Invitation

On behalf of the International Galloway Society The Swiss Galloway Society and Bern Welcome

The 2023 World Galloway Conference organizing Committee

Invites you to attend the

World Galloway Conference, taking place in Bern, Switzerland from

September 16th to September 21st 2023

Dear Galloway breeders from all over the world

As agreed upon in Scotland 2016, the World Galloway Conference will take place in Bern Switzerland from Saturday September 16th to Thursday, September 21st 2023.

The venue is the Hotel National in down town historic Bern, a few steps from the central railway station.

Bern Welcome is our Partner for hotel reservations, online registrations, payments, questions and answers.

We shall start online registration by Bern Welcome (Hotels, Conference registration, post Conference excursions) soon.

- Switzerland is a beautiful but rather small and expensive country, therefore:
- We have a hosting capacity of 300 visitors. So first come, first served!
- The organizing committee is trying hard to keep the expenses as low as possible.
- The Conference fees will be 650 CHF per Person.
- Conference Languages: English and German
- Registration deadline is February 28th 2023

Travel expenses to Switzerland and Bern have to be organized and paid by the participants themselves.

From your very first overnight stay at a tourist accommodation in the city of Bern, you will receive a Bern Ticket for your entire stay, which lets you travel for free on public transport in zones 100/101 operated by the LIBERO Association.

Welcome desk Sept. 16, 2022 from 3.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. at Hotel National (Hirschengraben 24, 3011 Bern), by Bern Welcome and the organizing committee.

The individually selected hotels are mostly nearby Hotel National and the departing buses to the daily excursions.

Welcome drinks and program orientation, as well as the final evening will take place on Sept. 21, 2022. in Hotel National in Bern. The costs are included in the registration fee.

Preliminary Program:

Saturday Sept. 16th2023:

Conference Check in: Welcome desk Bern Welcome at Hotel National Bern 3.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Welcome drinks and exact Program Orientation, introduction of our conference staff.

Sunday Sept. 17th 2023:

Excursion by bus, visiting Hof Baregg, a Dun Galloway farm, and Hofgut Farnsburg, demonstrating new concepts of ecological farming - both close to Basel.

Monday Sept. 18th 2023:

Galloways in the alpine environment: Excursion by train and bus to Valais (Goms) to see a black Galloway Farm. On the way you will visit an alpine hydroelectric power plant at Grimsel Pass and experience one of the world`s longest railway tunnels.

Tuesday Sept. 19th 2023:

Excursion by bus to visit two belted Galloway farms in eastern Switzerland. On the way, you will see the exciting and famous Rhine Falls at Schaffhausen.

Wednesday Sept. 20th 2023:

Excursion by bus to wonderful Gruyère in western Switzerland. You visit the historic town and castle of Gruyere, the Cailler Chocolate factory and the production site of the fantastic Gruyère cheese.

Thursday Sept 21st 2023

City Sightseeing in Bern organized by Bern welcome, Quiz of Switzerland, World Galloway assembly at Hotel National, Farewell Dinner at Hotel National.

Friday Sept. 22nd 2023

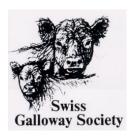
End of Conference and start of the post conference activities. We will work on, and publish a list of options, where the participants can register individually (visit Galloway farms in small groups, wine tasting, excursions to places like Lucerne and the Jungfrau and many others).

All the way with Galloway!

Yours

Berchtold von Fischer

President organizing committee WGC Bern, Switzerland





Registration and Hotel booking:

To make the registration and book the hotel room please go to this <u>link</u>. This link is available until 28.02.2023. We ask you to make the registration and book a hotel room until then.

Registration deadline for the conference is February 28th 2023

Please register yourself on this booking

Link.

The credit card will be charged for the registration fee. If you wish to receive an invoice, please inform us by mail, meetings@bern.com, before booking.

The hotel rooms are available from September 16th – 22nd, 2023.

Fees for accommodation has to be paid in in the hotel before departure. Your credit card details are only forwarded to the hotel to guarantee your booking.

Please contact Bern Convention Bureau if you want to extend or change your stay:

meetings@bern.com, +41 31 328 12 60.

