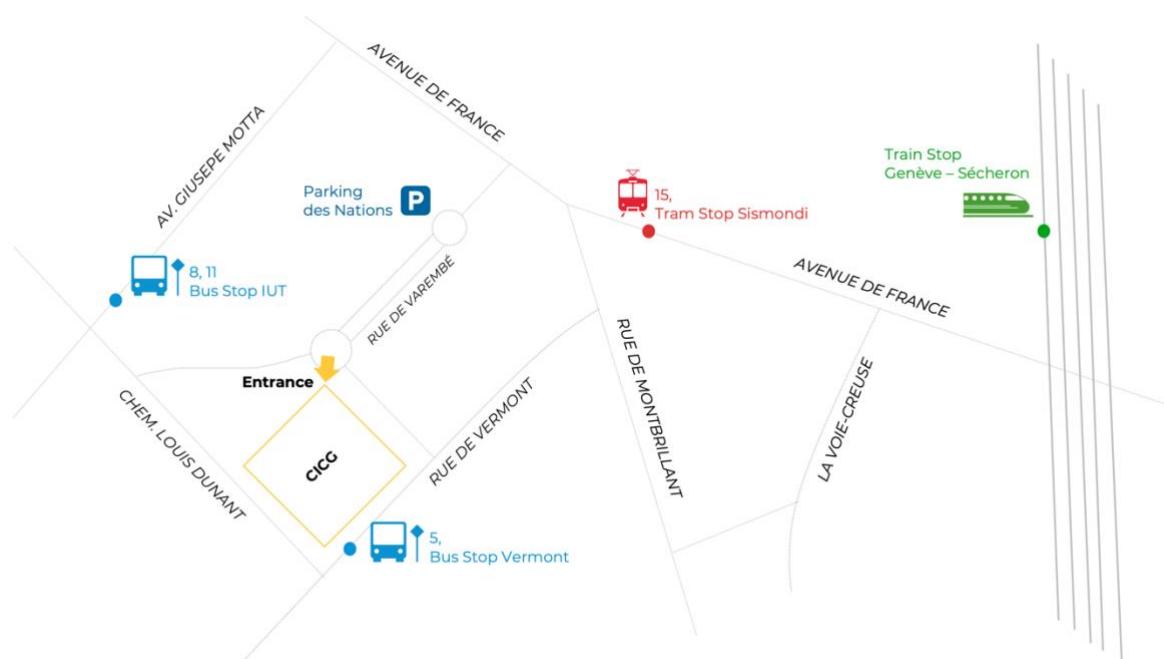


# Practical Information

Please find below the necessary information to plan your participation. We look forward to welcoming you to Geneva.



## How to get to the CICG?

Building Bridges 2022 will be held in the *Centre International des Conférences de Genève (CICG)*, which is located a few steps away from the Palace of Nations, the United Nations headquarters in Europe. As the CICG is at the very heart of International Geneva, it is easily accessible through Geneva public transport system.

Individual transportation is the responsibility of each conference guest.

## Address

*Centre international des conférences de Genève*, 17 rue de Varembe, CH-1202 Geneva, GE

## By car

Parking Place des Nations Route de Varembe 3, 1202 Geneva

## **By tram**

Line 15, stop Sismondi

## **By train**

CFF and CEVA, stop *Genève Sécheron*

## **By bus**

Line 5, stop *Vermont*

Lines 8, 11 stop *UIT*

All transit information can be found at the website for the Transport Publique Genève (TPG) <https://www.tpg.ch>

## **What are the passport and visa requirement to enter Switzerland?**

Please check with your closest embassy or consulate of Switzerland for your visa requirements. You may use [this website](#) to see if a visa is required for your visit to Switzerland but exact details should be checked with the embassy. The Building Bridges Secretariat is not responsible for providing visas but can provide you with an invitation letter. After registering, you can request an invitation letter by contacting our Registration Team at [registration@buildingbridges.org](mailto:registration@buildingbridges.org). In addition, please check that your passport does not expire within 3 months after the ending date of the Building Bridges Week which is October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

## **How to get from the Geneva Airport to the City of Geneva?**

### **By train**

The fastest and easiest way to get into the City of Geneva is by train. There are frequent trains between the Geneva Airport and the main train station, Gare Cornavin (6-minute ride) where most bus and tram routes pass, including all busses and trams to the CICG. Simply purchase a one-hour standard Geneva transit ticket for 3CHF, and the airport train is included within this fare.

## **By bus**

While we recommend the train, there are busses that also run between the airport and the train station, Gare Cornavin.

*Line 5*

*Line 10*

## **Where to stay in Geneva?**

Building Bridges does not have official hotels, but we recommend the following three hotels close to the conference venue (CICG):

- Intercontinental Genève – 5-star Hotel  
Located 11 min walking distance from CICG.  
Book a room [here](#).
  
- The Manotel Royal - 4-star Hotel  
Located 7 min by public transportation from CICG.  
Book a room [here](#).
  
- The Ibis Geneve Centre Nations – 3-star Hotel  
Located 11 min walking distance from CICG.  
Book a room [here](#).

## **Which COVID-19 safety measures apply?**

There are currently no COVID-19 restrictions in place for entering Switzerland but we encourage guests to monitor [this website](#) for the most up-to-date information on health and safety measures.

All COVID-19 measures at CICG premises have been lifted. All people at the premises are encouraged to observe safety and hygiene measures including hand washing.

## **Which weather conditions to expect in Geneva in October?**

Average temperatures vary around 5°C (41 ° F) to 18°C (64.4 ° F) with periodic rain showers.

### ● **What languages are spoken?**

The official language of Building Bridges is English. No translation will be provided.

Please note that the official language in Geneva is French but many/most people also speak English.

### ● **Other practical information?**

Local currency is Swiss Franc (CHF).

The voltage in Switzerland, as in most of Europe, is 230V/50 Hz.

Two associated plug types are being used, types C (2-pin) and J (3-pin).

### ● **Useful Numbers**

Taxi +41 22 331 41 33

Emergency 144

Police 117

Fire department 118