



Spouses/partners of employees of International Geneva: How to succeed with your job search



Programme

1. Welcome

Mr. Onder Cetinkaya, President, ITU Staff Council

2. Introduction to CAGI's services

Mr. Yannick Roulin, Ambassador, Director of CAGI

3. The Ci working permit for legitimation cardholders: opportunities and applicable rules

Ms. Laurénie Sulliger, Attachée of the Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the UN

4. Presentation of the International Dual Career Network

Mr Misha Kurochkin, Partner President IDCN Lake Geneva

5. Presentation of the "Association découvrir"

Ms. Sarah Gamblin, Communication, fundraising and partner relations officer of <u>Association Découvrir</u>

- 15 minutes Coffee break -



6. What you need to know when applying for a job in the UN

Ms. Alice Kovarikova and Ms. Rosa Ylimaula, Human Resources Management Service, <u>UN Geneva</u>

7. What do multinational companies pay attention to when recruiting?

Mr. Chris Clay, Global Strategic Talent Acquisition Advisor, Cargill Groupement des Entreprises Multinationales (GEM)

8. How to optimize your job research and applications

Ms. Marine Moncozet and Mr. Elliott Bouet, Michael Page

9. Q&A session

10. Closing

Ms. Maria Traficanti, Chief, ITU Human Resources Management Department





Welcome:

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Ambassador Yannick Roulin, Director of International Geneva Welcome Centre



WHO ARE WE?

A non-profit organisation, founded in 1996 by the Swiss Confederation and the Republic and canton of Geneva.

The 'one stop shop' facilitating the settlement and the integration of employees of International Geneva and their family members.

Assistance to NGOs and support to delegates attending conferences in Geneva.

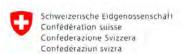
Thanks to the support of public and private entities, CAGI's services are free of charge.





OUR MEMBERS

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Associate members



























Supporting members

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CAGI'S SUPPORT AND SERVICES

WELCOME SERVICE

- Housing & Information
- Welcome Programme
- Practical Geneva

EMPLOYMENT FOR INTERNATIONALS

- CAGI Recruitment Platform
- Private Household Employees platform
- How to assist spouses/partners

CULTURAL KIOSK AT UN GENEVA AND CERN

- Ticket sales, special offers/recommendations

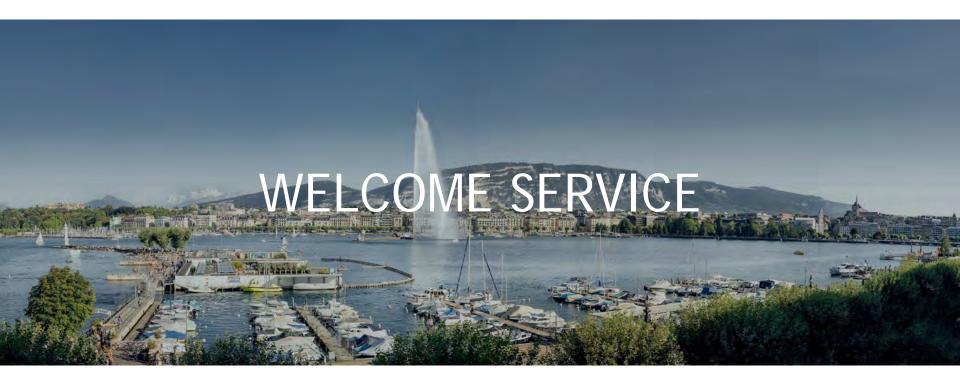
CIVIL SOCIETY SERVICE

- Services for NGOs
- Accommodation for Visiting Delegates
- Delegates Information Desk

SPACES FOR RENT

- CAGI's meeting spaces
- FIPOI Auditorium & other spaces









HOUSING INFORMATION

- Settling-in & departure support
- Proofreading of rental contracts and tenancy law advice
- Housing offer primarily for internationals and online housing platform
- VIP Service for Permanent Representatives, Heads of IOs and their Deputies
- Support Permanent Missions and NGOs in their search for office spaces

Contact





WELCOME PROGRAMME



If you have been in Geneva for less than a year and are eligible, sign up for the Programme and stay informed of the next event!



Download the Programme's brochure







PRACTICAL GUIDE FOR NEWCOMERS

A practical guide to facilitate your settlment and integration before your arrival in Geneva and during your stay.

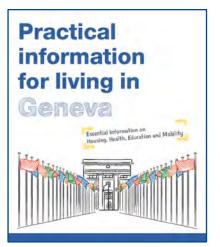
- Practical information (video/brochure)
- 2. Housing in Geneva
- 3. Welcome Programme





PRACTICAL GENEVA

- Informing employees and their family members before their arrival
- How to reach incoming employees of International Geneva?



