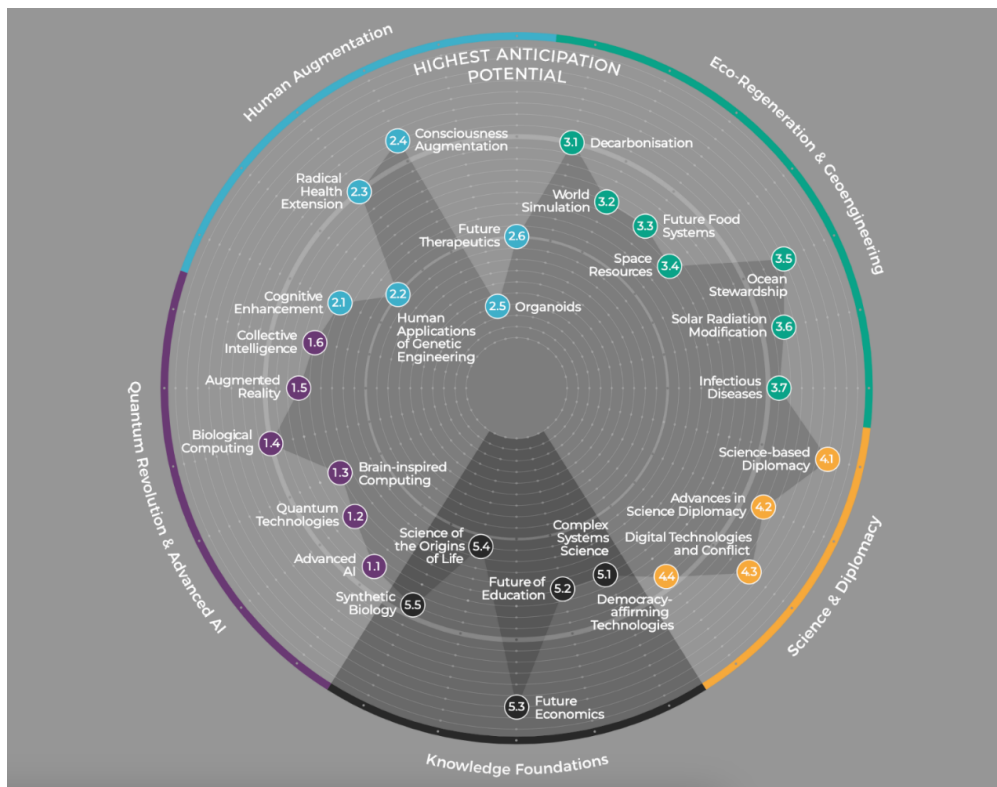
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GESDA Science Breakthrough Radar

The Geneva Science and Diplomacy Anticipator (GESDA) is a Swiss foundation established in Geneva and with global reach, with the mission to promote anticipatory science and diplomacy for greater impact and multilateral effectiveness. The [Science Breakthrough Radar](https://radar.gesda.global/) is GESDA's interactive instrument providing a new tool and single point of entry for the multilateral system to catch up with the unprecedented pace of science and technology, and a factual basis for eye-opening reflections on the impacts of future scientific discoveries for people, society and the planet.

<https://radar.gesda.global/>



Science Diplomacy Week Immersion Program Agenda



IP: Immersion Program session

OF: Open Forum session open to the public

Monday, May 8th

IP: Welcome to Immersion Program participants, Introduction to Science Anticipation and the GESDA Science Breakthrough Radar

Time: 09:00 – 10:30

Organizers: GESDA + UNITAR

Location: [Palais des Nations](#) - Room XXIV

Address: Avenue de la Paix 14 1202 Geneva

Description:

- Arrival, registration, collection of materials
- Welcome by Stéphane Decoutère, Secretary General of the Board, GESDA
- Introduction to science anticipation and presentation of the GESDA Science Breakthrough Radar: Martin Müller, Executive Director Science Anticipator, GESDA
- Introduction to GESDA Solution Accelerator by Daria Robinson, Executive Director, Solution Accelerator & Deputy CEO, GESDA
- Overview of the program: Marga Gual Soler, Head of Science Diplomacy Capacity Building, GESDA, and partner institutions
- Participants introductions
- UNITAR logistical briefing

IP: [Spanning the boundaries between science and global policy: concepts, practices, actors](#)

Time: 11:00 – 12:30

Organizers: Geneva Science-Policy Interface (GSPi)

Location: [Palais des Nations](#) - Room XXIV

Address: Avenue de la Paix 14 1202 Geneva

Description:

Leveraging science and evidence to address contemporary and future policy challenges requires shaping the interface between complex chains of science, policy and implementation actors, at the local, national and international level. In this context, individuals and organisations able to navigate the boundaries of science and diplomacy are more than ever necessary to help enable exchanges between the production and use of knowledge to support evidence-informed decision-making and solutions in specific contexts, including in multilateral

settings. The goal of this session is to equip participants with a set of mental models and sensitize them on a series of skill sets that will help them navigate the rest of the week and beyond.

