

SPRING CONFERENCE ANTWERP 23 - 24 APRIL 2010

GENERAL INFORMATION

Conference dates 23 and 24 April 2010

Conference locations

Friday 23 April

Reception

Diamantmuseum

Koning Astridplein 19-23
2018 Antwerpen
http://www.provant.be/vrije_tijd/cultuur/musea/diamantmuseum/

Saturday 24 April

Conference venue

**Bernarduscentrum
(Europa Direct)**

Lombardenvest 23
2000 Antwerp
Tel: + 32 (0) 03 202 42 92
Fax: + 32 (0) 03 202 42 99
www.provant.be/ed
E-mail: ed@admin.provant.be

Reception

Town Hall
Grote Markt
2000 Antwerp

Dinner

Zoo
Koningin Astridplein 26
2013 Antwerp
Tel: +32 (0)3 202 45 40
<http://www.zooantwerpen.be/>

How to register

Please complete the registration form on our website www.ecba.org

Fees

ECBA full member	350 Euros
ECBA Members under 5 year qualified	300 Euros
Non members	450 Euros
Residents of Bulgaria Estonia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, and Slovenia	150 Euros

Full payment must be received in order to process your registration. All payments should be made net of any bank charges.

Registration fee includes

- Reception on Friday 23 April 2010;
- Attendance at the ECBA conference including conference materials;
- Lunch on 24 April 2010;
- Reception at the Town Hall following the conference and a 20 minutes trip with a tourist tram;
- Tea and coffee during the breaks at the conference.

Recommended restaurants for Friday evening

As requested at past conferences a list of restaurants recommended to us has been included below. Please make your own arrangements.

Dinner on Saturday

Dinner has been arranged for Saturday 24 April at the Zoo at 8.30 pm. The cost of the dinner is 65 Euros. Dinner will be enlightened by classical music performed by Trio Acacia.

Going to Antwerp

You could fly directly to Antwerp Deurne (<http://www.antwerp-airport.be/>) and take a taxi or bus to the centre (20 minutes).

Another option is to fly to Brussels Airport (or by train to one of Brussels main stations) and catch a train to Antwerp. To go from Zaventem airport to Antwerp consider the following options:

- By train: take the train to Brussels North station and change there to get a train to Antwerp.
- By bus: buy a ticket for the airport express, it will bring you to Antwerp Central train station, take a taxi to your hotel or walk
- By taxi: a taxi from Zaventem to Antwerp, it will cost you approximately 160 EUR.



For information regarding transport to and from Brussels Airport click [here](#)

Train time tables and fares are available at <http://www.b-rail.be/main/E/>

Hotel accommodation

Delegates should make their own arrangements for hotel accommodation. A list of hotels is available below. The hotels listed have been recommended although the ECBA cannot take responsibility for the standard of service or accommodation at the hotel.

The ECBA has a number of rooms available for participants at the **Radisson Blu Astrid** hotel, Antwerp. Please mention 'ECBA' at the time of booking. For more detailed information please consult the list of hotels below. **Early booking is essential**

Public Transport

Please [click](#) here for more detailed information regarding public transport in Antwerp

Friday reception

Please click [here](#) for general directions.

Central Tourist Point

You will find tourist information on <http://www.antwerpen.be>.

For more information on Belgium go to [Visit Belgium](#)

Time zone

CET (GMT + 1 hour)

Currency

Euros

Travel arrangements & Visas

Participants are responsible for making their own travel arrangements. It is recommended that you check your visa requirements with your local embassy or consulate.

Insurance:

The organisation does not accept any liability for personal injuries or for loss of and/or damage to the personal belongings of the participants. Please check the validity of your insurance.

Additional information

Electricity

Electrical supply is 220 Volt; 50Hz. Belgium uses the standard round European two-pin plug. At the reception of most hotels you can borrow most common electricity adapters.

Tipping

Bills are all inclusive. Tipping is not necessary as most places include a service charge. For taxis, the tip is included in the fare. The tip for toilet attendants, hotel doormen, theatre ushers is about €0.30-0.50.

Emergency

In case of emergency use the following numbers:

Emergency requiring police intervention: 100 (24h/24h)

Emergency requiring medical intervention: 101 (24h/24h)

European single emergency number: 112 (24h/24h)

Contacting the Antwerp's local police for non-urgent matters:
0800/90.333 (24h/24h)

Useful addresses

Pharmacies: identified by a green neon cross sign on the outside of the store, ask your hotel for the nearest pharmacy

Doctors: Your hotel can provide you with a list of doctors as well as the name of the on-call doctor.

