

The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies

A client with multi-faceted projects

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THE INSTITUTE



The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies is a post-graduate institution located in Geneva and considered one of the most prestigious in the world.

Its campus is located in the Nations district with several buildings, including the Maison de la Paix, which notably houses a library of over 300,000 works.

THE FIRST MISSION (2014)

Our collaboration with the IHEID began when it moved into the Maison de la Paix. The mission involved grouping 5 sites into 1, and included the transfer of the library (10 km of books). The deadlines were very tight due to the start of the academic year: all administrative and teaching staff had to be installed on time, as well as the library. As the building work had not yet been completed, we had to adapt our daily moving schedule and reorganize our team to spread the operations over 6 days a week instead of 5.

The entire project took about 1 month, followed by an inventory mission of all of the Institute's furniture and assets, in partnership with internal maintenance department teams.

THE SECOND MISSION (2020)

In 2020 we were selected for a major new project: the installation of 700 student accommodations as part of the construction of a new residence designed by architect Kengo Kuma.

For this project, we provided a turnkey service that went well beyond the scope of the move: provision of a temporary storage warehouse, reception of all furniture, constitution of bundles per accommodation, on-site installation and final inventory with an asset management software. All within tight deadlines and in coordination with the other trades involved on the site, in order to meet the expected delivery date.

KEY FACTS

- In 2014, more than 500 employees moved, with their personal effects and their IT equipment (disconnections and reconnections), as well as 10 km of books, including old and fragile copies requiring specific protection.
- In 2020, a 4 month project, 1'800 m² of storage space and 10'000 items inventoried.
- Close collaboration established since 2014, leading to a long-term business relationship.

HARSCH'S APPROACH

- Global approach and the formulation of specific and cost-effective solutions.
- Provision of additional services such as the temporary storage of furniture and old books, thanks to our know-how and secured warehouses.
- Implementation of the barcode asset management solution, in collaboration with the software supplier and the internal team then responsible for managing this task; as well as carrying out the initial inventory.
- Logistic coordination of the different steps of the move into the new student accommodations, with furniture and equipment suppliers, IHEID staff, and the team in charge of installing these items in their final location.
- Re-sell / re-use service options, with 180 m³ of furniture collected by local customers.
- Combined expertise and resources of our Moving, Fine Art and Records Management departments.

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