Speakers:

- Nicolas Seidler, Executive Director, GSPI
- Frédérique Guérin, Deputy Director, GSPI
- Mialy Rann, Science-Policy Officer, GSPI

Lunch

Time: 12:30 – 14:00

Location: Palais des Nations, UN cafeteria

Address: Avenue de la Paix 14 1202 Geneva

IP: United Nations tour

Time: 14:00 – 15:30

Organizer: UNITAR

Location: Palais des Nations

Address: Avenue de la Paix 14 1202 Geneva

OF: Geneva Science Diplomacy Week 2023 Opening Ceremony

Time: 16:00 – 18:00

Organizer: GESDA

Location: WMO - Salle Obasi

Address: 7bis Avenue de la Paix, 1211 Geneva

Description:

Official opening of the Geneva Science Diplomacy Week for the International Geneva community, presentation of WMO's Global Greenhouse Watch (G3W) initiative and dialogue with the diplomatic community.

Speakers:

- Petteri Taalas, Secretary General, WMO
- Peter Brabeck-Letmathe, Chairman of the Board of Directors, GESDA
- Amb. Alexandre Fasel, Special Representative for Science Diplomacy, Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, Switzerland
- Martin Chungong, Secretary General, Inter-Parliamentary Union
- Nikhil Seth, Executive Director, UNITAR
- Jovan Kurbalija, Executive Director, DiploFoundation
- Thomas Greminger, Director, GCSP
- Achim Wennmann, Director of Strategic Partnerships, Geneva Graduate Institute
- Yves Flückiger, Rector, University of Geneva
- Kristiann Allen, Executive Secretary, INGSA
- Christian Simm, Delegate from the Rector of University of Zürich
- Archana Sharma, Senior Advisor for Relations with International Organisations, CERN
- Lars Peter Riishojgaard, Deputy Director of the WMO Infrastructure Department and Director of Greenhouse Gas Monitoring
- Amb. HONSEI Kozo, Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Japan to the International Organizations in Geneva
- Daniel F. McGinnis, Associate Professor, Aquatic Physics, University of Geneva
- Daria Robinson, Executive Director, Solution Accelerator & Deputy CEO, GESDA
- Marga Gual Soler, Head of Science Diplomacy Capacity Building, GESDA & Science Diplomacy Week Program Director

OF: Geneva Science Diplomacy Week 2023 Opening reception

Time: 18:00 – 20:00

Organizer: GESDA

Location: WMO Attique (7bis Avenue de la Paix, 1211 Genève)

Address: 7bis Avenue de la Paix, 1211 Geneva

Description: Cocktail reception

Tuesday, May 9th

IP: Navigating the Neurotech Compass – Simulation Game

Time: 09:00 – 12:30

Organizer: INGSA

Location: UNIGE Room C1/C2

Address: Rue Jean-Daniel Colladon 2 1205 Geneva

Description: Role-play simulation game on the global governance of neurotechnologies

Lunch

Time: 12:30 – 13:30

Location: Old Town Geneva

IP: Computational diplomacy in practice: exploring UN General assembly's resolutions over time

Time: 13:30-16:00

Organizer: SiDLab

Location: Uni Dufour, room U159 /1st floor

Address: Rue Général-Dufour 24, Geneva

Description:

Alongside the development of computational social sciences, computational diplomacy is an emerging field that focuses on the management of international relations in a globalized and interdependent world. Computational diplomacy relies on the so-called 'computational thinking' approach, which includes data science, mapping, modelling, numerical simulations, artificial intelligence and network analysis. to understand the complexity of how governance is exerted.

This session aims both at presenting the latest developments, research findings and methodologies within the field of computational diplomacy. In order to do that, it adopts a hand on approach through a group work dedicated to explore a data set on UN General Assembly's resolutions since 1948.

Speakers:

- Didier Wernli, Associate Professor and Deputy Director for research at the Global Studies Institute of the University of Geneva
- Jean-Luc Flacone, Scientific Computing Support (SciCoS) Coordinator, Faculty of Science, University of Geneva
- Stéphan Davidshofer, Lecturer, Global Studies Institute, University of Geneva Academic Advisor, Geneva Center for Security Policy (SiDLab/UNIGE)

IP: Day 2 debrief in Parc des Bastions

Time: 17:00 – 18:00

Location: Parc des Bastions

Address: Les Bastions, 1204 Geneva

Description: Daily debrief

IP: Reception at Global Studies Institute

Time: 18:00 – 20:00

Organizer: UNIGE

Location: Global Studies Institute, terrace (5th floor)

Address: Rue des Vieux-Grenadiers 10, 1205 Geneva

Description: Cocktail reception

Wednesday, May 10th

IP: The militarisation of emerging technologies: Simulation of UN GGE Discussions on Lethal Autonomous Weapon Systems (LAWS)

Time: 09:00 – 12:30

Location: GCSP - P4-444 Conference Room 1 (Maison de la Pax)

