

# Leaflet SWISS SCHENGEN VISA TRIPS TO INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS (GENEVA INTERNATIONAL)

### ORDINARY PASSPORT HOLDERS for trips under 90 Days

## General application rules:

- All requested documents <u>have to be translated</u> into German, French, Italian or English *A list of recognized translators can be found at the Embassy website:* https://www.eda.admin.ch/countries/egypt/en/home/dienstleistungen/arzt-anwalt.html
- If a requested document cannot be provided, there must be a written explanation instead, clarifying why the document is not available
- Accompanying family members without Diplomatic, Service or Special status and without invitation from an International Organization, should refer to the Leaflet "TOURISM" or "VISTING FAMILY / FRIENDS", depending on the purpose of the trip.
- Communication regarding visa matters are only accepted in written form to info.cheg@vfsglobal.com or by calling +20221600058
- The mandatory "Schengen Consultation", which takes a processing time period of at least 10 working days, can only be started upon receiving a complete application file meeting the requirements
- The Embassy reserves the right to ask for additional documents or a personal interview with the applicant.

General requirements	
Visa Application Form	<u>https://www.eda.admin.ch/countries/egypt/en/home/visa/entry-ch/up-90-days/documents-schengen.html#</u> Must be duly filled-in and signed by the applicant!
Passport	<ul> <li>issued within the last 10 years and contains at least 2 blanc pages</li> <li>must be valid for at least 3 months beyond the return from the planned trip</li> </ul>
Previous passport	<ul> <li>covering the past 7 years</li> <li>copies of biometric data page plus all non-empty pages</li> </ul>
1 passport-size photo	with white background and not older than 6 months
Round-trip Ticket	<ul> <li>only air travel reservation (not confirmed)</li> </ul>
Official invitation letter from the International Organization in Switzerland	<ul> <li>on official paper, stamped and signed</li> <li>personally addressed to the name of the applicant</li> <li>containing the following information:         <ul> <li>full address and contacts of the International Organization</li> <li>Purpose and duration of the visit with detailed program</li> <li>Person or entity who will bear the travel and living costs in Switzerland</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Detailed itinerary of the trip	> Original on company letterhead and must include all stop-over in other countries
Bank statement	<ul> <li>Original and covering a period of the past six months</li> <li>Only current or saving account (Deposit Certificates are not accepted!)</li> <li>closing balance must show sufficient means to cover the expenses of the planned trip</li> </ul>
International Travel Insurance	<ul> <li>covering the entire period of intended stay</li> <li>valid for all Schengen countries</li> <li>minimum coverage must be EUR 30'000.00 (this includes expenses of repatriation for medical reasons, urgency medical attention, emergency hospital treatment or death during the stay)</li> <li>a printout certificate/policy in English of *AMAN sticker* on the passport.</li> </ul>
Visa Fees	There are no visa fees for official trips (participation to a meeting / session / workshop) if the invitation is sent from the United Nations Office or any other International Organizations in Genève or an Embassy / Mission in Genève / Bern

# Additional special requirements

#### For foreigners living in Egypt

Must have a residence permit in Egypt valid for at least 3 months beyond the return from the planned trip • original and copy of the accreditation card from the Egyptian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

#### For official trips in relation to an Egyptian governmental delegation:

Must provide a <u>Note from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs</u> stamped and signed containing the following information:

- Purpose and duration of official travel, with exact entry and exit dates
- Indication of the country of main destination

#### For official trips in relation to UN and International Organizations:

Must provide a Note / endorsement letter containing the following information:

- · Purpose and duration of official travel, with exact entry and exit dates
- · Indication of the country of main destination

#### For official trips in relation to NGO delegation or other:

Must provide an Endorsement letter of the company / NGO sending the applicant to Switzerland - on official company paper, stamped and signed - containing the following information:

full address & contacts of the company / NGO
 • Name, position, years of service & salary of applicant
 Other requirements:

- Employment certificate with salary indication if endorsement company / NGO is not the employer
- Original bank statement covering the past six months copied and translated

Cairo, January 2023

**Visa Section Cairo**