

GIGA CONNECTIVITY FORUM

Geneva, 8-10 July 2025

Logistics Note - as of 2 July 2025

This Logistics Note contains information to help you prepare for your participation in the Giga Connectivity Forum.

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1) Schedule

The **event** will take place from **8** to **10 July** at the **Biotech Campus**, Chemin des Mines 9, 1202 Geneva, Switzerland, where is also located the new *Giga Connectivity Centre*.

A **Networking Reception** will take place on Monday 7 July from 17.00 to 19.00 at the *Giga Connectivity Centre* (Biotech Campus, 3rd Floor (B2-03) 9 Chemin des Mines, 1202 Geneva, Switzerland).

An **Official Reception** will take place on Tuesday 8 July from 18.00 to 20.00 at the *Atrium of the Biotech Campus*, (9 Chemin des Mines, 1202 Geneva, Switzerland).

Organized by ITU and UNICEF, the **Giga Connectivity Forum** is being organized alongside the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS), the AI for Good Global Summit, and the ITU 160th Anniversary celebration. However, if you want to attend these events, you must register separately. For WSIS please register in this link:

https://www.itu.int/net4/wsis/forum/2025/Home/Registration





2) Participation

The Giga Connectivity Forum is an invitation-based event and only invited guests can attend.

Invited participants include:

- 1. Representatives of the Ministries of Education, Ministries of Information and Communication Technologies, and of the Communications Regulatory Authorities from the countries engaged with Giga;
- 2. Executives from Development Partners, International Organizations and other key stakeholders focused on achieving universal school connectivity
- 3. Giga partners, both public and private, financial and tech partners, academia and civil society, partnering with Giga, including from Giga's Geneva ecosystem.
- 4. UN Mission representatives based in Geneva

The meeting will be in-person only, but we may record some sessions.

All in-person participants must register in advance and will have to collect their badge at the reception desks of the Biotech Campus.

Please note that there will be no onsite registration.

Most of our sessions are interactive and participants will be required to speak in English.

3) Accessing the Giga Connectivity Forum (7 - 10 July 2025)

Badge collection

Your registration confirmation, together with your passport or a government issued photo ID card must be presented to collect your delegate badge.

Badge collection will take place at the reception desk of the Biotech Campus, Chemin des Mines 9, 1202 Geneva, Switzerland-

Badging desks will be open:

7 July - 14:00 - 19:00

8 July - 8:00 - 19:00



9 July - 7:30 - 17:00

10 July - 8:00 - 13:00

Please note: Badges can only be picked up during the above time windows. The Giga team will not be able to facilitate any latecomers/late requests or do onsite registration.

As such, badges are strictly non-transferable. Participants are responsible for securing their badges.

Participants are encouraged to arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the session to allow for sufficient time for badge collection and access to the Auditorium or Giga Connectivity Centre.

4) Getting Around the Biotech Campus

All the activities of the Giga Connectivity Forum 2025 will take place at the Campus Biotech (9 Chemin des Mines, 1202 Geneva, Switzerland).

The Campus Biotech is located in the heart of the International Geneva neighbourhood, (i.e., in walking distance of major international organizations, such as the United Nations, the **International Telecommunication Union**, the International Committee for the Red Cross, the World Trade Organization, the World Health Organization, or the International Labor Organization).

The Giga Connectivity Centre is located on the 3rd Floor (B2-03) of the Campus Biotech. Signage will be provided.

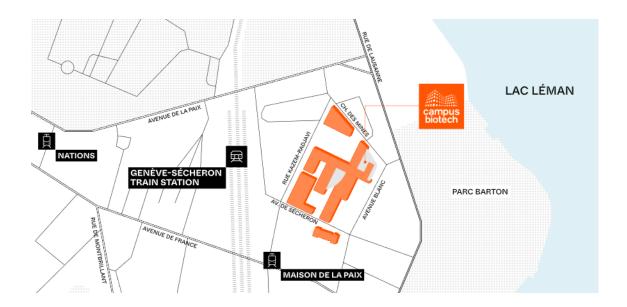
Session locations

- The *Networking Reception* will take place on Monday 7 July at the *Giga Connectivity Centre* (Biotech Campus, 3rd Floor B2-03)
- The Plenary Sessions on 8 and 9 July will take place at the Campus Biotech Auditorium
- The Official Reception will take place on Tuesday 8 July at the Atrium of the Campus Biotech
- Workshop Sessions on 10 July will take place at the Giga Connectivity Centre (Biotech Campus, 3rd Floor B2-03)
- On 8 and 9 July, **Giga help desks** shall be available to country delegations for a deeper dive on the support from Giga at the Giga Connectivity Centre (Biotech Campus, 3rd Floor B2-03)