Booklet















Web Information



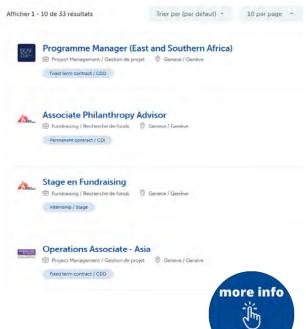




CAGI RECRUITMENT PLATFORM



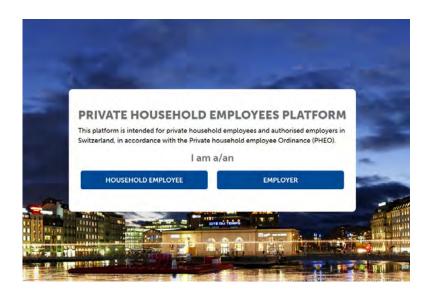




Access the platform



PRIVATE HOUSEHOLD EMPLOYEES PLATFORM



A platform dedicated to members of the staff of:

- diplomatic missions
- permanent missions
- consulates
- international organizations

People looking for a job and those looking for a domestic employee must register online by creating a profile on the platform





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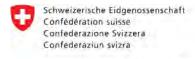
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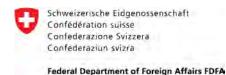
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The Ci working permit for legitimation cards holders: opportunities and applicable rules

Laurénie Sulliger

Attachée (Legal and Protocol Affairs)





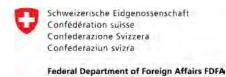
Ci permit – Opportunities

- Provides an easy access to the Swiss labour market for the family members of staff of permanent missions (PM) and international organisations (IO)
- Ci permit is granted without consideration of
 - quotas on foreign workers
 - labour market regulations
- Applies for:
 - consultancy and internship in PM and IO
 - work in private sector
 - work as an independent
 - work from Switzerland for an employer based abroad (incl. IO)

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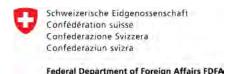
Ci permit – Opportunities

- Ci permit is granted to the following family members:
 - ⇒ spouse & partners
 - ⇒ unmarried children who entered Switzerland before the age of 21
 - ... who are holding legitimation cards type "B", "C", "D", "E", "G", "I", "L" "P" and "R"
 - ... who live in Switzerland together with the principal beneficiary
- Ci permit holder continues to enjoy all of the **privileges and immunities (P&I)** to which they are entitled to as family member (private life), except with regard to their gainful activity
- Ci permit vs legitimation card type "H" (consultants & interns)
 - diplomatic status (see above)
 - unemployment benefits
 - health insurance
 - driving licence



<u>Ci permit – Procedure</u>

- 1. The applicant fill in the **form** *Ci-permit Attestation for the access to the Swiss labour market*
 - ⇒ available on the Swiss Mission's website, section Manual: forms
- 2. If conditions are met, the Swiss Mission sends the requested **attestation** (free of charge)
 - ⇒ it certifies to potential employers that he/she is not subject to Swiss ordinary rules
- 3. A request for Ci permit is submitted to the cantonal population office of the place of residence
 - ⇒ attestation from the Swiss Mission; proof of future employment; OCPM : form "K"
 - ⇒ subject to a fee and additional commercial or health authorisations, where applicable
- → Cl permit is granted in exchange of the legitimation card



Ci permit – FAQ

When can the activity start?

As soon as the application has been submitted to the population office of the place of residence (where applicable, when the necessary authorisations have been obtained from the competent Swiss authorities)

- Validity of the Ci permit?
 - ⇒ For the duration of the contract or independent activity, maximum 2 years (renewable)
 - ⇒ As long as the principal beneficiary exercises official duties and the conditions are met
- Renewal of the Ci permit / change of employment ?

The cantonal population office is in charge of renewing / amending the permit

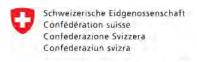
- What happens at the end of functions?
 - ⇒ Keep the Ci permit for the duration of unemployment insurance benefits, if applicable
 - ⇒ Return the Ci permit to population office & request legitimation card back through PM/IO

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Ci permit – Rules and regulations

- 1. Family members are not allowed to work with their legitimation card as spouse/children, unless so authorised by the cantonal population office (ex: incidental gainful activity, summer job as student)
- 2. Ci permit holders are subject to Swiss law with regard to their gainful activity:
 - ✓ Swiss income tax on the gainful employment (in principle, taxation at source)
 - ✓ Swiss social insurances (AVS/AI/APG/AC, LPP) and to Swiss accident insurance
 - ✓ No immunity in case of claims related to their gainful employment
 - ✓ EU/EFTA nationals, family member of a career staff member of an EU/EFTA permanent mission: subject to compulsory Swiss health insurance (LAMal) (cf. Agreement on the Free Movement of Persons, AFMP)

B permit



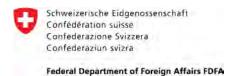
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Ci Permit

Access to Swiss labour market - B permit

EU/EFTA nationals may apply for an ordinary residence permit (B permit) instead of a Ci permit, under AFMP

	
Privileges and immunities	
Keeps P&I in private life (if any)	no P&I
Status in Switzerland	
Depends on principal beneficiary	Independent from principal beneficiary
(official duties and common household)	B permit → C permit → Swiss citizenship
Family members of IO staff members benefiting from the IO health coverage	
Automatic exemption from Swiss health insurance	Must apply for an exemption to Swiss health insurance within 3 months
Income taxes and Swiss social insurances	
Both are subject to	



For more information

Swiss Mission - website

- Manual: Members of family → Ci permit access to the Swiss labour market
- Manual: Taxation → Ci permit taxation
- Manual: Forms → Ci permit attestation

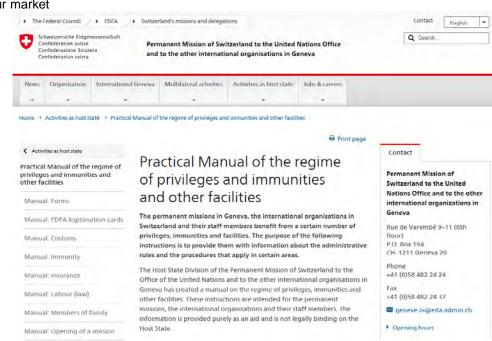
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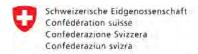
Article 22, Host State Ordinance (HSO)

