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INTERNATIONAL GENEVA FACTS AND FIGURES

ORGANIZATIONS AND SECRETARIATS (43)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Intergovernmental organizations, international institutions and secretariats with headquarters agreement ⁽¹⁾ (24 in Geneva): ACWL, ALIPH, ATT Secretariat, BIS (Basel), CERN, EFTA, GAVI Alliance, GCERF, Global Fund, IBE/UNESCO*, ICDO, ICRC, IFRC, ILO*, IOM, IPU, ITU*, OSCE Court, OTIF (Bern), South Centre, UNOG, UPOV, UPU* (Bern), WHO*, WIPO*, WMO* and WTO (* 7 specialized agencies) 	27
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Quasi-governmental international organizations with tax agreement ⁽²⁾ (4 in Geneva): IATA, IEC, ISO, IUCN (Gland), SITA and WADA (Lausanne, European Office) 	6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Other international bodies with agreement on privileges and immunities ⁽³⁾ (9 in Geneva): IOC (Lausanne), DNDi, FIND, GAIN, GICHD, HD Centre, Interpeace, MMV, MPP and WEF 	10

United Nations Office at Geneva (UNOG) is made up of a Secretariat and:

- Bodies with headquarters in Geneva: ECE-UNO, ITC (UNCTAD/WTO), OHCHR, UNCC, UNCTAD, UNHCR, UNIDIR, UNISDR, UNITAR, UNRISD, etc.
- Bodies with regional office for Europe in Geneva: UNDP (NY), UNEP (Nairobi), UNICEF (NY), OCHA (NY), etc.
- Bodies with liaison office in Geneva: UNFPA (NY), UN-Habitat (Nairobi), WFP (Rome), etc.
- Specialized agencies with liaison office in Geneva: FAO (Rome), UNESCO (Paris), UNIDO (Vienna), UN Women (NY), UNWTO (Madrid), etc.
- Common UN administrative services with headquarters or office in Geneva: CEB (NY), ICC, NGLS, OIOS (NY), UNOPS (Copenhagen), UNJSPF (NY), UNPA (NY, Vienna, Geneva), etc.

Particular cases:

- The [Conference on Disarmament](#) (CD) is not a UN body, but an autonomous body which receives the support of the UN system; its secretariat is provided by DDA (Geneva office).
- [UNAIDS](#) is a program cosponsored by ILO, UN Women, UNDP, UNESCO, UNFPA, UNHCR, UNICEF, UNODC, WFP, WHO and World Bank.
- [IAEA](#) (Vienna), although the agency was established under the aegis of the UN, strictly speaking IAEA is not a UN specialized agency; it has a liaison office in Geneva.

NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS (NGO's) (380)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ NGO's in Geneva among 136 with UN consultative status ⁽⁴⁾ 	~400
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ International sport federations and organizations based in the canton of Vaud ⁽⁵⁾ 	~30

¹ According to the Host State Act, these bodies are intergovernmental organizations, international institutions or secretariats established under an international treaty and the Swiss Federal Council has concluded headquarters agreements with them.

² According to the Host State Act, these organizations are quasi-governmental international organizations with and the Swiss Federal Council has concluded tax agreements with them.

³ According to the Host State Act, these are other international bodies and the Swiss Federal Council has concluded agreements on privileges and immunities or on the status.

⁴ For detailed information, see the survey on the international organizations in Geneva published by the OCSTAT (No 19 - oct. 2018) (<http://www.ge.ch/statistique/>).

FOREIGN STATES REPRESENTED IN GENEVA (177)

▪ Foreign States represented in Geneva by a permanent Mission (with Switzerland) ⁽⁶⁾	177
▪ Permanent missions to UNOG/IO ⁽⁷⁾	178
▪ Permanent missions separate to WTO ⁽⁸⁾	36
▪ Permanent representations separate to CD ⁽⁹⁾	13
▪ Special missions	10
▪ Permanent delegations of international organizations (observer offices) ⁽¹⁰⁾	19
▪ Other entity ⁽¹¹⁾	<u>1</u>
Total number of missions, representations and delegations	257
▪ Permanent missions to UNOG/IO based outside Geneva (abroad) ⁽¹²⁾	3

