Switzerland and Schengen

• Schengen regime started on Dec 12th
  – Suppression of controls for internal Schengen flights will happen on March 29th 2009

• Visa requirements still not clear to Consulates: in principle need visa C + D to live in Switzerland

• The Swiss Mission is being pragmatic and will issue a CL if a user has been misinformed by a Consulate (a supporting letter is required)

• Situation should be clearer after meeting in June
Switzerland and Schengen (2)

• Swiss referendum in February agreed to continued freedom of movement of EU citizens and extension to Bulgaria and Rumania
Electronic exchange of documents with DFAE

• The **DocLeg** system has been used successfully for new staff members
• HR submitted on March 5\(^{th}\) the first requests for 9 people handled by them (PDSA, PJAS etc.) for the new **Carte de Legitimation of type P**
• Users’ Office staff will be trained on April 1\(^{st}\)
• First USER requests will be made from April 6\(^{th}\)
• An “Attestations de Fonctions” will be replaced by a “Carte de legitimation” at CERN contract renewal time
Cartes de legitimation type P

• Credit card format (see next but one slide)
• Family members were issued with AFs without photo
  – Will now have individual cards with photos
  – Spouses and children will need to have photos taken at building 55, if they have not done so already for a CERN family access card
• Will require passport copy for request
• Will require User to come to the Users’ Office

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Cartes de legitimation type P (2)

- DocLeg only used for initial demands for CL
- Subsequent renewals will need to be done by paper request
- Validity is maximum 2 years, as for AF
Carte réservée au personnel scientifique du CERN et famille

Carte de légitimation de type "P" (à bande bleue avec une barre blanche)
Pre-Registration Tool (PRT)

• Further delayed, date of introduction is unclear
Insurance questions

• Insurance questions modified on registration forms

Who covers you whilst at CERN for:

- Medical expenses due to illness and private accidents?
- Medical expenses due to professional accidents?
- Economic consequences of disability arising from an accident (1)?
- Economic consequences of disability due to illness (1,2)?

(1) Not covered by CHIS (UNIQA)
(2) Not covered by ACCIDENTA
Proof of employment

• Proof of employment attestations should be signed by the University/Institute administration

• Letters signed by Team Leaders are only valid if an authorisation has been signed by the University/Institute administration
Miscellaneous

• US residents can no longer open UBS accounts at the CERN branch, they must go to the Rue du Rhone branch

• An alternative is to open a Post Office account in the CERN office, see http://www.postfinance.ch
Users’ Office Web site

- Changes are still being made following the CERN re-organisation
- A surprising number of new users are not aware of the huge amount of info on the UO site

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