Swiss Mission - contacts

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Thank you for your attention





INTERNATIONAL DUAL CAREER NETWORK

5th June 2025

Spouses / partners of employees of International Geneva: How to integrate into the local job market





My Journey





Originally from Ukraine
15+ years in International Sales and Marketing
Sales, Marketing and Distribution across 10 markets



2013 - 2014
The first relocation
Good career development



2019 - 2023
The second relocation, UAE
Career is on hold, childcare and self employment



Since Sep 2023 Active job search IDCN volunteering



IDCN Partner Member Profile



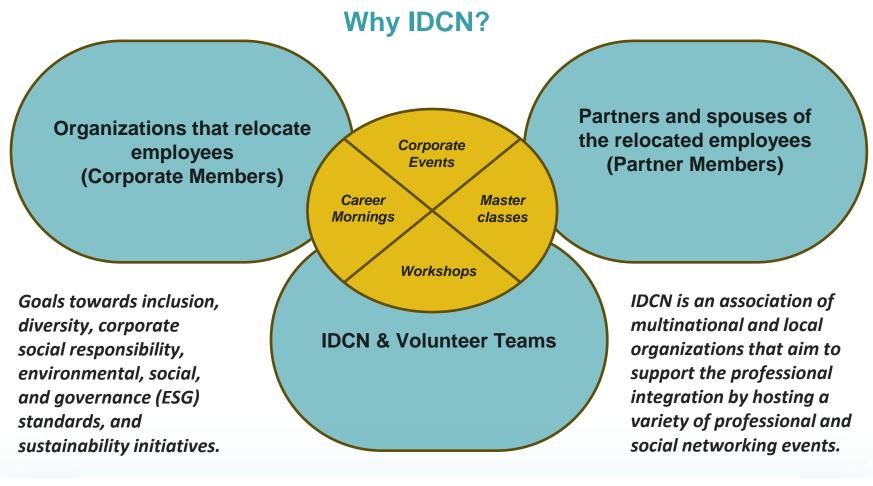
- Young professional.
- High education, good career development.
- Open to explore new opportunities.
- Speaks more than one language.
- Followed spouse / partner in relocation.
- Excited about the Swiss lifestyle.
- Believes to be hired in about 6 month maximum.



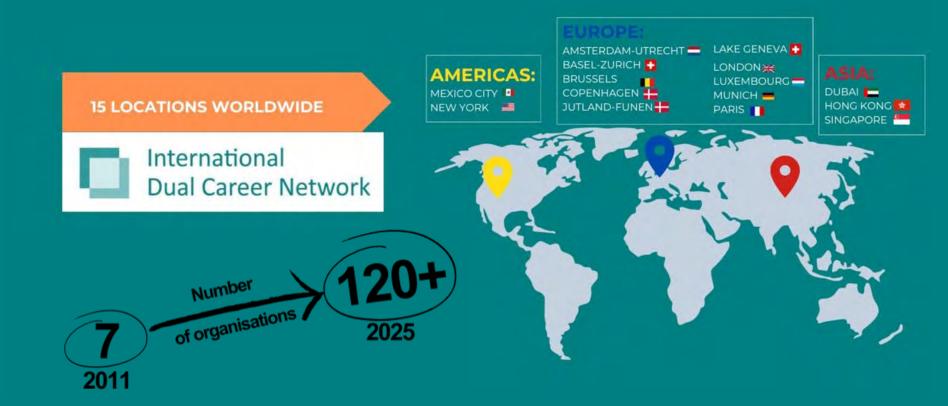
IDCN Partner Member Profile

How do they do Why is everything det local certification? Waype I need to Maybe I need to Where to find a job? networking here? Where to start? Who could Why doesn't so different here? Jearn French? guide me? my CV work?











IDCN Lake Geneva, Key Metrics



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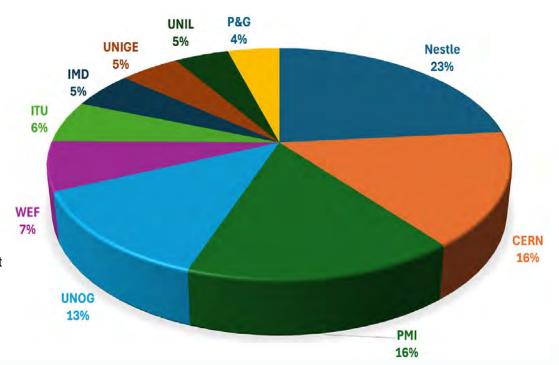
Average age: 35-38

Nationalities: 74

Languages: 38

Top 10 Professional Areas

- Communications
- Education / Training
- Accounting/Finance
- IT / Engineering
- Marketing / Sales / Business Development
- Research & Development
- Project Management
- Operations / Logistics
- Legal / Corporate Affairs / Compliance
- Human Resources





IDCN Lake Geneva Corporate Members











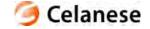




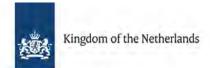




































IDCN, Lake Geneva Steering Committee





Claudia Palm, IDCN Network Lead





Louise Barrelet

 Provide guidance and advice to Partner Committee Office





Laurine Chiarini



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 Steering Committee meets quarterly



IDCN, Lake Geneva Organization Chart





Vice President Roman Andreyev



Vice President
Anupama
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Membership backup Vacant



