

High-level group for strategic developments in business architecture in statistics (HLG-BAS)

## **Workshop on Strategic Developments in Business Architecture in Statistics**

### **Information Notice No. 2**

The UNECE will host the workshop in Room XI at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, from 31 October to 1 November 2011. The workshop will start at 14.00 on 31 October and finish by 17.00 on the 1st November.

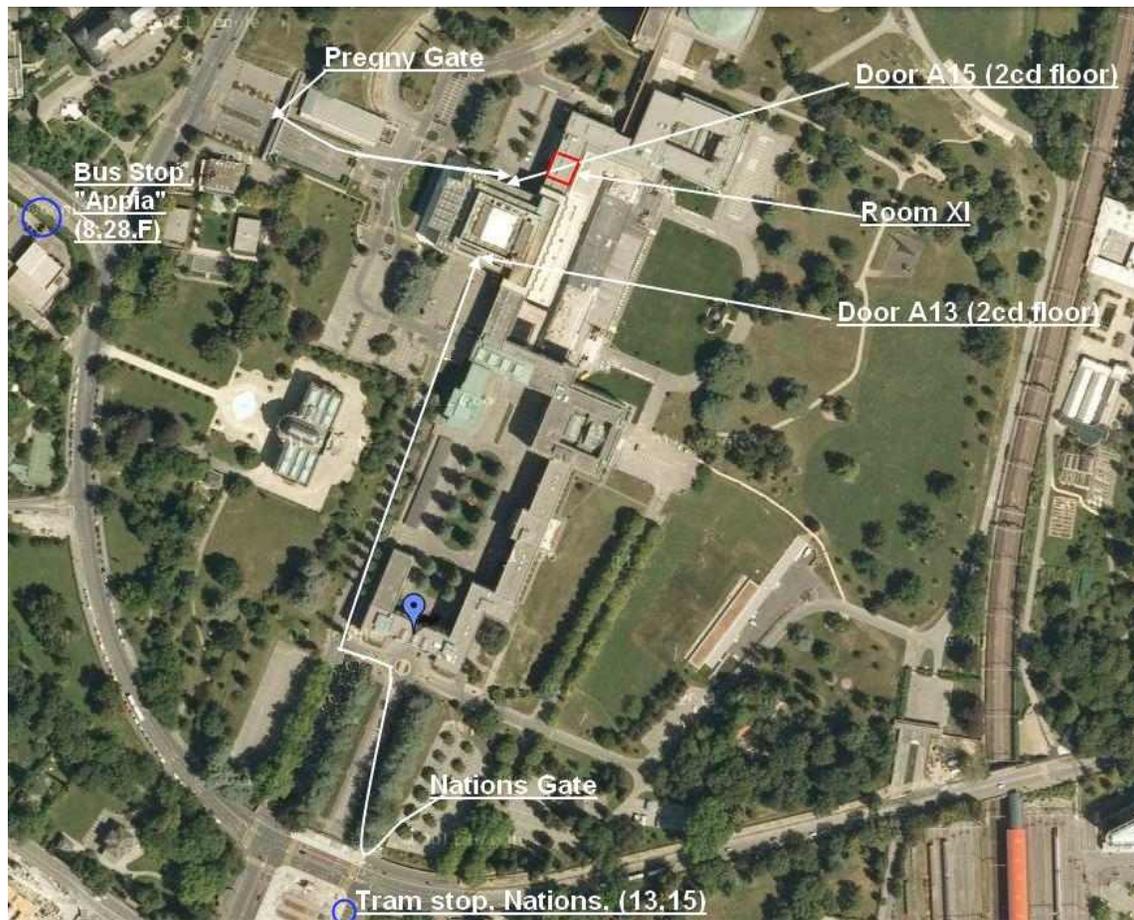
#### **I. MEETING DOCUMENTS**

1. Presentations and papers received for the workshop will be loaded on the meeting web site at: <http://www.unece.org/stats/documents/2011.10.hlgbas.html>.

#### **II. ACCESS TO THE PALAIS DES NATIONS**

2. On the first day, you should go to the security building at the “Pregny Gate” (following the white arrows on the map). You will need to show your passport. You may also be asked for a copy of your registration form, so please bring this with you. You will be given a security badge which will be valid for both days. Please allow plenty of time for the security control (at least 1 hour is recommended), as there can be long queues at busy times. You should avoid the period between 08.30 and 10.30 which is often particularly busy.
3. You may bring into the Palais the type of bags that are normally considered as hand luggage by airline companies, e.g. computer bags, rucksacks and hand bags. There is limited storage space for larger bags at the Pregny Gate security building, but this is sometimes full.
4. When you have your security badge, you are free to enter and leave the grounds of the Palais des Nations by any of the gates. You may find it more convenient to use the “Nations Gate”, following the white arrows on the map.
5. Inside the Palais there is a bank with cash machine, a travel agency, post office, newspaper kiosks and a United Nations book and souvenir shop. There are also several bars and restaurants and a duty-free supermarket. For more information see: [http://unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/meetings/practical\\_information/2010\\_Practical\\_Guide.EFR.pdf](http://unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/meetings/practical_information/2010_Practical_Guide.EFR.pdf)

6. Map of Palais des Nations with directions to the conference room (Room XI – 3<sup>rd</sup> floor)



### III. PUBLIC TRANSPORT IN GENEVA

#### *Free travel from the airport*

7. Free tickets for public transport are available from a machine in the baggage collection area (just before passing through customs). This ticket allows you free use of public transport (train, tram, bus, boat) within Geneva for up to 80 minutes. In the event of a ticket inspection, anyone holding this type of ticket may be asked to show their airline ticket.

8. Geneva Airport is approximately four kilometres from the city centre. The train is the most efficient way to get into the city centre. Follow the signs to the airport railway station from the arrivals area. Trains leave approximately every 15-20 minutes, and all stop at the central Geneva-Cornavin station. The journey takes six minutes.

9. It is also possible to get from the airport directly to the Palais des Nations by bus. Line 28 (direction “Jardin Botanique”) is the most convenient for the Pregny Gate, and stops at “Appia” then “Nations”. Line 5 also runs from the airport to the city centre via “Nations”.

#### *Free travel during your stay in Geneva*

10. Your hotel should give you a “Geneva Transport Card”, which allows you to use public transport in Geneva free of charge during the period of your stay.

***From the city centre / Geneva-Cornavin station to the Palais des Nations***

11. On the first day, when you have to collect your security pass, bus 8 from Cornavin station to “Appia” is probably the easiest. Buses run every 7-8 minutes on this line at peak times. At other times, trams 13 and 15 to “Nations” may be more convenient. To walk from Cornavin station to the Place des Nations takes around 30 minutes (plus another 5 minutes to the Pregny Gate). For a more pleasant, but longer walking route, follow the path along the side of the lake until you get to the offices of the World Trade Organization, then up the hill to the Place des Nations.

***More information***

12. For more information about public transport in Geneva, including time-tables, please see [www.tpg.ch](http://www.tpg.ch). A plan of the whole public transport network is available at: <http://www.tpg.ch/fr/horaires-et-reseau/plans-du-reseau/plan-general-reseau-tpg.php>

**IV. TOURIST INFORMATION**

13. General information about Geneva: [www.geneva-tourism.ch](http://www.geneva-tourism.ch)

**V. FURTHER INFORMATION**

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