

Discussion ahead of Swiss Vote IS TIME UP FOR NUCLEAR ENERGY IN SWITZERLAND AND AROUND THE WORLD?

📅 Tuesday 22 November 2016 ⌚ 12:45-14:00

📍 International Environment House II (7-9 ch. de Balexert - Geneva)



In light of the upcoming Swiss vote on the planned exit of nuclear energy **Initiative «Sortir du nucléaire»** on 27 November 2016, a discussion will be held within the framework of the Geneva Environment Network, in collaboration with the International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD) and with the participation of the UN Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE). This event will take place on Tuesday 22 November 2016, from 12:45 to 14:00, at the International Environment II.

The focus will be on the popular initiative which seeks to forbid the construction of new nuclear power plants as well as to limit the duration of exploitation of power plants already in service. It also wants to limit the energy consumption as a whole, to improve the country's energy efficiency and to promote renewable energies.

The event will address the following topics:

- ∴ *Potential risk of old power plants*
- ∴ *Alternatives to nuclear energy*
- ∴ *The Incentives for switching to renewables*
- ∴ *Consequences on CO₂ emissions*
- ∴ *The cost of dismantling power plants and the question of nuclear waste*

The event will be chaired by Nathalie BERNASCONI-OSTERWALDER, head of the Economic Law & Policy programme of IISD. Short interventions will be made by Peter WOODERS, IISD's Group Director on Energy, Scott FOSTER, Director of UNECE Sustainable Energy Division, and Richard BRIDLE, Project Researcher at the IISD Global Subsidies Initiative and to be followed by an open discussion.

Light lunch available from 12:30

Online Registration: <http://www.genevaenvironmentnetwork.org/?q=en/registration-nuclear-discussion>

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