Events
Team Lead
Roman Andreyev





Events Coordinator Momal Talha







Events Coordinator Vacant







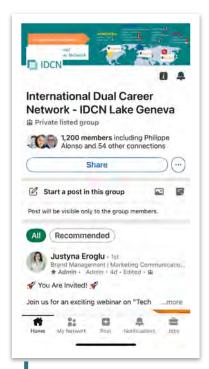
Creative Designer Vacant



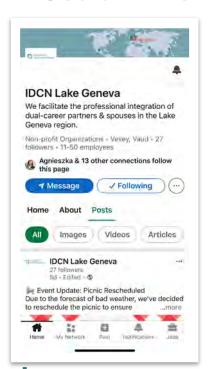
Measurements
Backup
Vacant



Useful links



LinkedIn group



LinkedIn page



IDCN webpage



IDCN Events Calendar 2024



Masterclass

Masterclass

IDCN

Events

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Welcome

event

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Global Webinar

Masterclass

Masterclass



Dec

December 10th

All Corporate

Member

Meeting

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Volunteer

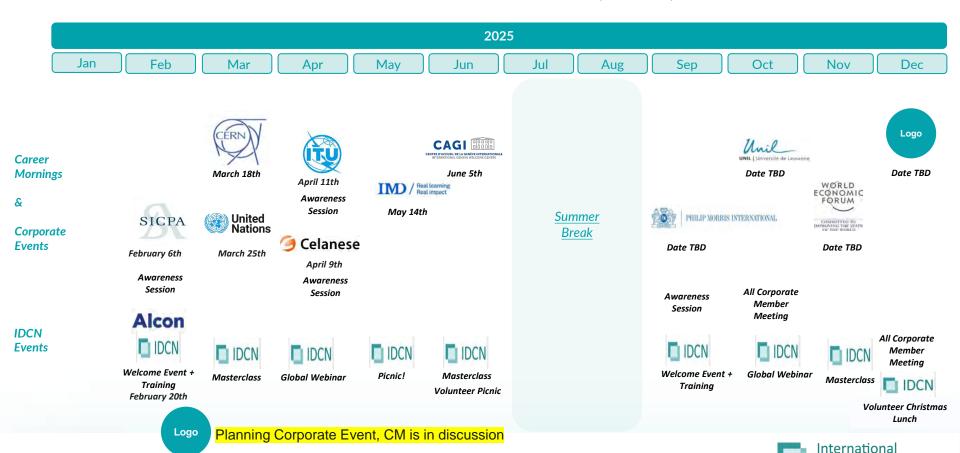
Training

Welcome Event +

Training

Volunteer Picnic

IDCN Events Calendar 2025 - Q1 & Q2 Plan



Dual Career Network

IDCN Lake Geneva Activities 2025

EXTERNAL EVENTS:

- Oorporate Events
- Career Mornings
- Global Webinars
- Spouse Welcome











Events Topics 2024 / 2025



Business creation in Switzerland

SUNSTAR

Work Opportunities at Sunstar and Recruiting Process



Spousal Employment Support Event - How to Succeed in your Job Search



Unleash Your Potential: Discovering Nestlé's Recruitment Secrets



Tech Transformation: Reskilling and Upskilling for Your Next Chapter



Rebranding and Networking in Career Transition



Networking and enhancing visibility



IDCN Lake Geneva Activities 2024

INTERNAL AND SOCIAL EVENTS:

- Masterclasses
- New Member WelcomeEvents
- Volunteer Picnic/Christmas Lunch











Welcome Events for new Partner Members



MAIN OBJECTIVES:

- Warm, informative, and fun welcome sessions.
- Presentation and recruiting of volunteers.

TIMING:

• 2-3 times a year.



IDCN Membership

Benefits:

- 1. Free of charge for partner members.
- 2. Access to IDCN events.
- 3. Professional development, networking & integration.
- 4. Personal development.
- **5.** Social networking, community.

Who can apply:

- Spouse or partner of the IDCN Corporate Member employee.
- Currently unemployed.

 Lives in the Lake Geneva region.



Thank you!

Join today: www.idcn.info





WHO WE ARE



Mission

From 2007

Recognizing skills and promoting the integration of highly skilled migrant women into the Swiss labour market



Target group

- Individuals of foreign origin (primarily women)
- University-level education
- Established in Switzerland for less than 5 years
- Valid work permit



- Help overcome obstacles to professional integration
- Promote the potential of highly skilled migrant talents
- Avoid professional disqualification and the waste of skills

5 branches across 4 cantons: Geneva - Neuchâtel - Lausanne - Renens - Sion

ACTIVITIES

- French & English courses
- Support for the recognition of foreign diplomas
- Support in optimizing application package to meet Swiss standards
- Optimizing LinkedIn profile
- Thematic info sessions
- Job coaching events
- Networking events
- Training & coaching programme (ProActe)
- Mentoring programme



KEY FIGURES

From 2007

- 6,155 talents supported (86% women / 14% men)
- +3,115 integrated into the Swiss workforce
- 149 nationalities represented
- 375 professions
- Over 50 active partnerships
- 19 years of action in support of professional and social integration



"Recognising talent and promoting equality in Switzerland."

NETWORK

















Coordination asile.ge

découvrir

"A network with shared interests to drive greater impact"

INITIATIVES WITH PARTNER COMPANIES



AWARNESS-RAISING
EVENTS
Diversity & Gender Equality



SKILLS
RECOGNITION
Mentoring, Speed-dating,
Career guidance, etc.