HOST COUNTRY REPRESENTATIONS

▪ Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the United Nations Office and to the other international organizations in Geneva <ul style="list-style-type: none">→ Multilateral Division→ Host Country Division→ Permanent Representative to CD
▪ Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the WTO and EFTA (ECE-UN, UNCTAD, ITC)

SPECIAL MISSIONS (10)

<u>Delegations of:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Federation of Russia at the Special Subcommittee of Checking▪ United States of America at the Special Subcommittee of Checking▪ Ukraine at the Special Subcommittee of Checking▪ Republic of Belarus at the Common Commission of the Respect and Inspections▪ Republic of Kazakhstan at the Common Commission of the Respect and Inspections▪ Federation of Russia at the Common Commission of the Respect and Inspections▪ United States of America at the Common Commission of the Respect and Inspections▪ Ukraine at the Common Commission of the Respect and Inspections▪ Federation of Russia at the Permanent Advisory Commission▪ United States of America at the Permanent Advisory Commission

⁵ IOC chose Lausanne, canton of Vaud, for establishing its headquarters since 1915. Various international sport federations are based in this area.

⁶ All States mentioned in this list have a permanent mission to UNOG and to the other international organizations. Some States also have a separate mission/representation to WTO and/or to CD. States: see list on page 3.

⁷ Holy See and Palestine, non-members of the UN, are represented in Geneva by an Observer Permanent Mission to UNOG. N.B. it does not mean that Switzerland recognizes Palestine as a State.

⁸ WTO has 164 members and 23 observer governments. 36 members have a separate mission to WTO: Afghanistan, Australia, Brazil, Cambodia, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, European Union, Guatemala, Honduras, Hong Kong, India, Macao, Malaysia, Mexico, Namibia, New-Zealand, Norway, Panama, Pakistan, Philippine, Russian Federation, Separate Customs Territory of TPCK, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Switzerland, Thailand, Turkey, United States of America and Uruguay.

⁹ 13 members States of the CD have a separate representation to the Conference: Australia, Canada, Chile, China, France, Germany, India, Japan, Netherlands, Russian Federation, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America and Ukraine. The 65 members States of the CD are represented in Geneva.

¹⁰ Permanent delegations of international organizations: ACP Group, ALO, AU, Commonwealth, Council of Europe, EPLO, EU, GCC, IDLO, LAS, OECS, OIC, OIF, PAM, PIF, PPD, UPEACE, WAEMU and World Bank.

¹¹ Other entity (UN observer office): Sovereign Military Order of Malta.

¹² Permanent missions to UNOG based outside Geneva (abroad): Antigua and Barbados (London), Dominica (London), Belize (New-York).

UN MEMBERS STATES AND NON-MEMBERS IN GENEVA (178)

