



CONVENTION ON WETLANDS  
CONVENTION SUR LES ZONES HUMIDES  
CONVENCIÓN SOBRE LOS HUMEDALES  
(Ramsar, Iran, 1971)

**Earth Observation Day**  
**Gland, Switzerland**  
**6 December 2024**

## Information for Participants

### Documents

Meeting documents will be available on the [Convention's website](#) in English.

Please note that the Convention has paperless meetings, so paper copies of documents will not be distributed during the meeting.

### Visas

For information on visa requirements for Switzerland and the Schengen area: [link](#).

Please check your need for a Swiss visa or a transit visa for any stopovers en route to Switzerland. Visa processing may take up to four weeks, it is therefore recommended contacting your nearest Swiss Embassy as early as possible.

### Medical insurance

Participants are requested to make sure that their medical and accident insurance covers their travel and stay in Switzerland.

The Secretariat will provide **sponsored** participants with insurance for emergency medical treatment and accidents. This insurance does not cover pre-existing treatment for medical conditions.

### Accommodation

Participants are invited to book their accommodation in Gland or the nearby town of Nyon.

#### **Nyon**

##### **Hotel Des Alpes\*\*\***

T. +41 22 994 30 00

Email: [info@alpes-nyon.ch](mailto:info@alpes-nyon.ch)

Website: [https://www.alpes-nyon.ch/index\\_en\\_GB.html](https://www.alpes-nyon.ch/index_en_GB.html)

##### **Hotel Le Rive\*\*\*\***

T. + 41 22 552 20 80

Email: [info@hotel-le-rive.ch](mailto:info@hotel-le-rive.ch)

Website: <https://hotel-le-rive.ch/en/>

**Ambassador Boutique Hotel\*\*\*\***

T. +41 22 994 48 48

Email: [reservation@hotel-ambassador-nyon.ch](mailto:reservation@hotel-ambassador-nyon.ch)

Website: <https://www.hotel-ambassador-nyon.ch/en/>

**Base Nyon\*\*\*\***

T. +41 22 361 36 36

Email: [hello@basenyon.com](mailto:hello@basenyon.com)

Website: <https://www.baseaparthotels.com/nyon/>

**Hotel Real\*\*\*\***

T. +41 22 365 85 85

Email: [mail@hotelrealnyon.ch](mailto:mail@hotelrealnyon.ch)

Website: <https://www.hotelrealnyon.com/>

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**Hotel de l'Ange**

T. +41 22 361 55 09

Email: [info@hoteldelange.ch](mailto:info@hoteldelange.ch)

Website: <https://hoteldelange.ch/?lang=en>

**Gland****Hotel Glanis\*\*\***

T. +41 22 354 16 20

Email: [hotelglanis@bluewin.ch](mailto:hotelglanis@bluewin.ch)

Website: <https://www.hotelglanis.ch/>

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**Hotel de la Plage**

T. +41 22 364 10 35

Email: [info@hoteldelaplage.ch](mailto:info@hoteldelaplage.ch)

Website: <https://www.hoteldelaplage.ch>

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For more options, please visit:

[booking.com](https://www.booking.com)

[MySwitzerland.com](https://www.myswitzerland.com)

[Kayak](https://www.kayak.com)

**Travel in Switzerland**

Participants are responsible for arranging their own travel arrangements and covering associated costs.

**From Geneva Airport to your hotel (Nyon)**

A direct [train service](#) connects Geneva Airport to Nyon and Gland.

Upon arrival at the airport, follow signs to the "Gare CFF/SBB" in the Arrival Hall, and proceed to the railway station's ticket hall.

You can purchase your ticket from a ticket machine with Swiss francs (CHF) or a credit/debit card. As of January 2024, a one-way ticket to Nyon costs CHF 15.40 (2<sup>nd</sup> class).

Timetables displaying train schedules are located above the escalators leading down to the train platforms. Ensure you take a train stopping in Nyon. Direct trains depart at 18 and 48 minutes past every hour, arriving in Nyon 25 minutes later. Timetables are available [here](#).

**From Nyon to the Secretariat headquarters in Gland**

The journey from Nyon to Gland is a three-minute, one-stop train ride. Trains depart Nyon (direction Lausanne) in the mornings at 06 and 36 minutes past every hour. In the evenings, trains leave Gland for Nyon (direction Genève) at 21 and 51 minutes past the hour.

You can request the [Carte Explore](#) from your hotel for the duration of your stay in Switzerland. It entitles you to free travel by bus or train in all Mobilis zones in the Nyon district, covering Gland area.

The Secretariat headquarters are in the [Conservation Centre](#) shared with IUCN at Rue Mauverney 28, 1196 Gland. It is 11 minute [walk](#) from the Gland railway station.

#### **Taxi services**

Taxi Alliance T. +41 79 206 83 59

ABC Taxi T. +41 22 361 45 45

Nyon-Gland or Gland-Nyon approx. CHF 25

Gland to Geneva Airport approx. CHF 100

#### **Meals**

Lunch will be provided at the Conservation Centre's cafeteria. A dedicated area will be reserved for the meeting participants. Additionally, Nyon offers various [dining options](#).

#### **Currency and exchange**

The currency used in Switzerland is Swiss francs (CHF). Sponsored participants will receive a daily substance allowance (DSA) on the first day of the meeting. Exchange services are not available during weekends in Nyon or Gland.

#### **Weather**

You may wish to check the weather in Switzerland before your trip at: [www.meteoswiss.ch](http://www.meteoswiss.ch).

#### **Electric plugs and adapters**

In Switzerland, the electrical current is 220 Volts, 50 Hertz. Participants are advised to bring an adapters and converters for charging their electronic devices. The types of sockets used in Switzerland are illustrated below.



The Secretariat wishes you a pleasant journey to Switzerland and looks forward to welcoming you in the Conservation Centre.

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