Digital platform, Internship opportunities, Diversity and Inclusion Charter



PARTNERS









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THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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15 minutes

- Coffee break -



Career opportunities with the UN

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ITU 5 June 2025







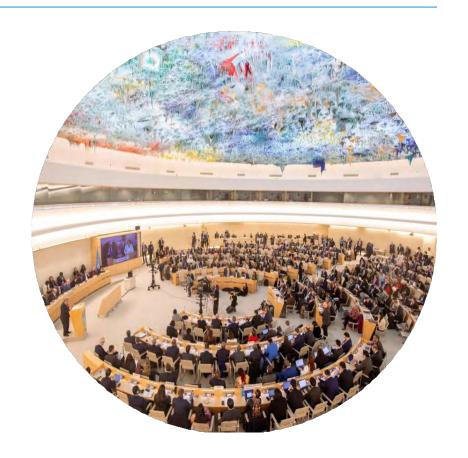
Agenda

- Welcome
- Overview of Career Opportunities at the UN
- Applications to UN positions
- Practical Tips



Career Opportunities at the UN

- Professional posts, General Service posts,
 Consultants/Individual Contractors, Internships, UN
 Volunteers
- The UN working environment is international, mobile and multi-cultural
- All job opportunities are published on careers.un.org





UN Careers Website



Information and Telecommunication Technology





Logistics, Transportation and Supply Chain



Political, Peace and Humanitarian



Public Information and Conference Management





Management and Administration

























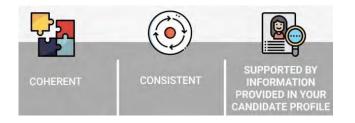
Applications to UN Secretariat Jobs

- Target each job application
- Only include information relevant to the position
- Highlight major accomplishments achieved in the role
- Provide references that know the applicant well and that are reliable sources for feedback
- Pay attention to application deadlines
- Keep a repository of templates of applications for various job types ready



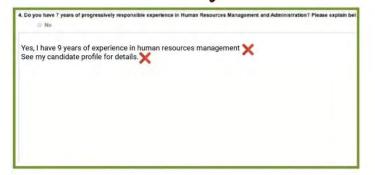


Practical Tips: Answering Job Requirements









GENERIC EXPERIENCE





Yes, from 2016 -2019 with WeRecruit Enterprise.
From 2012 - 2016 with London Homebuilding Association.
From 2009 - 2012 with Save the Children NGO.
From 2005 - 2009 with Private Consulting Frm.

During the above period I performed a wide range of human resources management functions, including managing, coordinating, and implementing large recruitments (over 50) at the national and international level. Managed large and complex rostering exercises from job posting, to assessments to conducting interviews and reporting on results. Experienced in implementing performance appraisal system and advise on its compliance with polices, rules and regulations in my current job with WeRecruit, I provide advice to senior managers and staff on the interpretation and application of human resources policies.

4. Do you have 7 years of progressively responsible experience in Human Resources Management and Administration? Please explain be



Practical Tips: Motivational Statement

- The Organization uses it to gauge your enthusiasm, motivation and cultural and behavioural fit for a certain position.
- Start by captivating the reader's attention and adding a **personal touch** to your statement.

"Growing up in a rural area in XXX, I witnessed first-hand the transformative impact of community-driven initiatives on individuals' lives. One vivid memory that shaped my aspirations occurred during a summer volunteering programme in a remote village in XXX Province. I taught literacy and numeracy to children who had limited access to education, but more importantly, I learned the value of inclusion, diversity, and equitable opportunities. This experience planted a deep commitment to contributing to global development and inspired my interest in talent acquisition and human resource outreach as tools for driving positive change.

This passion has guided my academic and professional journey."

- Make sure you answer two main questions:
 - Why am I interested in the position?
 - Why should they consider me?



Practical Tips: Answering Job Requirements

Cover Letter	Motivation Statement
Directions: Describe how your experience, qualifications and competencies match the position for which you are applying	Directions: Please explain what motivates you to apply for this position. You may also use this space to tell us anything else that is not already in your application that makes you a good fit for this position.
Summary of educational background	Direct explanation of why you applied for this job, in this location, at this moment
Summary of employment history	How your competencies, values, and behaviors are in keeping with the mandate of the UN and the mandate of the particular UN entity you are applying to
Explanation of why your knowledge, skills, and abilities make you a good fit candidate for the job	Any information not included in your application that demonstrates why you are a good fit for the position
Motivation for seeking the position	Elements of personal character and experience that would support your success and resilience in this position
Summary of relevant communications skills and abilities (e.g., languages)	An explanation of how this job fits into your career progression, including (if relevant), why you are shifting to a new area of work and/or new location.
Timeline of availability/administrative factors	Timeline of availability/administrative factors



Practical Tips: Technical Assessments



- Purpose: To verify technical knowledge
- Different types of formats: Essays, multiple choice, translation, graphic design, short videos, etc.
- Preparation: Read the Job Opening description.
 research online
- Read the instructions carefully
 - Cannot use any external help to complete the technical assessment, including AI!
 - Assessment can be proctored

Practical Tips: Competency-Based Interviews (CBI)

- ✓ Structured interviews seeking concrete examples from past experience
- ✓ Main tenet of CBI: Past performance is the best predictor of future performance
- ✓ Questions assess the positive or negative indicators of behaviour
- ✓ Answers to CBI should be:







Useful QR Codes

Resource	Description	URL Link & QR Code
UN Career Portal	Visit the one-stop UN Careers Portal where you can get all the necessary information on current job openings, career options, staff profiles, application tips, pay and benefits, and much more!	https://careers.un.org
Inspira	Use the Inspira application platform to search through current job openings, set job vacancy alerts, create an applicant profile, and submit your applications to work for the United Nations Secretariat.	https://inspira.un.org
Career Tips Thursday	Connect to UNOG CTT website to view all previous recordings of this monthly webinar, focused on providing tips and guidance on a wide range of career-related topics.	https://learnin g.unog.ch/ career-tips- thursday





Thank you!