Address: Chem. Eugène-Rigot 2D, 1211 Geneva

Description:

To encourage transdisciplinary and polymath thinking on emerging technologies this workshop simulates a debate session of the United Nations Group of governmental experts on Lethal Autonomous Weapon Systems (GGE on LAWS). The group will be divided in two and made to reflect on a set of questions, with policy makers playing the role of scientists and members of the technical community, while the scientists will be made to play the role of policy makers. This enables the groups to think about the issue of the militarization of emerging technologies, and the resulting security implications, from a different point of view, requiring them to take into account new way of thinking, concerns, and realities. This will help foster the mutual intelligibility between the scientific and policymaking communities needed to tackle issues surrounding emerging technologies and to effectively advance science diplomacy.

Speakers:

- Jean-Marc Rickli, Head of Global and Emerging Risks and Polymath Initiative, Geneva Centre for Security Policy
- Federico Mantellassi, Research and Project Officer, Geneva Centre for Security Policy

Lunch with Thomas Greminger, Director GCSP

Time: 12:30 – 14:00

Location: GCSP - library room, 7th floor (Maison de la Pax)

Address: Chem. Eugène-Rigot 2D, 1211 Geneva

OF: Emerging technologies: What opportunities for International Security

Time: 14:00 – 15:30

Organizers: GCSP, Geneva Graduate Institute

Location: GCSP - P4-444 Conference Room 1 (Maison de la Pax)

Address: Chem. Eugène-Rigot 2D, 1211 Geneva

Description:

Rapid evolutions in the development of disruptive emerging technologies (synthetic biology, artificial intelligence and neuroscience among others) are giving rise to concerns over their potential misuses and malicious uses. It is therefore primordial to understand how we can unlock the full potential of these technologies in a way which maximizes their positive influence on international security. This discussion gathers a panel composed of the GCSP's three Polymath Fellows in synthetic biology, artificial intelligence and neuroscience, along with a Graduate Institute Professor in International Law to discuss these technologies' beneficial applications, and will explore the ways in which they can be used in ways that bolster international security and minimizes their potential harm.

Speakers:

- Jean-Marc Rickli, Head of Global and Emerging Risks and Polymath Initiative, Geneva Centre for Security Policy
- Kevin Esvelt, Assistant Professor at MIT Media Lab, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Polymath Fellow, Geneva Centre for Security Policy
- Sandra Scott-Hayward, Senior Lecturer, School of Electronics, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, Queen's University Belfast; Polymath Fellow, Geneva Centre for Security Policy
- Ricardo Chavarriaga, Head of the Swiss office of the Confederation of Laboratories for AI Research in Europe; Senior researcher, Zürich University of Applied Sciences; Polymath Fellow, Geneva Centre for Security Policy
- Paola Gaeta, Professor of International Law, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies

IP: Negotiation engineering: meeting with SiDlab Students (ETHZ, UNIGE, Yerevan State University, University of Montreal)

Time: 15:30 – 17:00

Organizer: SiDlab

Location: [Geneva Graduate Institute](#) (Maison de la Paix)

Address: Chem. Eugène-Rigot 2, 1202 Geneva

Description:

Diplomatic engineering aims at matching pragmatic solutions to a given problem applying 'situation-specific instruments and tools' as it is done in engineering science. It proceeds by splitting a complex negotiation problem into precise sub-problems. Diplomatic engineering shares strong links with Science and diplomacy, as it requires a collaborative approach through the close cooperation between experienced negotiators and a broad range of technical experts.

This method has been implemented several times in the past years by Swiss diplomacy, in cases such as the cease-fire between Russian and Georgia in 2008, or during the negotiation on the Iranian nuclear deal. Former Swiss President and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Micheline Calmy-Rey was key in implementing diplomatic engineering in these instances. Drawing on this experience, she has been teaching for the past ten years a graduate negotiation seminar jointly run by the University of Geneva (UNIGE) and Federal Polytechnic School in Zurich (ETHZ). This seminar is also attended by students from two additional universities (University of Montreal and State University of Yerevan). Each year students coming from various disciplinary backgrounds and universities work on a different case and meet in person at the end of the semester in Geneva to run a simulation of international negotiation under the supervision of experienced diplomats.

This session takes place one day before the simulation and offers the opportunity to share and exchange with Ms. Calmy-Rey and master and PhD students from the four universities contributing to the seminar.

