

An aerial photograph of Leiden, Netherlands, showing a dense urban landscape with a canal and a large church. The image is used as a background for a promotional graphic.

The perfect destination for leading international congresses

CONGRESS CITY LEIDEN

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TOP 10 REASONS FOR CHOOSING LEIDEN AS YOUR NEXT CONGRESS DESTINATION

1. Internationally renowned research University
2. One of the largest bioscience clusters in Europe
3. At 15 minutes from Schiphol International Airport
4. The Netherlands' fourth culture city with 13 museums including the 4 National museums
5. Wide choice of congress locations
6. Compact city with many points of interest within walking distance
7. Amsterdam, The Hague, Rotterdam – at 11 to 35 minutes by train
8. Historic city centre with a ring of canals
9. Leiden at Sea: just 12 kilometres to North Sea coast
10. Hotels and restaurants in all classes



CITY OF KNOWLEDGE

- ✓ Leiden is among the leaders in prestigious European academic knowledge centres
- ✓ The university holds a global top position in law and the humanities
- ✓ In all international rankings, Leiden is ranked amongst the top 100 universities in the world
- ✓ The Bio Science Park in Leiden is the heart of medical and biological applied sciences in Northwest Europe



EASY ACCESSIBLE

- ✓ Shorter trip from Schiphol International Airport to Leiden than to Amsterdam
- ✓ 6x trains an hour from Schiphol International Airport to Leiden
- ✓ Leiden Central Station is at a junction of train tracks between Amsterdam (35 minutes), The Hague (15 minutes), Rotterdam (30 minutes) and Utrecht (45 minutes)
- ✓ Leiden Central Station is in walking distance to hotels and venues
- ✓ In the historical city centre, everything is easily accessible on foot or by bike
- ✓ Reach Leiden quickly by car using the A4, A44 and N11 motorways
- ✓ Unique City Parking plan with free shuttle bus to any desired location in the city centre



NUMBERS

- ✓ 340,000 inhabitants (greater Leiden area)
- ✓ 30,000 students
- ✓ 200 restaurants
- ✓ 60 bars
- ✓ 22 hotels
- ✓ 3,000 hotel rooms
- ✓ 20 special congress locations
- ✓ Congress capacity up to 1,500 persons
- ✓ 13 museums
- ✓ Over 3,000 monuments
- ✓ 88 bridges
- ✓ 28 kilometres of canals
- ✓ 6 trains per hour from Schiphol airport to Leiden



CITY OF CULTURE

- ✓ Vibrant city with a rich cultural selection
- ✓ The fourth cultural city in the Netherlands
- ✓ All museums within walking distance from each other
- ✓ Rembrandt, Lievens, dinosaur skeletons, Egyptian temples, treasures from Japan: all waiting for you to be discovered in Leiden



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SERVICE

- ✓ Advice on congress locations
- ✓ Advice on hotel accommodation
- ✓ Advice on professional congress organisers
- ✓ Organising site inspections
- ✓ Compiling and designing your bid book
- ✓ Free promotional material
- ✓ Using image database



SOCIAL PROGRAMME



- ✓ A boat ride should really be high on the list!
- ✓ A walking dinner for 300 people in a 19th century concert hall
- ✓ Visit Hortus botanicus, the oldest botanical garden in the Netherlands
- ✓ Museum Boerhaave puts five centuries of history on display regarding natural sciences and medicine
- ✓ Naturalis is a research institute and natural science museum
- ✓ Get to know the town by way of a walking tour. In Leiden you can take a walk surrounded by 800 years of visible history



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