What do multinational companies pay attention to when recruiting?

June 5th 2025



Agenda

01 About me

02 Cargill at a glance

03 Cargill Switzerland

04 Our recruitment process

()5 Q&A



Global Strategic Talent Acquisition Advisor

"Always laugh when you can. It's cheap medicine"

Professional life

- Currently part of the EMEA TA Management team, Global Trading and Risk Management SME and Executive head hunter
- Joined Cargill in 2009 as Global TA Lead for the Energy Transportation and Metals Enterprise
- Prior to Cargill, worked in international search and prior to that within Investment Banking in London, including a 4 year stint as an options trader in the open outcry market at LIFFE.

Personal life

- My family is based in Mallorca, The Mediterranean and The Pacific
- I enjoy hiking and am falling back in love with cycling





Cargill

At a glance

We are...



160K+

Employees



70

Countries



125

Markets



159

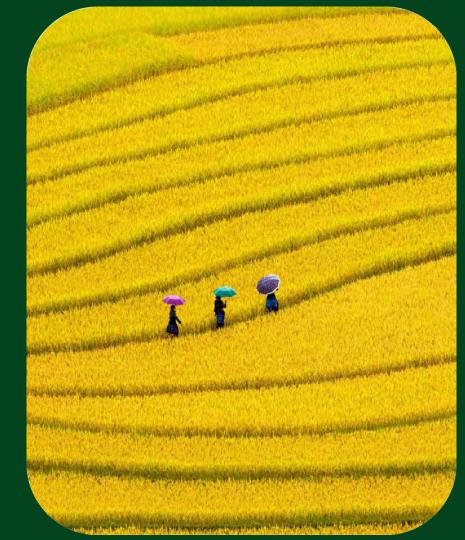
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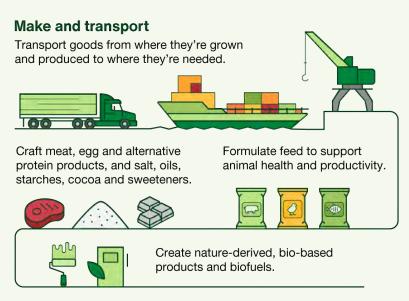
Our purpose: To nourish the world in a safe, responsible and sustainable way

Our purpose drives everything that we do.



How we source, make and deliver goods that are vital for living

Source and trade Partner with farmers and ranchers growing crops and raising animals. Originate, source, store and trade commodities. Provide global insights and risk management solutions.



Deliver for customers



Sell food products and ingredients, agricultural solutions and bio-based industrial products to manufacturers, farmers and ranchers, foodservice customers, retailers and consumers—to nourish the world in a safe, responsible and sustainable way.

Did you know? These are some of our customers





Cargill Switzerland

Overview

Switzerland is a critical location for Cargill

Global trading for grains and oilseeds is managed out of Geneva. It also serves as our global headquarters for freight trading and shipping operations.

We have activities in the following areas:

- · Grain and oilseed trading
- Ocean transportation and logistics
- Trade & Capital Markets
- Risk Management

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Recruitment process

Our process

Our recruitment process

- Hiring manager determines need Hiring manager and recruiter have an intake session, identifying skills, experience and level of seniority to be matched in order to be considered for the role.
- Recruiter posts the role The role is posted internally and externally on our corporate careers site
 https://careers.cargill.com/en and various external job platforms.
 The recruiter may also source directly, approaching passive candidates in the market that match the role's criteria.
- Screening The recruiter will review all cvs and identify those that
 most closely match the criteria. The recruiter will then conduct an
 initial screening interview and provide a shortlist of candidates to the
 Hiring Manager
- Interview and Selection Shortlisted candidates will go through an interview process with multiple stakeholders and possibly online assessment programmes.
- Offer— Once finalized, an offer is drafted and sent to the successful
 candidate.





Stages of the recruitment process

Screening

- Your cv is your passport to get through the first checkpoint. Make it relevant. Tailor your cv to each role you apply for.
- Use the same keywords and phrases that you see in the advertisement in your CV and cover letter.
- Ensure your experience matches what they're looking for be succinct in your detail, but make sure you provide enough information to pique their interest.
- Highlight the skills that you have gained in your career so far that match the needs of the role.
- Be clear on what you have achieved, show where you have exceeded targets or added measurable value



Stages of the recruitment process

Interviewing

- Be prepared make sure you fully understand the job description, read up on the company you're interviewing with.
- If you can, practice interviewing.
- Be concise and relevant with your answers, if an interviewer wants to know more, they'll ask.
- Most interviews are competency and skills based. Have some examples of particular skills and scenarios that you feel best match the job description.
- Be yourself. Chemistry and cultural fit are a large part of the interview process, so let the interviewers see you as you are.



Thank you!







