



Indian Association, Geneva

Dear Member,

The Executive Committee of the Indian Association Geneva (IAG) is pleased to present to you its annual report for the year 2022.

It is of great honour and proud moment of all of us living in and around Geneva and in Switzerland, our long-time member **Dr. Archana Sharma**, Principal Scientist at CERN for receiving the Pravasi Bharatiya Samman Award (PBSA) on 10 January 2023 by the Hon'ble President of India Droupadi Murmu at the Pravasi Bharatiya Day Convention in Indore for her contribution in Science and Technology. On the behalf of the IAG Executive Committee and Indian diaspora, heartiest congratulations to Dr. Archana Sharma.

Membership

The IAG Executive Committee would like to THANK all the members of the Indian Association Geneva for their continuous engagement, support, and trust. In 2022, the annual membership marginally increased by 14% compared to 2021 reaching to 265 memberships.

Events

The engagement and participation of IAG members and friends of India living in and around Geneva are well appreciated all through the year 2022. IAG Executive Committee held 20 events during the year 2022, promoting our Indian heritage and culture values.

The highlight of this year was four-folded, firstly Indian Association Geneva supported the “**Reve Indien**” one day event bringing together dance & music, food, yoga, Ayurveda, Indian boutiques, expositions, and parades. Thank you, “**Heart for Indian Foundation**”, it was a dream came alive with the entire theme based on India -its diversity, traditions, culture, and customs. More than 50+ volunteers and local artists from IAG contributed to the success of the “Reve Indien”. Secondly, “**Literature and Music Rendezvous**” event with 3 Masters (Dr. Archana Sharma, Dr. Arun Pabari and Ustad Ikhlaiq Hussain) was new attempt to celebrate achievements of our India diaspora living in and around Geneva. Thirdly, the fifth edition of **Namaste Geneva – Celebration of Diwali, Eid, Gurpurab and Christmas** event was well attended and applauded. IAG Executive Committee is grateful to our members and friends of India for their active participation. Lastly, Indian Association is extremely proud to be **associated with the Permanent Mission of India and Consular office of India** in Geneva to bring enriched series of events for IAG members, Indian diaspora, and friends of India on Culture, Science, literature, Technology and Wellbeing to celebrate “**Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav**” to commemorate 75 years of progressive India and the glorious history of its people, culture, and achievements.

Following is the list of events the IAG Executive Committee held during 2022:

No.	Event Details	Date
1	India@75: Panel Discussion on Role and Contribution of Indian Diaspora in Promotion of Trade and Investments in India and celebration of Pravasi Bhartiya Diwas and Vishwa Hindi Diwas**	10/01/2022
2	Flag Hoisting ceremony on Republic Day 26th January 2022	26/01/2022
3	IAG Annual General Meeting (AGM) Saturday 05 February 2022	05/02/2022
4	Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav: International Women's Day celebrations**	08/03/2022
5	Holi, Ugadi, Baisakhi and Ester Celebrations	02/04/2022
6	India@75 - Discourse with Sadhguru**	05/04/2022
7	India@75 - Discourse with Sri Sri Ravi Shankar ji on Unity and Collaboration in the post-Pandemic World**	19/04/2022
8	Aalap event - Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav	30/04/2022
9	India@75 - Literature and Music Rendezvous	15/05/2022
10	Reve Indien**	22/05/2022
11	India@75 - International Day of Yoga**	21/06/2022
12	India@75 - Sanskriti Yoga Festival**	08/07/2022
13	Flag hoisting on 15th August 2022 at 9.00 am at India House, India@75	15/08/2022
14	Rabindranath Tagore's "Mayar Khela"	23/08/2022
15	India@75: India in the Alps**	21/09/2022
16	Celebration of Gandhi Jayanti	02/10/2022
17	India@75 - Panel Discussion on Gandhian Thoughts and their Contemporary Relevance**	03/10/2022
18	India@75: Navratri Celebrations 2022	08/10/2022
19	India@75 - Panel Discussion on Wellness and Wellbeing with Ayurveda, the Indian System of Traditional Medicine**	28/10/2022
20	Namaste Geneva 2022 - Celebration of Diwali, Eid, Gurburab and Christmas	19/11/2022

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Contribution from Permanent Mission of India, Consulate General in Geneva, Embassy of India in Bern and Sponsors

Permanent Mission of India, Consulate General in Geneva and Indian Embassy in Bern continue to strengthen its role with Indian Association Geneva, Indian diaspora, and friends of India in and around Geneva area.

IAG Executive Committee is fully engaged with H.E. Shri. Indra Mani Pandey, Ambassador Permanent Mission of India to the United Nations and other International Organisation and Consul-General Shri. A. Sunil Achaya. We are working together to reach out Indian diaspora in and around Geneva more than ever in the past. Further, we are delighted to share that we have received a contribution from Consul-General Shri. A. Sunil Achaya of CHF 5000 to promote a culture of India and to bring Indian diaspora together.

IAG committee extends its sincere gratitude for an excellent relationship, involvement, and support on continuous basis, we look forward to working together with the Permanent Mission of India, Consulate General office in Geneva and the Indian Embassy in Bern.

Boundary Holding, Bollywood Movies, Jena Logistics Consulting, Hinduja Foundation, Les Jardin de Malyar and Madhura were IAG Sponsors for the year 2022, warm thanks and appreciation for your generous contribution. We hope to count on your continuous support in the future as you have done for us in the past.

Member Mobile App

This is to remind again our members that IAG has put in place since 2017 digital member management infrastructure with an aim to provide a seamless experience where an application can take care of reservations and payments for an event in advance with a single click. Later in 2018, we have launched a **new Member App**.

The new app can be downloaded from the Apple store "**Wild Apricot**" for members. The new app allows

- **check, modify and maintain** their **profiles** up to date, no more manual errors
- **consult Membership directory** at their fingertips
- **send Email** or **Call** to other members
- **book events** and **pay online**, straight through process helps minimize food wastage and eliminate queues at the venue

We thank all our members for their continuous support and undergoing digital transformation.

Financial Report

A synopsis of the Financial Report is provided below. We had an excess of income over expenditure. For further information please refer to the audited statement.

Income	Expenditure	Excess of Income
CHF 42,183	CHF 39,903	CHF 2,279

THANK YOU

On the behalf of my colleagues in the Executive Committee, I would like to thank all volunteers, members and their families, friends of India living in Geneva and around for their continuous support to promote our culture and heritage. My colleagues in the Executive Committee deserve special thanks for their hard work, commitment, and dedication to corporate and work together.

The Executive Committee has reached the end of its two-year mandate. However, considering the continuous support and appreciation received, we would like to propose continuation of this Committee for another 2 years, with some change in the office bearers.

Yours sincerely,



Dr. Maneesh Wadhwa

President
Indian Association Geneva