



Engaging Intergovernmental Organizations

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The Engaging Intergovernmental Organizations (EIO) program is a week-long professional development program where select participants visit and learn from intergovernmental (IGOs) partners at the World Health Organization (WHO), the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE), the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the World Trade Organization (WTO).

Designed for mid and senior level government officials, private sector leaders, and academic faculty, participants will visit organizations in Paris, Geneva and Rome to expand professional networks while learning about how to effectively engage with intergovernmental organizations. The program will focus on emerging challenges such as international trade, antimicrobial resistance, food safety & security, among others.

Leveraging IGO expertise and university innovation to build new partnerships that meet national government needs on important topics

Objectives

- Program participants will be aware of high priority issues and programs for IGOs, and will be aware of how the IGOs interact with each other and with external partners to advance global goals.
- Program participants will understand how their work can support international capacity building efforts for the IGOs
- Program participants will work collaboratively to develop at least one new collaborative proposal/concept note to support IGO needs for capacity building and/or research.

Outcome

Long-term strategic relationships established and supported to advance Tripartite initiatives and WTO capacity building goals.

Participants

10-15 participants will be selected as a program working group. Participants will be recruited from academia, government, industry and non-profit organizations. Four positions will be reserved for someone from each IGO (OIE, WHO, WTO and FAO).

Registration and Fees

Registration is \$3,500 USD and includes:

- program instruction
- train from Paris to Geneva
- flight from Geneva to Rome
- refreshments during meetings
- 3 dinners

Participants are responsible for:

- transportation to and from their home country
- local transportation
- lodging
- breakfasts and lunches
- dinner on Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday

Tentative Agenda for 17-22 March, 2019

Sunday March 17: Paris

Welcome Reception
(evening)

Monday March 18: Paris

OIE Headquarters

Tuesday March 19: Geneva

WHO Headquarters

Wednesday March 20: Geneva

WHO Headquarters

Thursday March 21: Geneva

WTO Headquarters

Friday March 22: Rome

FAO Headquarters

For more information on this program or to request registration, please visit z.umn.edu/EngagingIGOs