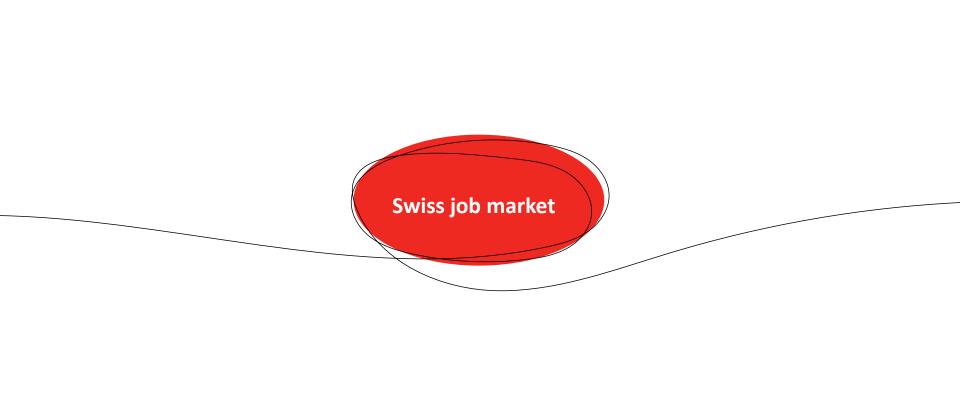
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Optimising Your Job Search & Applications: The Power of Strategy & Networking

Welcome to this comprehensive guide for international professionals seeking employment in Switzerland. We'll explore strategic job search approaches and networking essentials.

Presented by Elliott Bouet and Marine Moncozet from Michael Page at the CAGI Conference.







Understanding the Swiss Job Market

Competitive & Relationship-Driven

Success depends on building trust and professional connections within Swiss business culture.

Local Experience Priority

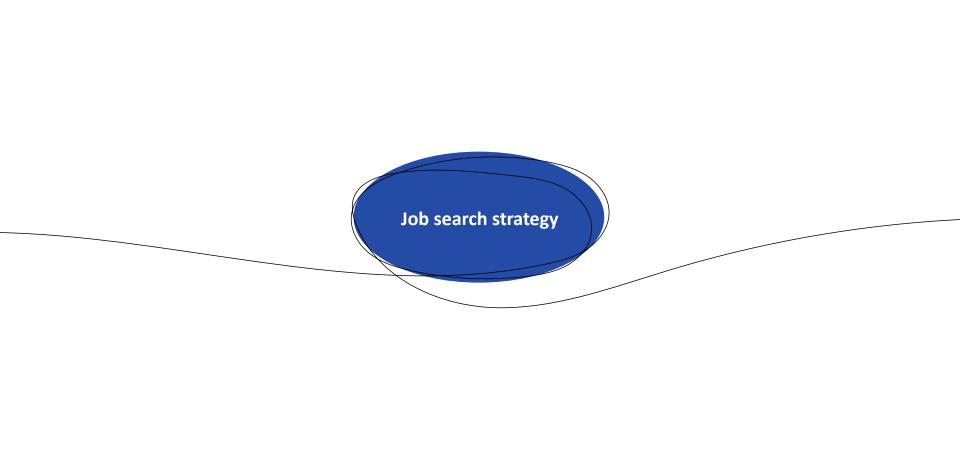
Employers value Swiss or Swiss-based work experience highly for cultural integration.

Language Requirements

French, German, and English skills vary by region. Geneva emphasizes French-English bilingualism.

Cultural Fit Essential

Demonstrating alignment with Swiss workplace values significantly impacts hiring decisions.





Strategy First – Job Search Foundations

Define Value Proposition

Combine your skills, target sector, and unique added value into a clear professional statement.

Know Your Target

Research industry trends, company sizes, and organizational cultures that match your goals.

Set SMART Goals

Aim for 10 tailored applications weekly plus 3 new professional contacts per week.

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SOME NECESSARY NEW SKILLS

TECHNICAL PROFICIENCY IS A MUST

Hardcore Accounting

(Cyber) Risks

Data-visualization

Basic Al

Process Automation

SOFT SKILLS ARE INCREASINGLY IMPORTANT

Adaptability

Critical thinking

Storytelling & Communication

LEADERSHIP SKILLS ARE ESSENTIAL

Lead by the front

Courage to dare

Empathy

What Makes Applications Stand Out



Local Relevance

Highlight Swiss market understanding and any local experience, even volunteer work or training.



Clear Communication

Use precise, professional language. Avoid complex jargon or vague statements that confuse recruiters.



Soft Skills Proof

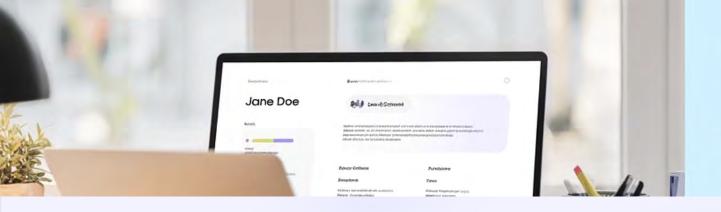
Demonstrate
leadership,
adaptability, and
communication
through specific
examples and
measurable results.



Geneva Connections

Mention involvement in local organizations, events, or professional associations within Geneva's ecosystem.





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Application Best Practices

Tailored Applications

Customize your CV and cover letter for every position. Generic applications rarely succeed in Switzerland.

Keyword Alignment

Match job description terminology exactly. Use their structure and relevance priorities as your guide.

Professional Format

Keep design clean and simple. Avoid photos unless specifically requested by the employer.

Essential Skills for Swiss Market Success

Technical Proficiency

Data visualization, AI basics, process automation, and cybersecurity awareness are increasingly essential.