Speakers:

- Micheline Calmy-Rey, former President and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland
- Vahagn Aglyan, Researcher, Institute of History, NAS of RA, Lecturer, Department of International Relations, Public Administration, Head of Chair of Public Administration, YSU, Department of International Relations
- Leo Eigner, Senior Researcher in the Swiss and Euro-Atlantic Security Team, Center for Security Studies (CSS), ETH Zürich
- Students of the seminar from UNIGE, ETHZ, YSU, University of Montreal
- Stéphan Davidshofer, Lecturer, Global Studies Institute, University of Geneva Academic Advisor, Geneva Center for Security Policy (SiDlab/UNIGE)

OF: Improving the use of evidence and knowledge equity in international education policy

Time: 15:30 – 17:00

Organizers: Geneva Graduate Institute, Norrag

Location: [Geneva Graduate Institute](#) (Maison de la Paix)

Address: Chem. Eugène-Rigot 2, 1202 Geneva

Description:

Despite living in an era of a surplus of globally produced data and research, there is still limited uptake in policy, planning, and implementation to advance Sustainable Development Goal 4. This session will explore two questions: (1) How can the use of research evidence (URE) be promoted to serve the achievement of the SDG-4 targets? (2) What can be learned from the public health sector in terms of how the use of research evidence is coordinated and managed? Because the current approach to using research and evidence is not working, UNESCO asked NORRAG to conduct a study and produce a report based on a survey, individual and group interviews, and a comparative case study with the public health sector. This session will present and discuss the results of this study, including the roadmap and action plan.

Speakers:

- Moira Faul, Executive Director of NORRAG, and Senior Lecturer at the Geneva Graduate Institute
- Gita Steiner, Professor at the Geneva Graduate Institute and UNESCO Chair in Comparative Education Policy
- Master student from GISA TechSec initiative

OF: Science, Peacetechnology and Diplomacy

Time: 18:30-20:00

Organizer: Graduate Institute/EPFL

Location: [Geneva Graduate Institute](#), Auditorium (Maison de la Paix)

Address: Chem. Eugène-Rigot 2, 1202 Geneva

Description:

In an era of changing strategic landscapes, the nature of conflict is becoming increasingly multifaceted, dynamic, hybrid, and protracted. Multi-stakeholder alliances are becoming increasingly important in the field of peacebuilding. They can leverage their complementary expertise to break down sectoral silos and bridge capacities to achieve greater impact and accelerate the achievement of sustainable peace for all. This new approach to diplomacy recognizes the need for integrated, multidisciplinary collaboration across different professional communities, including science. Computer scientists can best produce innovative technologies when built on the field expertise of peace practitioners and the scientific evidence of social scientists. This session will explore science diplomacy in action: it will present the roadmap and discuss some of the key challenges and opportunities of a specific research project on mitigating online polarization in the context of conflict, conducted by members of the Swiss Alliance of PeaceTech.

Speakers:

- Peter Maurer, Former President of the ICRC
- Amb. Alexandre Fasel, Ambassador, Special Representative for Science Diplomacy, Federal Department of Foreign Affairs (FDFA)
- Achim Wennmann, Director of Strategic Partnerships, Senior Researcher at the Centre on Conflict, Development and Peacebuilding and Lecturer, Geneva Graduate Institute or Dr. Klaus Schönenberger, Director, EPFL EssentialTech
- Annyssa Billal Senior Researcher Centre on Conflict, Development and Peacebuilding, Geneva Graduate Institute

Thursday, May 11th

IP: Visit to SC and ATLAS Visitor Center

Time: 09:00 - 09:55

Organizer: CERN

Location: [CERN](#)

Address: Espl. des Particules 1, 1211 Meyrin, Switzerland

IP: Science Diplomacy at CERN

Time: 10:00- 12:30

Organizer: CERN

Location: [CERN](#), Salle Bohr

Address: Espl. des Particules 1, 1211 Meyrin, Switzerland

Description:

- The story of CERN and its role as a bridge between science and diplomacy
- Impact of fundamental research at CERN on society: knowledge transfer and applications
- Large Collaborative international scientific endeavours and open science

Speaker:

- Han Hubert Dols, Head of Business Development & Entrepreneurship, CERN
- Pippa Wells, Deputy Director for Research and Computing, CERN

Lunch

Time: 12:30 – 13:50

Location: [CERN](#), Glassbox

Address: Espl. des Particules 1, 1211 Meyrin, Switzerland

IP: Exploring Tech Diplomacy Practices and Skills

Time: 14:00 - 15:15

Organizer: Diplo Foundation

Location: [CERN](#), Salle Bohr

Address: Espl. des Particules 1, 1211 Meyrin, Switzerland

Description:

This session briefly introduces specific science and tech diplomacy practices. The session shares insights from newly conducted research on countries' approaches to engaging the tech sector in Silicon Valley.

Based on this initial conversation, a joint knowledge-construction session takes place where participants share experiences and brainstorm on tech diplomacy skills and practices. Key questions include: What skills need to be built for effective boundary spanning? What tech diplomacy practices can be effective? What are some of the challenges? How do actors and countries with limited resources engage in tech diplomacy? The outcome of the session is a snapshot of key insights from the joint knowledge-construction exercise and will be made available for further discussion with wider audiences.