Languages

Belgium has three official languages: Dutch, French and German. In Antwerp expect locals to speak Dutch

Dialling codes

Belgium's country code is 32

Regular office hours

Offices are open between 9.00am to 6.00pm, Monday-Friday.

Banks are open between 9.30am to 5.30pm (one hour lunch break), Monday-Friday. Some close all day Monday. Some open Saturdays. All banks are closed Sundays and public holidays.

Shops are open between 10.00am to 7.00pm, Monday-Saturday.

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Please note that those rooms will be available for the ECBA until 15 February 2010. Credit card details are required in order to guarantee your reservation. After this date rooms can only be reserved upon availability in the hotel.

Radisson Blu Astrid hotel, Antwerp (15 minutes walk to the Bernardus Centre)

Koning Astridplein 7
2018 Antwerp
Phone: +32 (0) 3 203 12 46
Email : caroline.drossaert@radissonblu.com
www.astrid.antwerp.radissonblu.com

The rates are 129 Euros per room and night, including free use of WiFi, free coffee and tea facilities in the room, free use of the Health Club with swimming pool, sauna, fitness and Jacuzzi.

Full American breakfast buffet breakfast buffet is available at 22 Euros per person per day.

The hotel is at walking distance from:
Antwerp Diamond Museum - next door.
Antwerp's Diamond District - 5 min.
Antwerp Zoo - 1 min.
Rubens & Van Dijck Museum - 10 min.
Grote Markt - 15 min.
Antwerp Harbour Cruises - 20 min.
Fashion Museum - 15 min.
Aquatopia - 0 min

Other hotels being recommended are:

Hotel 't Sandt

Zand 13-19
2000 Antwerpen
Tel: + 32(0)3.232.93.90
Fax: + 32(0)3.232.56.13
Email: info@hotel-sandt.be
<http://www.hotel-sandt.be/ENG/home.htm>

The rates are from 150 Euros per night per person for a single and 170 Euros for a double. All the prices are including breakfast. Distances: 15 minutes walk to the conference centre.

Antwerp Hilton Hotel (very near to the Bernardus Centre)

Groenplaats 32
2000 Antwerpen
Tel: +32 (3) 204-1212
Fax: + 32 (3) 204-8688

Different rates depending on room and booking sites.

Hotel Prinse

Keizerstraat 63
2000 ANTWERP
Tel: +32 (0) 3 226.40.50
Fax: +32 (0) 3 225.11.48
Email: hotel_prinse@skynet.be
<http://www.hotelprinse.be/>

The rates are from 110 Euros per night per person for a single and 130 Euros for a double.
All the prices are including breakfast.

Distances: 20 to 25 minutes walk to the conference centre and 20 minutes to the Zoo.

List of recommended restaurants for the Friday evening.

- Euterpia
Generaal Capiaumontstraat 2, Antwerp (2 vorken (=stars))
(probably best to go with a taxi)
Tel.: ++ 32 (0) 3/235.02.02
E-mail: euterpia@skynet.be (by taxi)
- Minerva
Karel Oomstraat 36, 2018 Antwerp (drie vorken) (probably best to go with a taxi)
Tel.: ++ 32 (0) 3/216.00.55
E-mail: restaurantminerva@skynet.be
- Het Pomphuis
Siberiastraat, 2030 Antwerp (2 vorken) (probably best to go with a taxi)
Tel.: ++ 32 (0) 3/770.86.25
E-mail: info@hetpomphuis.be- open until 23.00
- Hungry Henrietta
Lombardvest 19, 2000 Antwerp (near to the Conference Center Europa Bernardus Centrum) (tram 2,3,5,15 tot Groenplaats)
Tel.: ++ 32 (0) 3/232.29.28
- New Sir Anthony
Oude Korenmarkt 16, Vlaeyikensgang 20, 2000 Antwerp
Hofstraat 24, 2000 Antwerp – French and Belgian Cuisine
Tel.: ++ 32 (0) 03/225.05.45
- Preud'Homme : Suikerrui 28, 2000 Antwerp
Tel.: ++ 32 (0) 3/233.42.00 – open until 23.00