Critical Thinking

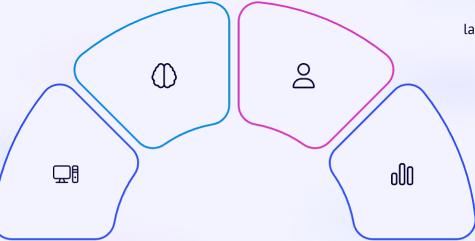
Analytical skills, adaptability, and storytelling communication separate top candidates from the rest.

Leadership Excellence

Lead from the front with courage, empathy, and the ability to inspire teams.

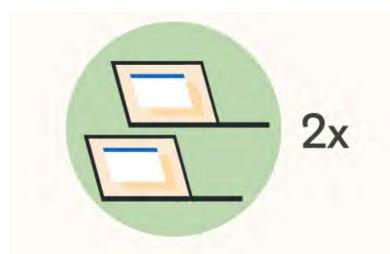
Market Awareness

Understanding Geneva's finance hub status and international organization landscape provides competitive advantage.

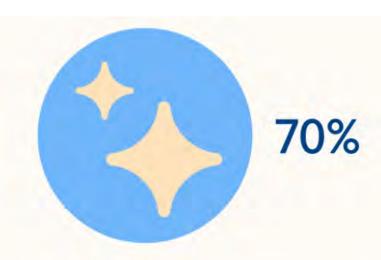




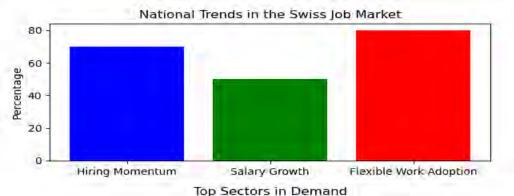
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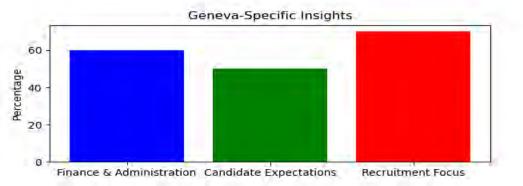
Professionals entering the workforce today are on pace to hold **twice as many jobs** over their careers compared to 15 years ago



By 2030, **70% of the skills used in most jobs will change**, with AI emerging as a catalyst.





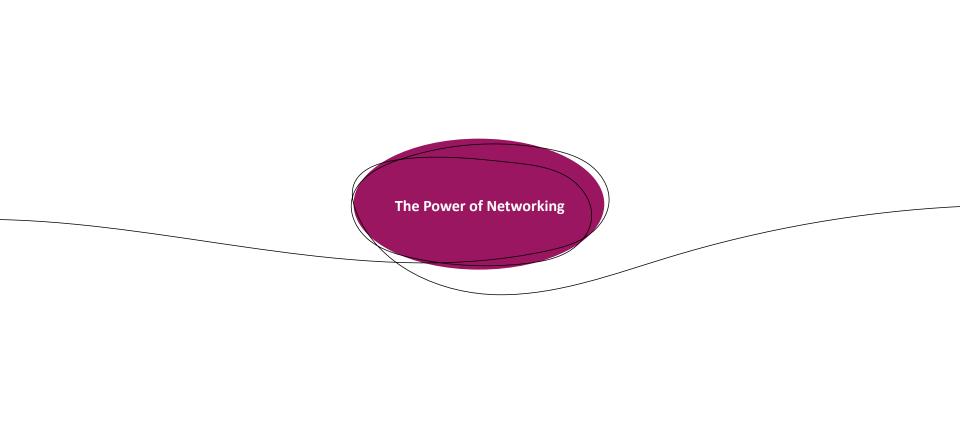


- 1. National Trends in the Swiss Job Market: - Hiring momentum - Salary growth - Flexible work adoption
 - 2. Top Sectors in Demand: - Finance - IT - Healthcare
 - 3. Geneva-Specific Insights:

 Focus areas: Finance & Administration

 Candidate Expectations

 Recruitment Focus



The Power of Networking in Switzerland

80% Hidden Job Market

Most positions are filled through connections before public posting. Networking unlocks these opportunities.

Swiss business culture emphasizes trust-based relationships and personal referrals over cold applications.

Where to Network

- CAGI and chamber events
- LinkedIn professional groups
- Alumni networks and meetups
- Volunteer opportunities
- Informational interviews

Your Path Forward: Key Takeaways

Strategic Foundation

Know your value proposition and target your search strategically. Quality applications outperform quantity every time.

Consistent Networking

Build relationships both online and in-person. Swiss culture values long-term professional connections over transactional interactions.

Partnership Approach

Leverage Michael Page's expertise while building your own professional pipeline. Integration takes time but consistency delivers results.

Ready to accelerate your Swiss career journey? Connect with us on LinkedIn for personalized guidance and exclusive opportunities.



Q&A session

- Ambassador Mr. Yannick Roulin, Director of <u>CAGI</u>
- Ms. Laurénie Sulliger, Attachée of the Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the UN
- Mr Misha Kurochkin, Partner President IDCN Lake Geneva
- Ms. Sarah Gamblin, Communication, fundraising and partner relations officer of <u>Association</u>
 <u>Découvrir</u>
- Ms. Alice Kovarikova and Ms. Rosa Ylimaula, Human Resources Management Service, <u>UNOG</u>
- Mr. Chris Clay, Global Strategic Talent Acquisition Advisor, <u>Cargill</u>
- Ms. Marine Moncozet and Mr. Elliott Bouet, Michael Page





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