



SOCIAL & CULTURAL EVENTS

Venues and Times

OCTOBER 2017



**30th PSI World Congress
30 October to 3 November 2017
Geneva, Switzerland**

Get to know Geneva! Get to know each other!

PSI special side events during Congress

During its 30th World Congress, PSI organizes social and cultural events, so that participants can get to know Geneva, our host city, and each other better.

The World Congress is a unique opportunity to build personal connections that will support our joint work in the coming five years!

Please note that you will soon receive an invitation to the App, which will allow you to register for the relevant events below.

SUNDAY 29 OCTOBER

PSI-EI LGBTI Public Talk and Social Event // 18:00 – 22:00 // *Registration required* //

For participants in the PSI-EI LGBTI Forum on Monday 30th October

TUESDAY 31 OCTOBER

Welcome reception hosted by PSI // Bâtiment des Forces Motrices (BFM) // 19:00 – 23:00 // Open to all // World cuisine and music programme //

We look forward to hosting all PSI Congress participants at the BFM, an impressive post-industrial site and concert venue set in the middle of the Rhone and the heart of Geneva.

Musical entertainment will be provided by world-renowned Emir Kusturica and The No Smoking Orchestra. Dissociated from any show business church or dogma, this band is a symbol of the anti-globalist movement and a unique paradox of the environment they have sprung from. They perform unza unza, in fact a frantic Balkan version of rumba, bringing together rock and gypsy sounds... without any specific insistence on a single homeland.

<http://www.bfm.ch/en/>

<http://new.thenosmokingorchestra.com/>

WEDNESDAY 1 NOVEMBER

PSI CONGRESS DEMONSTRATION // PLACE DES NATIONS // Lunch Break //

Make sure to bring banners of your union for this massive rally in support of the workers of the United Nations and the trade union rights of all public service workers.

Young Workers' Social Event // 20:00 – 23:00 //
Registration required //

For participants in the Young Workers' Seminar

ONE DAY. Special Screening // CICG // 18:30 – 20:30 //
// Open to all //

In the lead-up to congress, PSI Communications has visited members and affiliates around the world to create a series of short films that examine the challenges, victories and everyday lives of public service workers.

We will have a close look at the lives of unionists fighting against privatisation, facing torture at the hands of dictators, responding to dramatic disasters and making their communities stronger through their work. These films will be premiered at PSI Congress.

Visit to the Red Cross Museum // Red Cross Museum //
18:00 – 20:30 // Registration required //

The permanent exhibition of the Red Cross Museum, “The Humanitarian Adventure”, presents three contemporary problems that are of particular concern to PSI and its members and in a wider perspective will affect our common future for decades to come: Defending human dignity, Restoring family links and Reducing natural risks. Guides will provide tours in several languages.

<http://www.redcrossmuseum.ch>

THURSDAY 2 NOVEMBER

**Movie Night // CICG // 18:30 – 20:30 // I, Daniel Blake
// Open to all //**

I, Daniel Blake is a 2016 drama film directed by Ken Loach. It stars Dave Johns as Daniel Blake, who is denied employment and support allowance despite his doctor finding him unfit to work. It is a scathing criticism of austerity policies and their impact on public services and the public at large. The film won the Palme d'Or at the 2016 Cannes Film Festival, the Prix du public at the 2016 Locarno International Film Festival and the 2017 BAFTA for Outstanding British Film.

Trailer: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ahWgxw9E_h4

**Visit to CERN // Bus from CICG at 18:00, end at 20:30
// Registration required //**

At CERN, the European Organization for Nuclear Research, physicists and engineers are probing the fundamental structure of the universe.

They use the world's largest and most complex scientific instruments to study the basic constituents of matter – the fundamental particles. The particles are made to collide together at close to the speed of light.

The process gives the physicists clues about how the particles interact, and provides insights into the fundamental laws of nature. Founded in 1954, the CERN laboratory sits astride the Franco-Swiss border just next to Geneva.

<https://home.cern/>

More information about artists performing at the opening, closing and throughout the World Congress will be published on PSI's Congress Website shortly.