



GENEVA GROUP INTERNATIONAL

**Geneva Group International European Conference  
Lucerne, Switzerland  
14-17 May 2009**

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To all participants

In order to get well prepared for your journey to Switzerland you can already find following some general and useful information for your stay:

v **Arrivals and departures**

Guests arrive by car, by plane and by train.

**Zurich Airport**

Hotel Palace Luzern is approximately 1 hour by transfer from Zurich Airport.

We have organized airport transfers for those of you who have registered for the transfer – you will receive all detailed information about the airport transfer by separate e-mail in due course.

**SBB trains**

Most of our guests will take the fast and inexpensive SBB trains which depart from Zurich Airport every 15-20 minutes. Please check timetable on [www.sbb.ch](http://www.sbb.ch) .

v **Car rentals**

You can find several car rental companies at the airport and also in the city of Lucerne.

Website links: [www.sixt.ch](http://www.sixt.ch) , [www.avis.ch](http://www.avis.ch) , [www.hertz.ch](http://www.hertz.ch) , [www.budget.ch](http://www.budget.ch) .

v **Bar**

We will enjoy our evenings (after dinner) in the wonderful area of the Palace Bar. Opening hours from 11:00 hrs as long as there are a sufficient amount of guests in the bar. The bar is located on the ground floor in the hotel lobby.

v **Check in / Check out**

Check in time is 14:00 hrs. Check out time is 12:00 hrs.

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### v **Currency**

The official currency is the Swiss Franc (CHF).

Monetary unit: 1 CHF = 100 Rappens (Rp.)

1.00 CHF = 0.88 USD

1.00 CHF = 0.66 EUR

*(Source: XE Online, 30 April 2009)*

Credit cards are accepted widely at most locations. You can get cash from ATM machines or banks. Most banks are open from Monday to Friday between 08:00 hrs and 12:00 hrs and from 14:00 hrs to 16:00 hrs. On weekdays business hours start at 9:00 hrs and end at 17:00 hrs. On Saturdays and Sundays banks are closed.

### v **Dates and places**

Official program starts on Thursday, 14 May with Welcome Reception and ends with Gala dinner on Saturday night, 16 May 2009. Practice Group Meetings (optional) except International Taxation will take place on Friday afternoon according to the program.

#### **Conference Hotel**

Hotel Palace Luzern

Haldenstrasse 10

6002 Lucerne, Switzerland

[www.palace-luzern.ch/en](http://www.palace-luzern.ch/en)

Phone: +41 41 416 16 16

Email: [info@palace-luzern.ch](mailto:info@palace-luzern.ch)

#### **Main Conference Room:**

Room Ambassadeur, ground floor (for details refer to the delegates program)

**Welcome Reception** will be in the hotel Lobby on Thursday, 14 May 2009 from 19:30 hrs. The **Welcome Dinner** will follow the Welcome Reception starting at 20:30 hrs in the room **Les Artistes** in the hotel.

#### **Dinner outside on Friday, 16 May 2009**

Restaurant Old Swiss House

Löwenplatz 4

6004 Lucerne

[www.oldswisshouse.ch](http://www.oldswisshouse.ch)

Phone: +41 41 410 61 71

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

### v **Electricity**

The voltage is 220volts. Please be advised to bring a power converter and an adapter for two-prong, round-prong plugs with side grounding contacts. You will require a voltage converter if you are carrying a device that does not accept 220 Volts at 50 HZ.

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### v **Internet Access**

The hotel has internet access in every room.

### v **Parking**

The hotel has a parking area. Please contact the hotel directly for reservations.

### v **Game of Golf**

The Game of Golf will take place on **Thursday, 14 May 2009**, at the Golf Club Sempachersee in Hildisrieden ([www.golf-sempachersee.ch](http://www.golf-sempachersee.ch)).

Departure from the hotel lobby will be at 08:40 hrs. Return to hotel will be around 16:30 hrs.

Golf players will receive all detailed information in a separate e-mail.

### v **Hospitality Desk**

Lobby of the Hotel Palace Luzern – Please ensure to sign up for the **workshop of your choice** upon check in at the Hospitality desk! Please check your registrations for the sightseeing tours and Practice Group Meetings.

### v **Meeting point**

For all transfers and excursions meeting point will be the lobby of the hotel.

### v **Practice Group Meetings**

On Friday afternoon most of the practice group meetings will take place, directly organized by the practice group Chairmen. If you have not yet registered for a practice group meeting, or if you have contributions for the agenda you still have time to contact the Head Office and Chairman of the group concerned!

#### **Thursday, 14:30 – 18:00 hrs:**

##### § **International Taxation**

Oliver Biernat, [o.biernat@benefitax.de](mailto:o.biernat@benefitax.de)

#### **Friday, 14:00 – 18:00 hrs:**

##### § **Cross Border Debt Collection, M&A and Insolvency Joint Meeting**

Johan F. Langelaar, [langelaar@tklaw.nl](mailto:langelaar@tklaw.nl)

Andrew Lindsay, [cal@denisontill.com](mailto:cal@denisontill.com)

Dr. Attila Kovács, [kovacs.attila@krs.hu](mailto:kovacs.attila@krs.hu)

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- § **International Executive Services**  
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- § **Real Estate**  
Dr. Reinhard Nacke, [nacke@fps-law.de](mailto:nacke@fps-law.de)
- § **Enhanced Business Opportunities**  
Elisabeth Heller, [e.heller@hellerconsult.com](mailto:e.heller@hellerconsult.com)
- § **IT, E-commerce & Telecommunications**  
Dr. Bernd Tremml, [btremml@law-wt.de](mailto:btremml@law-wt.de)

### v **Recreation**

Hotel Palace Luzern offers some options of leisure and sporting facilities including a Wellness and Health Centre as well as other activities as guided jogging, gym, SPA programs. The wellness part offers different types of massage, sauna and fitness for 24 hours. Please note the hotel granted special wellness treatments exclusively for GGI guests. For appointments please contact the hotel directly:  
Phone: +41 41 416 16 16 ; Email: [info@palace-luzern.ch](mailto:info@palace-luzern.ch)

### v **Time**

The Swiss time is 1 hour ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT); GMT +1.

### v **Shopping**

The best place for shopping is in the city center from 09:00 hrs until 18:00 hrs. Shops are closed on Sundays.

### v **Weather**

The weather is supposed to be sunny and slightly cloudy with temperatures around 15°C/20°C (during the day).

If you have any dietary requirements or special requests (e.g. vegetarian meals, food allergies), please let us know as soon as possible. We want your stay in Switzerland to be a memorable experience.

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