

Operational Policy and Advocacy Group (OPAG) Meeting

7-8 November 2019

Host: Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC)

Location: Starling Hotel, Geneva

Logistics Information

WHEN

The Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) Operational Policy and Advocacy Group (OPAG) will meet on 7-8 November 2019 from 9.00 am to 5.00 pm (coffee will be served from 8.30 a.m. for both days).

WHERE

The meeting will take place at the **Starling Hotel**, located at 34, route François-Peyrot, 1218 Le Grand-Saconnex in Geneva, Switzerland.

SECURITY

Please ensure that you bring an official ID with you for meeting registration purposes.

FREE SHUTTLE BUS TO/FROM THE AIRPORT

Free shuttle bus from the Geneva International Airport to Starling Hotel will be provided at the arrival level, gate 3, departing every 15 minutes from 5.10 am to 11.45 pm.

TAXI

Participants should make a reservation at least 30 minutes in advance with Taxiphone Genève at +41 22 33 141 33. Uber is also operational in Geneva.

BUS

“Gd Saconnex place” stop is the closest to the hotel. Bus no.5 (direction “Aéroport”) runs from Geneva’s railway station (Cornavin) to “Gd Saconnex place”. Bus no.5 (direction “Thonex-Vallard”) also runs from Geneva Airport to “Gd Saconnex place”. In addition to bus no. 5, buses 5+, 53 and F stop at the “Gd Saconnex place”. Bus timetables and maps can be found by visiting www.tpg.ch.

MEALS

A seated buffet lunch will be served downstairs in the Starling Café restaurant during lunch hours on both days.

Hot beverages and water will be available throughout the meeting.

Coffee/ tea will be served outside the meeting room from 08:30 to 09:00. There will be a morning coffee break and an afternoon coffee break provided for both days.

INTERNET

A Wi-Fi connection can be accessed free of charge in the meeting room. Details on passwords will be shared during the meeting.

ACCOMMODATION

Participants are requested to make their own accommodation arrangements. Geneva offers a large variety of hotels. Please contact Ms. Yong Musasa (yong.koko@nrc.no), should you require hotel recommendations.

DINNER ON 7 NOVEMBER

Dinner will be hosted at “**Auberge du Grand-Saconnex**” (www.aubergegrandsaconnex.ch) which will be approximately 10 minutes’ walk from Starling Hotel on the evening of **7 November at 6.00 pm**, at each participant’s own expense.

Dinner is open to OPAG members, plus-ones as well as Results Group co-Chairs and we look forward to seeing you at the dinner. **Kindly confirm your participation with Ms. Yong Musasa (yong.koko@nrc.no) by 1 November.**

Cash for this meal will be collected during the morning session of the meeting (to be paid in CHF; Euros will not be accepted).

For any further query not covered in this note, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Yong Musasa at NRC (yong.koko@nrc.no, +41 22 552 36 00), or Ms. Mirlinda Pasoma at the IASC secretariat (pasoma@un.org or iasccorrespondence@un.org, +41 22 917 14 38).
