

ASSOCIATION DES ANCIENS FONCTIONNAIRES INTERNATIONAUX - Genève  
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## 2010 proclaimed International Year of Biodiversity

See also the cover of the January 2010 edition of the AAFI-AFICS Bulletin

"You are an integral part of nature; your fate is tightly linked with biodiversity, the huge variety of other animals and plants, the places they live and their surrounding environments, all over the world. You rely on this diversity of life to provide you with the food, fuel, medicine and other essentials you simply cannot live without. Yet this rich diversity is being lost at a greatly accelerated rate because of human activities. This impoverishes us all and weakens the ability of the living systems, on which we depend, to resist growing threats such as climate change."

You will find an article on the International Year in the April edition of the Bulletin

### Carrefour International

What began as Coffee mornings in September last will take a new form as from **Wednesday 3 February 2010** as afternoon teas. Meeting **monthly** on Wednesday afternoons - from 14.00 to 16.00, former international civil servants and their friends are cordially invited to these informal get-togethers at the Cité-seniors ( 62 rue de Lausanne)

Please note the change in time and that the meetings will now be monthly.

(see also an article on this new activity in the January edition of the Bulletin)

Cité-Seniors <http://www.seniors-geneve.ch>

The new Cité-seniors programme (for February to August 2010) has just been published.

Among other activities, we suggest:

Wednesday 3 February : **Quel avenir pour nos seniors** from 17.30 to 19.30 to follow on after our first "Carrefour International"

**Bricoler chez soi** : every Tuesday from 16 February to 3 June ( fee SF 75.--)

**La vue ça s'entretient** : every Thursday from 10.30 to 11.30 ( fee SF 75.--) and 3 sessions on Informatics for Beginners ( telephone 022 418 53 55 for details )



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Thanks to the excellent relations established with the CLIC of the Pays de Gex, we are pleased to announce that a day of public debate will be held on Monday 8 February **in Bourg en Bresse** on **stressful situations for older people**. Organised by the **Cellule de prévention des situations de détresse de la personne âgée**