Accessing the Biotech Campus by public transportation

There are several bus/tram stops in the vicinity of the Giga Connectivity Centre (tram 15 and bus lines 1, 11, 22 and 25) Geneva´s public transport system is operated by the <u>Transports publics genevois (TPG)</u>. You can also arrive by train at CFF Train Station "Genève Sécheron".



<u>Drop off zone – arriving by taxi or private chauffeur</u>

9 Chemin des Mines, 1202 Geneva, Switzerland, in front of the Campus Biotech building entrance

<u>Parking</u>

Parking is available at the P+R Sécheron, located next to the Campus.

Parking restrictions are in force for the streets adjacent to the Campus Biotech. Visitors are advised to respect these restrictions.

Where to Eat

Please note that coffee breaks on 8 and 9 July will be offered at the lobby area of the Campus Biotech Auditorium and on 10 July at the *Giga Connectivity Centre* (Biotech Campus, 3rd Floor B2-03)



On 8 and 9 July the networking lunches will be offered at the Newrest Restaurant, located at the Atrium of the Campus Biotech (ground floor). Vouchers will be distributed as people leave the Auditorium.

A café is also located at the Atrium of the Campus Biotech (ground floor)

Medical Services

Participants are responsible for making their own insurance arrangements, including life, health and other forms deemed appropriate. Make sure that you are covered by your health insurance provider during your stay. The United Nations does not take responsibility for the ill health of any participants during their stay.

Medical Service is available onsite in building H8. To access to the room, the security centre has to be contacted via 00 41 58 944 03 33.

In case of an emergency, participants may contact directly the ambulance services at 144.

Wifi access

Wi-Fi access is available throughout the Biotech Campus premises. The configuration parameters are as follows:

Wifi access in the Biotech Campus common areas:

Network name: CAMPUS_VISITORS

Password: welcomecampus

Wifi access in the Giga Connectivity Centre:

Network name: GIGAwifi-guest Password: GIGA@Biotech

5) Accessibility

All the Facilities of the Campus Biotech (Auditorium, Atrium or the Giga Connectivity Centre office) are accessible for disabled visitors and persons with limited mobility.

6) Other relevant information

Please be mindful that, by attending the event you will be entering an area where photography, as well as audio and video recording, may occur. By joining the event, participants consent to appearing in images and recordings and to the release, publication, exhibition and reproduction of such images and recordings.



The Giga Connectivity Centre is a workplace for delegates and staff. Participants are reminded to behave appropriately, to keep noise levels down and to dress in a way that respects the professional working environment of the United Nations.

The Security Services reserve the right to deny entry or remove from the premises anyone not behaving or dressed appropriately.

7) Planning your Travel

Please ensure that the necessary arrangements are made in a timely fashion to obtain a Swiss visa, as appropriate. Information regarding Swiss visas can be found on this website:

https://www.swiss-visa.ch

8) Getting Around Geneva

Public transportation

Geneva has a very good <u>public transportation</u> system that will quickly and conveniently get you to any corner of the city. It is an interconnected system of trams, buses (TPG), <u>mouettes</u> (yello transport <u>boats</u>) and trains (CFF) in the city of Geneva. The whole system uses the same tickets. With one ticket, you can use all ways of transport!

The most common ticket is valid for 60 minutes and is transferable (CHF 3). Alternative is short 3 stops ticket (CHF 2). Tickets are to be bought at the ticket machines located at every bus or tram stop in the city and inside the buses going outside of the city. As there are no ticket machines in the city buses, you are supposed to buy your ticket at the station before the vehicle comes. There is a date and time printed on the purchased ticket in a moment it's printed, so always buy only one ticket - the one that you are going to use!

<u>Important stations in Geneva</u>

- Gare Cornavin Train Station
- Gare Routiere Bus Station
- Geneva International <u>Airport</u>

Taxis in Geneva

Taxis in Geneva are expensive and typically not always easy to hail on the street, so you will probably have to call one in advance.

Example: Taxiphone Genève: 0041 22 33 141 33