1. Afghanistan	60. Gabon	120. Oman
2. Albania	61. Gambia	121. Pakistan
3. Algeria	62. Georgia	122. Panama
4. Andorra	63. Germany	123. Paraguay
5. Angola	64. Ghana	124. Peru
6. Argentina	65. Greece	125. Philippines
7. Armenia	66. Grenada	126. Poland
8. Australia	67. Guatemala	127. Portugal
9. Austria	68. Guinea	128. Qatar
10. Azerbaijan	69. Guyana	129. Republic of Korea
11. Bahamas	70. Haiti	130. Republic of Moldova
12. Bahrain	71. Honduras	131. Romania
13. Bangladesh	72. Hungary	132. Russian Federation
14. Barbados	73. Iceland	133. Rwanda
15. Belarus	74. India	134. Saint Lucia
16. Belgium	75. Indonesia	135. San Marino
17. Benin	76. Iran (Rep. Of)	136. Saudi Arabia
18. Bhutan	77. Iraq	137. Senegal
19. Bolivia	78. Ireland	138. Serbia
20. Bosnia and Herzegovina	79. Israel	139. Seychelles
21. Botswana	80. Italy	140. Sierra Leone
22. Brazil	81. Jamaica	141. Singapore
23. Brunei Darussalam	82. Japan	142. Slovakia
24. Bulgaria	83. Jordan	143. Slovenia
25. Burkina Faso	84. Kazakhstan	144. Solomon Islands
26. Burundi	85. Kenya	145. Somalia
27. Cabo Verde	86. Kuwait	146. South Africa
28. Cambodia	87. Kyrgyzstan	147. South Sudan
29. Cameroon	88. Lao People's Dem. Rep.	148. Spain
30. Canada	89. Latvia	149. Sri Lanka
31. Central African Rep.	90. Lebanon	150. Sudan
32. Chad	91. Lesotho	151. Sweden
33. Chile	92. Liberia	152. Switzerland
34. China	93. Libya	153. Syrian Arab Republic
35. Colombia	94. Liechtenstein	154. Tajikistan
36. Comoros	95. Lithuania	155. Thailand
37. Congo	96. Luxembourg	156. The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
38. Costa Rica	97. Madagascar	157. Timor-Leste
39. Côte d'Ivoire	98. Malawi	158. Togo
40. Croatia	99. Malaysia	159. Trinidad and Tobago
41. Cuba	100. Maldives	160. Tunisia
42. Cyprus	101. Mali	161. Turkey
43. Czech Republic	102. Malta	162. Turkmenistan
44. Dem. Rep. of Korea	103. Mauritania	163. Uganda
45. Dem. Rep. of the Congo	104. Mauritius	164. Ukraine
46. Denmark	105. Mexico	165. United Arab Emirates
47. Djibouti	106. Monaco	166. United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
48. Dominican Republic	107. Mongolia	167. United Rep. of Tanzania
49. Ecuador	108. Montenegro	168. United States of America
50. Egypt	109. Morocco	169. Uruguay
51. El Salvador	110. Mozambique	170. Uzbekistan
52. Equatorial Guinea	111. Myanmar	171. Vanuatu
53. Eritrea	112. Namibia	172. Venezuela
54. Estonia	113. Nepal	173. Viet Nam
55. Eswatini (formerly Swaziland, May 2018)	114. Netherlands	174. Yemen
56. Ethiopia	115. New Zealand	175. Zambia
57. Fiji	116. Nicaragua	176. Zimbabwe
58. Finland	117. Niger	
59. France	118. Nigeria	
	119. Norway	
		Non-members (observers)
		177. Holy See
		178. Palestine (State of)

LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES (LDC's) (47) ⁽¹³⁾

1. Afghanistan	18. <u>Guinea Bissau</u>	35. Sierra Leone
2. Angola	19. Haiti	36. Solomon Islands
3. Bangladesh	20. <u>Kiribati</u>	37. Somalia
4. Benin	21. Lao People's Dem Rep	38. Sudan
5. Bhutan	22. Lesotho	39. South Sudan
6. Burkina Faso	23. Liberia	40. Timor-Leste
7. Burundi	24. Madagascar	41. Togo
8. Cambodia	25. Malawi	42. <u>Tuvalu</u>
9. Central African Republic	26. Mali	43. <u>Uganda</u>
10. Chad	27. Mauritania	44. United Rep of Tanzania
11. Comoros	28. Mozambique	45. Vanuatu
12. Democratic Rep of Congo	29. Myanmar	46. Yemen
13. Djibouti	30. Nepal	47. Zambia
14. Eritrea	31. Niger	
15. Ethiopia	32. Rwanda	
16. Gambia	33. <u>Sao Tome and Principe</u>	
17. Guinea	34. Senegal	

YEARLY EXPENSES FOR ORGANIZATIONS IN GENEVA

In 2017 ⁽⁴⁾

- **CHF~ 5.617 bn** for organizations with headquarters agreement
- **CHF ~ 175 m** for organizations with tax agreement
- **CHF ~ 395 m** for int. bodies with agreement on privileges and immunities

STAFF MEMBERS OF ORGANIZATIONS AND MISSIONS (approximate numbers)

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| ▪ Organizations with <u>headquarters agreement</u> in Switzerland ⁽¹⁴⁾ | ~ 22,500 |
| ▪ Organizations with <u>tax agreement</u> in Switzerland | ~ 1,100 |
| ▪ International bodies with <u>agreement on privileges and immunities</u> in Switzerland | ~ 1,400 |
| ▪ Non-governmental organizations ⁽⁴⁾ | ~ 2,700 |
| ▪ Jobs in the permanent missions, representations and delegations in Geneva ⁽¹⁴⁾ | ~ 4,000 |