Speakers:

- Yannick Heiniger, Swissnex in San Francisco
- Pavlina Ittelson, Executive Director, Diplo US
- Katharina Höne, Director of Research, DiploFoundation

IP: Relationship between Science and Parliaments - Lessons from CERN-IPU Science for Peace School

Time: 15:30 – 17:00

Organizer: CERN & IPU

Location: [CERN](#), Salle Bohr

Address: Espl. des Particules 1, 1211 Meyrin, Switzerland

Speakers: Intro by Denis Naughten, Member of Parliament, Parliament of Ireland

IP: Day 4 debrief

Time: 17:00 – 17:30

Location: [CERN](#), Salle Bohr

Address: Espl. des Particules 1, 1211 Meyrin, Switzerland

Description: Daily debrief

OF: Science diplomacy and emerging technologies: “The Thing From The Future.”

Time: 18:30 – 20:30

Organizer: foraus/Swiss Young Academy

Location: [Impact Hub Geneva](#)

Address: Rue Fendt 1, 1201 Geneva

Description:

This interactive session organized by foraus and the Swiss Young Academy will bring together early-career scientists and policy professionals to discuss ongoing challenges and opportunities for engaging in science diplomacy in the context of emerging technologies. The session will be based on the award-winning game “The Thing From The Future” followed by a networking apéro to stimulate crossdisciplinary collaborations between young scientists, policy-makers, and diplomats addressing the role of science diplomacy in the future of emerging technologies.

Friday, May 12th

IP: Meet the Leader session: lessons in science diplomacy from an Ambassador's perspective

Time: 08:45- 09:00

Organizer: GESDA

Location: [Campus Biotech](#), EPFL room, 6th floor

Address: Chem. des Mines 9, 1202 Geneva

Speaker: Amb. Alexandre Fasel, Special Representative for Science Diplomacy, Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, Switzerland

IP: Reviving the Human Right to Science (HRtS)

Time: 09:00- 10:30

Organizer: GESDA, OHCHR, UNESCO

Location: [Campus Biotech](#), EPFL room, 6th floor

Address: Chem. des Mines 9, 1202 Geneva

Description:

The session will provide context information on the Human Right to Science (art. 27.1 Universal Declaration of Human Rights), including a flash course presenting its history, interpretation, main texts, milestones, and resources and a discussion of the most important procedures and processes regarding human rights (and the HRtS) within the UN system by Mylène Bidault Abdulle (OHCHR).

In the second part, participants will then take over the HRtS. In small groups they will build use-cases for the HRtS, discuss neglected areas, areas of concerns, and areas of hope where the use of the HRtS will make a difference. The results will be collected, shared and published.

Speakers:

- Gérard Escher, Senior Advisor, GESDA
- Marga Gual Soler, Head of Science Diplomacy Capacity Building, GESDA
- Konstantinos Tararas, Programme Specialist, UNESCO's Inclusion, Rights and Intercultural Dialogue Section
- Mylène Bidault Abdulle, Human Rights Officer, OHCHR

IP: SDGs Workshop

Time: 10:45 – 12:45

Organizer: UNITAR

Location: [Campus Biotech](#), EPFL room, 6th floor

Address: Chem. des Mines 9, 1202 Geneva

Description:

Simulation game with the goal of conveying awareness of how the pursuit of individual goals affects the world as a whole and how it is necessary to strike a balance between personal goals and the more macro goals of the world.

Speakers:

Ms. Alice Richard, trainer for the Sustainable Development Goals, is passionate about driving social impact and innovation. Her purpose is to inspire and enable people to take positive action.

Lunch

Time: 12:45 – 14:00

Location: [Campus Biotech](#) – Cafeteria

Address: Chem. des Mines 9, 1202 Geneva

OF: Technology and Diplomacy: The rise of multilateralism in the Bay Area & Lessons for the Geneva Ecosystem

Time: 14:00 – 15:30

Organizer: DiploFoundation

Location: [Campus Biotech](#), EPFL room, 6th floor

Address: Chem. des Mines 9, 1202 Geneva

Description:

The session shares key findings and lessons from recently conducted research on the practice of tech diplomacy in the San Francisco Bay Area. Some of the key findings include:

- Tech diplomacy has matured, moving from informal engagement to more structured, formal engagements, which brings both benefits and issues to the parties involved;
- Both governmental representations and the structures within tech companies that act as partners to the conversation have become more diverse and complex, adding challenges in reaching one another;
- There is an important culture and language divide between the tech and diplomatic world, which calls for specific support;
- Over the past years, we can identify more and more collaborations between diplomatic representations in interactions with tech companies to achieve common goals, thus bringing multilateralism into the Bay Area.

With the Geneva launch of the study 'Technology and Diplomacy: The rise of multilateralism in the Bay Area', we aim to bring this important conversation to Geneva. We dive deeper into the various forms of interactions between tech and diplomacy and highlight lessons for the Geneva ecosystem and the future of diplomatic practice.

This event is organised in partnership with Swissnex in San Francisco and République et Canton de Genève.

