









# **Understanding Geneva**

5 Saturdays

9th, 23rd October 6th, 20th November 4th December 2010

Department of Geography, Faculty of Economic and Social Sciences

In collaboration with "Petit Futé, Geneva"







ave you recently moved to Geneva? Do you wish to know more about its political, social, economic and geographical context? Would you benefit from exchanging experience with others in the same situation?

Finding out about practices or institutions, and understanding them well enough to be operational in a new environment takes time. Yet this has a cost in terms of professional efficiency.

We offer an intensive and interactive training programme of lectures, visits and debates designed by academics and practitioners to provide all you need to know to make the most of living in Geneva, both professionally and personally.



## Schedule

- Morning: welcome reception (coffee and croissants, presentation of the programme and participants) and 2 presentations
- Lunch debate and networking
- Afternoon: workshops and visits

## Moderation

The 5 days will be moderated by Helène VIBOUREL, Chief Editor "Petit Futé Geneva"



## Programme

## 9th October

### Urban Safari: Places and Landscapes in and around Geneva

9h30 **Welcome reception**, Community arts centre "La Julienne", Plan-les-Ouates Juliet FALL, Professor, Department of Geography, University of Geneva

10h15 Landscape and Territory of Geneva

Dominique ZUMKELLER, Historian-economist, Geneva

11hoo Urban Safari (I)

Philippe BRUN, Lecturer, Department of Geography, University of Geneva

13hoo Lunch at a farm 14h3o Urban Safari (II)

16hoo End (Return to Plan-les-Ouates)

## 23rd October

## L'Esprit de Genève

9h30 Welcome reception, Uni Dufour, University of Geneva

10h00 Geneva, city of finance and economy, NN

11hoo International Geneva

François NORDMANN, former Swiss Ambassador

12h30 Lunch at the Pavillon, Parc des Bastions

14h00 Visit of the Old Town and the International Museum of the Reformation

Anna HAMILTON, Guide, and Isabelle GRAESSLE, Director, International

Museum of the Reformation

16h30 End



#### **Politics and Institutions**

9h30 Welcome reception, Uni Dufour, University of Geneva

10h00 Institutions and the Swiss Political System

Joëlle KUNTZ, Writer and Journalist, Le Temps, Geneva



11hoo Institutions of Geneva through an illustrated visit of the City Hall Dominique LOUIS, Head of Protocol, Republic and Canton of Geneva

12h00 Lunch at the Café Papon, Geneva Old Town

14h00 Round table and discussion of Swiss current affairs with a local politician, moderated by Joëlle KUNTZ

15h30 End

#### 20th November

### **Population and Society**

9h30 Welcome reception, Hospice Général, Geneva

10h00 Demographic Trends in Geneva

Michel ORIS, Professor of social history, University of Geneva

11h00 Understanding the Social Context of Geneva

Bertrand LEVRAT, Director, Hospice Général, Geneva

12hoo Departure to the Pâquis neighborhood by Mouette Boat

12h30 Lunch at the Bains des Pâquis

14h00 Departure to the Grottes neighborhood

Luca PATTARONI, Ecole polytechnique fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL)

14h30 History, planning and citizenship: Les Grottes, NN

16h30 End

## 4th December

#### **Arts and Culture**

9h30 **Welcome reception**, Uni Mail, University of Geneva

10h00 Specificities of the art scene in Geneva, NN

11hoo Cultural Policies in Geneva

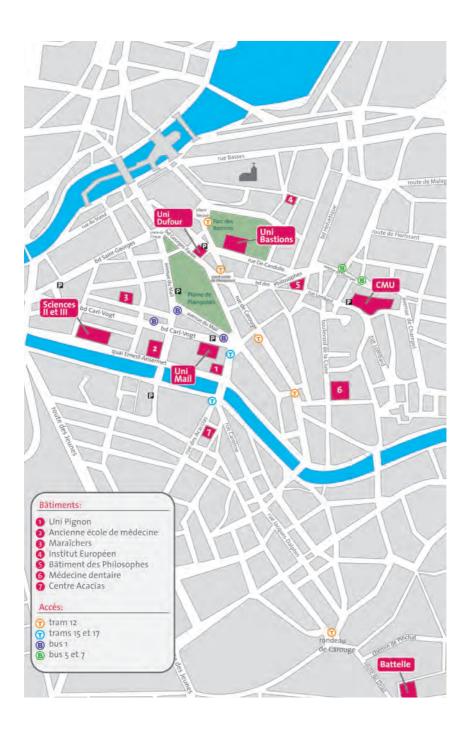
Joëlle COME, Director, Department of Culture, Republic and Canton of Geneva

12h30 Lunch at the Curiositas Restaurant, Quartier des Bains

14hoo Visit of selected art galleries in the Quartier des Bains, and the Musée d'art

moderne et contemporain (MAMCO)

16hoo Farewell cocktail party



## **Practical Information**

#### **Audience**

Professionals from companies, administrations, NGOs, international organizations, higher education bodies. Anyone willing to improve his/her knowledge of Geneva.

#### Conferences

This interactive programme will include well-known academics, journalists, politicians, diplomats and practitioners.

#### Period

- On Saturday: 9 and 23 October, 6 and 20 November, 4 December 2010
- In French: from March to June 2011: www.unige.ch/formcont/comprendregeneve

#### **Fees**

CHF 1'250.- including excursions, conferences, guides, organization, lunches (excluding drinks) and catering.

#### Registration

- Registration on line: www.unige.ch/formcont/understandingGeneva OR
- The attached registration form must be sent prior to 1st October 2010 to: Simon GABERELL Departement of Geography, University of Geneva simon.gaberell@unige.ch

A letter of confirmation including details for payment and the full programme will be sent to participants upon registration. The numbers of participants is limited to 15. Registrations are recorded as they arrive.

## www.unige.ch/formcont/understandingGeneva

Le programme Pour comprendre Genève sera offert en français au printemps 2011



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