MEETINGS AND DELEGATES

In 2017 ⁽⁴⁾

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| ▪ Meetings and conferences organized by the organizations based in Geneva | ~ 3,364 |
| ▪ Delegates and experts coming in Geneva for the meetings and conferences | ~ 221,166 |

VISITS IN GENEVA

In 2017 ⁽¹⁵⁾

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| ▪ Visits by Heads of State/Government, Ministers and other officials | 4,688 |
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¹³ The list of the LDC's is drawn up by the UNCTAD (UNO). The countries underlined are not represented in Geneva by a permanent mission (4). All LDC's are members of the UNO, 33 are members of the WTO and 5 are members of the CD.

¹⁴ Figures based on the number of FDFA legitimization cards.

¹⁵ Geneva Airport data concerning the welcoming services, on arrival or departure.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE CENTRE – GENEVA (CICG) ⁽¹⁶⁾

In 2017

▪ Conferences organized	122
▪ Delegates attending conferences	33,786
▪ Conferences with less than 200 delegates	68
▪ Conferences with 200 to 500 delegates	24
▪ Conferences with 500 to 1,000 delegates	22
▪ Conferences with more than 1,000 delegates	8

CONFERENCE CENTRE OF VAREMBE (CCV) ⁽¹⁵⁾

In 2017

▪ Conferences organized	79
▪ Delegates attending conferences	3,700
▪ Conferences with less than 50 delegates	55
▪ Conferences with 50 to 100 delegates	19
▪ Conference with more than 100 delegates	5

BUILDING FOUNDATION FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS (FIPOI) ⁽¹⁷⁾

▪ Insurance's value of the buildings (excluding land ⁽¹⁸⁾) provided by the Swiss Confederation and owned by FIPOI (<u>31.12.2017</u>)	CHF 721 m
▪ Amount of interest-free loans extended to organizations based in Geneva for the construction of their buildings ⁽¹⁹⁾ (amounts remaining to refund to the <u>31.12.2017</u>)	CHF 411 m

▪ <u>Buildings financed by a FIPOI loan:</u>	Centre William Rappard" (WTO), CERN, ICRC, IFRC, ILO, IPU, ITU, IUCN, UNAIDS, UNOG, WIPO, WHO, WMO
▪ <u>Buildings owned by FIPOI:</u>	ITC (UNCTAD/WTO), CICG, FCIG Grand-Montfleury 48, FCIG Morillons 13, FCIG Morillons 13-15, FCIG Varembé 1-3, "Immeuble Administratif de Montbrillant" (UNHCR), "Immeuble Administratif de Varembé" 7, "Immeuble Avenue de France", International House of Environment (IHE 1/ 2), "Parking Place des Nations", "Salle William Rappard" (WTO)
▪ <u>Buildings managed by FIPOI:</u>	"Palais Wilson" (OHCHR)

OTHER INSTITUTIONS OF INTERNATIONAL GENEVA ⁽²⁰⁾

Examples (non-exhaustive list):

- Building Foundation for International Organizations (FIPOI)
- Diplomatic Club of Geneva
- Foundation for Geneva
- Geneva Press Club
- Geneva Welcome Centre (CAGI)
- International Circle of Geneva

¹⁶ The CICG, property of FIPOI, is freely available to the international organizations and, under some conditions, the NGOs. Depending on availability, the conference rooms can be rented to private companies. The CICG also administers the Conference Centre of Varembé (CCV).

¹⁷ The FIPOI is a non-profit-making private foundation created jointly by the Swiss Confederation and the State of Geneva in 1964. Its purpose is to facilitate the establishment of international organizations in the canton of Geneva. It finances, builds, administers and maintains buildings placed at the disposal of international organizations with headquarters in Geneva. FIPOI owns the CICG.

¹⁸ The State of Geneva grants the surface rights free of charge (approx. value: CHF ~ 300 m.).

¹⁹ The Swiss Confederation grants interest-free loans (for 50 years) through the FIPOI to the international organizations for the construction of their buildings.

²⁰ These institutions support the Swiss authorities in their role as host country, contribute to the influence of international Geneva and to the city's continuation as the seat of international organizations.