Speakers:

- Amb. Umej Bhatia, Permanent Representative of Singapore to the UN in Geneva
- Claudia Taboada, Director Science, Technology and Environment, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Dominican Republic
- Thato Morokong, Assistant Director, Africa Multilateral Cooperation, Department of Science and Innovation (DSI), South Africa
- Beatrice Ferrari, Director of International Affairs, Canton of Geneva
- Yannick Heiniger, Swissnex in San Francisco
- Pavlina Ittelson, Executive Director, Diplo US
- Katharina Höne, Director of Research, DiploFoundation

IP: Diplomatic Coordination for Global Greenhouse Gas Monitoring

Time: 14:00 – 15:15

Organizer: World Meteorological Organization (WMO)

Location: [WMO](#) Salle B

Address: 7bis Avenue de la Paix, 1211 Geneva

Speakers: Oksana Tarasova, Chief, Global Atmosphere Watch Programme, WMO

IP: Closing of Immersion Program, debrief and next steps: Building a Science Diplomacy Community of Practice

Time: 15:30 – 17:30

Organizer: GESDA

Location: [Campus Biotech](#), EPFL room, 6th floor

Address: Chem. des Mines 9, 1202 Geneva

Description:

Immersion Program debrief and closing remarks

Speakers:

- Christian Simm, University of Zürich
- Daria Robinson, Executive Director, Solution Accelerator & Deputy CEO, GESDA
- Marga Gual Soler, Head of Science Diplomacy Capacity Building, GESDA

IP: Farewell Dinner Cruise

Time: 18:30 – 20:30

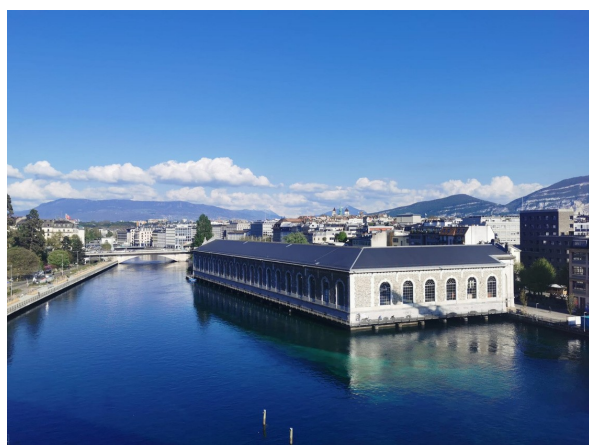
Organizer: UNITAR

Location: Lake Geneva

Practical Information

GENEVA

On the shores of the Lac Léman, Geneva is a Swiss city of 202'000 inhabitants, which has been hosting intergovernmental organizations since the early 20th century. International conferences take place in the United Nations Office at Geneva (UNOG), in the five United Nations specialized agencies which have their headquarters in the city, in the Geneva headquarters or offices of United Nations bodies, commissions, programmes and in other United Nations or non-UN entities.



With Geneva's complex horizontal network of intergovernmental organizations and the presence of over 100 international NGOs, the city has clearly become a centre for world discussion and debate on issues as broad as peace and security, disarmament, human rights, humanitarian affairs, labour standards, health, telecommunications, intellectual property, environment, trade and development. Some 15'000 meetings and conferences take place under the auspices of the various organizations located in this important city and UN venue.

Geneva prides itself as being one of the most beautiful and cultured cities in the world, combining the splendours of nature with a rich palette of historic and architectural offerings. It has a rich history that dates back more than 4000 years and continues to influence the development of the city today. Evidence of Geneva's past is preserved throughout the city in its many museums, monuments and architectural treasures.

WEATHER

Due to the tempering effects of the lake and surrounding mountains, Geneva can have unpredictable weather patterns. In early May, Geneva experiences mild spring weather with temperatures ranging between 12°C and 18°C. The lake and surrounding mountains continue to have a tempering effect on the weather, making it generally pleasant for outdoor activities. Spring flowers bloom around the city, adding to the scenic beauty of the area.

For more reliable weather forecasts, please visit [Météo Suisse](https://www.meteo.ch/).

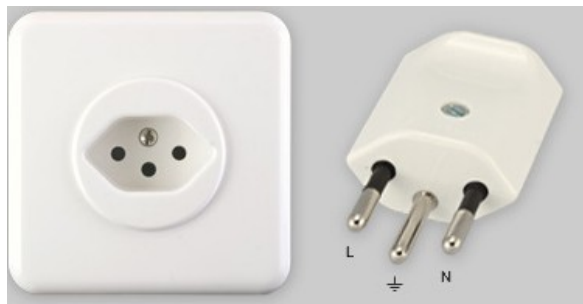
Time Zone: GMT/UTC +1

LANGUAGE

Switzerland has four official languages: French, German, Italian and Romansh. German is widely spoken in Switzerland; however, French is the predominant language used in Geneva. Since Geneva is considered as an international city, English is spoken by about a quarter of the local population and by the majority of foreigners. Of course, you can hear just about every other language in Geneva if you listen hard enough.

ELECTRICITY

Electricity in Switzerland is 220 volts, 50 cycle AC. Some European appliances may require an adaptor as Switzerland uses a 3-prong outlet system that is smaller than most Continental plugs.



