

KFH INFORMATION DAY 2014

DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION

Capacity building for development

Geneva
 Friday 14th November 2014
 11:30 - 16:30
 Hepia - HES-SO

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The Development and Cooperation Office of the Swiss Universities of Applied Sciences and Arts, in collaboration with the FGC (Fédération Genevoise de Coopération within the FEDERESO) and with the SSI (Service de la Solidarité Internationale du Canton de Genève) have the pleasure to invite you to the

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Geneva, Friday November 14th, 11:30 – 16:30

Venue: Hepia-HES-SO, Genève, Rue de la Prairie 4, CH-1202 Geneva

Language: scientific communications in English and French

Registration: dc@supsi.ch (free), before Monday 10. November

CAPACITY BUILDING FOR DEVELOPMENT

Institutions and organizations working on development are focusing more and more on sustaining and promoting “Capacity Building” at individual, professional and organizational level in developing and transitional countries. Switzerland is well known for its professional education system. Therefore, Universities of Applied Sciences and Arts and Universities of Teacher Education as well experimented institutions in all domains of Professional Education, In-service Training, Applied Research and Technology Transfer, can and want to play a stronger role as reliable and competent partners for: International and local NGO, Bilateral Agencies, UN Organizations and Institutions in developing & transition countries. The event aims at helping us “Bridging the Gaps”, between UAS and the multiple actors, here and over there, working together for a more sustainable and fair world.

PROGRAM

Registration and standing lunch, “Getting together and informal interaction”

12.30 Welcoming speeches

Yves Leuzinger, Directeur de la haute école du paysage, d’ingénierie et d’architecture de Genève (hepia)
Vincent Moser, Chef de l’unité d’appui Ra&D de la HES-SO
Maria Jesus Alonso Lormand, Directrice du Service de la Solidarité Internationale du Canton de Genève
Kuno Schläfli, Head Knowledge and Learning Processes Division, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC)

13:00 Workshops on “Capacity Building” with final wrap-up (Claudio Valsangiacomo)

1. Climate change and environmental depletion: global and local challenges

Animation: **Yves Hausser**, Filière Gestion de la Nature (hepia)
 • **Matthias Ruetschi**, Centre Ecologique Albert Schweitzer (CEAS), *Des mini-barrages hydrauliques: de l’électricité pour les paysans pauvres.*
 • **Andreas Schriber**, CEO and Co-Founder of Biovision Foundation, *Preparing the small farmers for the challenges ahead. Field projects in Africa.*

2. Communication & dissemination: the place of ICT

Animation: **Andres Perez Uribe**, Haute Ecole d’Ingénierie et de Gestion du Canton de Vaud (HEIGVD)
 • **Viola Krebs**, Director ICVolunteers, (UniGe - Uni Strasbourg), *Cybervolunteering a new paradigm.*
 • **Urs Gröbriel** Institute for Information Systems, University of Applied Sciences and Arts Northwestern Switzerland (FHNW), *Mobile Phones: Potent facilitators for competence development and identity building.*

3. Migrations & Migrants: opportunities & challenges

Animation: **Anne Lavanchy**, Haute école de travail social de Genève HETS
 • **Oliver Collis**, sociologue, assistant social au CHUV, *Migrant friendly hospitals: Promoting kindness, understanding, tolerance and humour as added values to social medicine.*
 • **Emilie Anderson**, Secrétaire générale de l’association Casa Alianza Suisse, *Migrants: entre trafic et traite, au Honduras.*

15:00 Short break

15:30 Key note speech

Capacity Building: The Solution for Sustainable Development?

Hans Rudolf Herren, Ingénieur agronome EPFZ, fondateur de Biovision, a reçu en 2013 le Right Livelihood Award, considéré comme le “**Prix Nobel Alternatif**”.

Entomologiste engagé, son programme de lutte biologique dans la production du Manioc, a permis ni plus ni moins d’éviter une famine en Afrique.

16.30 Conclusion

HOW TO ARRIVE TO HEPIA

From the Train station

Exit the station on the side of the Montbrillant place and join the Lyon street. The main entrance of hepia is located on Prairie street. Walking time about 5 minutes.

By car (parking facility available)

- From Lausanne: on arrival at Geneva, follow direction France. Exit Geneva Centre - Vernier and go to Geneva Centre - Balexert. Then follow the directions on the map. Journey time: 20 minutes from the motorway exit.
- From France: on arrival at Geneva, to about 10 km from the border, take the exit Genève Centre - Vernier and go to Geneva Centre. Then follow the directions on the map. Journey time: 20 minutes from the motorway exit.