TELEPHONE

Switzerland's country code is +41. Mobile phones can be purchased in different shops. You can choose between monthly payments or with pre-paid cards. Please note that you can only register for a monthly telephone subscription if you have a working permit. If not, you can buy a pre-paid sim card by just providing an address. The most popular networks are Swisscom, Salt and Sunrise.

CURRENCY

The currency in Switzerland is the Swiss Franc (CHF, SFr.). The Euro is also accepted in some establishments but expect to pay a premium rate. Check www.xe.com/ for the most up-to-date exchange rates.



Most transactions in the city are conducted in cash, a surprising number of shops and restaurants do not accept credit cards. Automated Teller Machines (ATMs) are widely available throughout the city, dispensing notes up to 1000 CHF. These will normally indicate the exchange rate and the total amount in both CHF and your card's currency before withdrawal for your information. Additionally, there are a number of official money exchanges throughout the city.

HEALTH & SAFETY

Switzerland is a very safe country to live or visit. However, petty crimes such as pick-pocketing are common around the central train station 'Gare Cornavin', the 'Paquis' area and the 'Plainpalais' area, it is important to be cautious. Hospitals and clinics are available 24 hours throughout the city.

TRANSPORT

Like any other city in Switzerland, Geneva has its own public transportation. It is very clear and easy to access. Prices differ according to zones and time.

A transport card will be provided at the hotel for each participant.



The website <http://www.tpg.ch/> is the best journey planner site for Geneva. The airport is close to the city center and can be easily accessed by train (to Gare Cornavin), tram No. 10, bus No. 6 or 23 and taxi.

HOTEL

Address: [ibis Genève Centre Nations](#)

Location: Rue du Grand-Pré 33-35, 1201 Genève Switzerland



FOOD

Geneva is the second largest city in Switzerland and the most international city in Europe with over 40% of its population coming from outside Switzerland. This is reflected in its cuisine that offers a variety of international flavours and dishes. From Baklava to Sushi, you will find everything to delight your taste buds. However, no visit to Switzerland would be completed without the traditional Cheese Fondue and some fine Swiss Chocolate for dessert. Bon appétit!

Some selected restaurants:

- [Luigia](#)
- [Relais de l'Entrecote](#)
- [Brasserie Lipp](#)
- [Les Armures](#)
- [Le Sesflo](#)



ACTIVITIES

There are many things to do in Geneva and its surroundings. You can visit the historic city centre with the famous St. Peter's Cathedral, take a stroll along the lakeside and its beautiful Bains des Paquis (<http://www.bains-des-paquis.ch/>), go shopping for Swiss watches, knives or chocolate, visit one of the many museums such as the Patek Philippe Museum (<http://www.patekmuseum.com/>), go hiking in the surrounding hills and mountains (we recommend the Mount Salève Hike for a splendid view of Geneva) (<http://www.geneva.info/saleve/hiking/>), or enjoy the cozy Carouge Neighbourhood with its cafés and bars. Find more recommendations and activities on the following links:

- [Tripadvisor – Activities in Geneva](#)
- Geneva City Guide (You can download the City Guide Geneva Smartphone App)
- Shopping: <https://www.geneve.com/en/see-do/shopping/>

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The United Nations System

UN PRINCIPAL ORGANS



Related Organizations

- CTBTO Preparatory Commission
- IAEA International Atomic Energy Agency
- ICC International Criminal Court
- IOH International Organization for Migration
- ISA International Seabed Authority
- ITLOS International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea
- OPCW Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons
- WTO World Trade Organization

Peacebuilding Commission

- HLPF High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development

Specialized Agencies^{1,3}

- FAO Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
- ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization
- IFAD International Fund for Agricultural Development
- ILO International Labour Organization
- IMF International Monetary Fund
- IMO International Maritime Organization
- ITU International Telecommunication Union
- UNESCO United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
- UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization
- UNWTO World Tourism Organization
- UPU Universal Postal Union
- WHO World Health Organization
- WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization
- WMO World Meteorological Organization
- WORLD BANK GROUP⁴
 - IBRD International Bank for Reconstruction and Development
 - IDA International Development Association
 - IFC International Finance Corporation

Notes:

- Members of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination (CEB) and UN Partnerships (UNOP) is the UN's focal point vis-a-vis the United Nations Foundation, Inc.
- IAEA and OPCW report to the Security Council and the General Assembly (GA). WTO has no reporting obligation to the GA, but contributes on an ad hoc basis and development issues.
- There are autonomous organizations whose work is coordinated through ECOSOC (intergovernmental level) and CEB (inter-secretariat level).
- The Trusteeship Council suspended operation on 1 November 1994, as on 1 October 1994 Palau, the last United Nations Trust Territory, became independent.
- International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID) and Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA) are not UN specialized agencies in accordance with Articles 57 and 63 of the Charter, but are part of the World Bank Group.
- The Secretariats of these organs are part of the UN Secretariat.
- The Secretariat also includes the following offices: The Ethics Office, United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services, and the Office of Administration
- For a complete list of ECOSOC Subsidiary Bodies see un.org/ecosoc.

This Chart is a reflection of the functional organization of the United Nations System and for informational purposes only. It does not include all offices or entities of the United Nations System.

Research and Training

- UNIDIR United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research
- UNITAR United Nations Institute for Training and Research
- UNSSC United Nations System Staff College
- UNU United Nations University

Other Entities

- ITC International Trade Centre (UN/WTO)
- UNCTAD United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
- UNHCR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
- UNOPS United Nations Office for Project Services
- UNRWA United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
- UN-WOMEN United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women

Subsidiary Organs

- International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals
- Military Staff Committee
- Counter-Terrorism Committee

Functional Commissions

- Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice
- Narcotic Drugs
- Population and Development
- Science and Technology for Development
- Social Development
- Statistics
- Status of Women
- United Nations Forum on Forests

Regional Commissions⁵

- ECA Economic Commission for Africa
- ECE Economic Commission for Europe
- ECLAC Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean
- ESCAP Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
- ESCSWA Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

Departments and Offices⁶

- Office of Counter-Terrorism
- Office for Disarmament Affairs
- High Commissioner for Human Rights
- Office of Internal Oversight Services
- Office of Legal Affairs
- Office for Outer Space Affairs
- Office of the Special Adviser on Africa
- Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict
- Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict
- Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence Against Children

Other Bodies¹⁰

- Committee for Development Policy
- Committee of Experts on Public Administration
- Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
- Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
- HIV/AIDS
- United Nations Programme on Geographical Names
- Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management

Research and Training

- United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute
- United Nations Research Institute for Social Development
- United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction
- United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
- United Nations Office at Geneva
- Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries, and Small Island Developing States
- United Nations Office at Nairobi
- United Nations Office for Partnerships
- United Nations Office at Vienna



Geneva Science Diplomacy Week 2023 - Agenda at glance



Immersion Program
Open Forum
Networking session

Theme	08 May	09 May	10 May	11 May	12 May
0845-0900	Introduction to International Geneva Palais des Nations & WMO	Health & Human Augmentation UNICE	Data Governance, Peace & Security Maison de la Paix	Technology & Diplomacy CERN	Future of Climate Governance and Multilateralism Campus Biotech & WMO Meet the Leader with Amb. Alexandre Fasel
0900 - 0930	Welcome to Immersion Program participants All SDW partner institutions	Navigating the Neurotech Compass SIMULATION GAME INGSA/GESDA UNICE Room CI/C2 - Rue Colladon 2	The militarisation of emerging technologies: Simulation of UN GGE Discussions on Lethal Autonomous Weapon Systems (LAWS) GCSP Maison de la Paix	CERN Experiments Visit CERN	Reviving the Human Right to Science GESDA/OHCHR/UNESCO Campus Biotech
0930 - 0945	Introduction to Anticipatory Science Diplomacy and the GESDA Science Breakthrough Radar GESDA				
0945-1000	Building your skill set for spanning boundaries between science and policy GSPI				
1000-1030	Palais des Nations - Room XXIV				
1030-1045	Break				Coffee break
1045-1100					
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1200 - 1230	Palais des Nations - Room XXIV				
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1300-1350	Lunch at Palais de Nations		Lunch with Amb. Thomas Greminger		
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1430-1445	United Nations Tour UNITAR	Multilateral Computational Diplomacy Workshop SIDLab UNICE			
1445-1500	Palais des Nations				
1500-1515					
1515 - 1530	Break - move to WMO				
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1600-1615					
1615-1645	Opening of Science Diplomacy Week High-level roundtable: Taking the pulse of Science Diplomacy in International Geneva SDW partner institutions/WMO WMO (Salle Obasi)		Emerging technologies: Security? GCSP/Graduate Institute Maison de la Paix	Exploring Tech Diplomacy Practices and Skills DiploFoundation CERN	Technology and Diplomacy DiploFoundation Campus Biotech
1645-1700			Improving the use of evidence and knowledge equity in international education policy Graduate Institute/Norrag Maison de la Paix	Coffee break	
1700-1730		Day 2 debrief at UNICE/ Parc des Bastions	Negotiation engineering SIDLab Maison de la Paix		
1730-1800					
1800-1830					
1830-2000	Opening reception GESDA - WMO WMO L'Attique	UNICE reception UNICE / Global Studies Institute	Science, Peacetech and Diplomacy Graduate Institute/EPFL Maison de la Paix	Relationship between Science and Parliaments IPU/CERN CERN	Closing of Immersion Program, debrief and next steps: Building a Science Diplomacy Community of Practice GESDA Campus Biotech
2000-2030					
				Science diplomacy and emerging technologies: "The Thing From The Future." foraus/Swiss Young Academy Impact Hub Geneva	Farewell Dinner Cruise UNITAR Lake Geneva