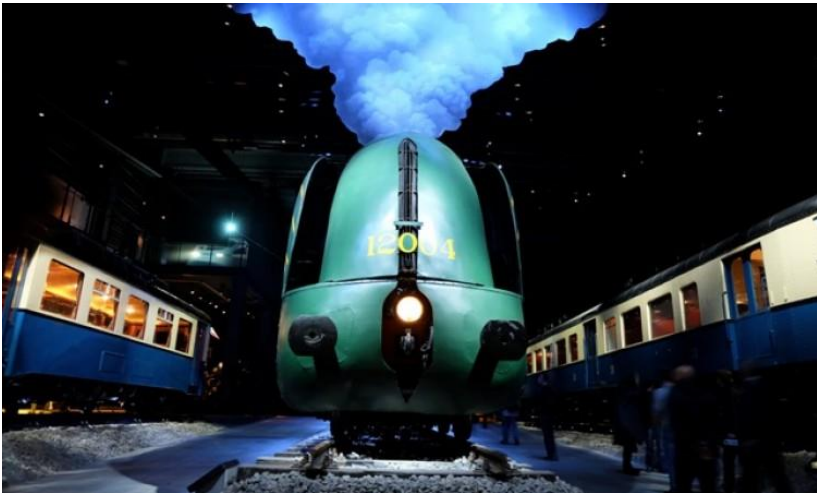


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30 September 2019

Train World Museum, Brussels



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Programme ongoing from 4.00 pm to 9.30 pm

- 15h30: Opening doors.
- 16h00: High Tea is served.
- 16h30: Start of workshop and the face-to-face meetings.
- 19h00: Opening of the buffet.
- 21h30: End (museum closes at 22h00).

Important:

This event is open to meeting- conference- & incentive organizers and is free of charge. Registration is required. Arrival time at your best convenience between 4.00 pm and 7.30 pm the latest.

Registration: pauline@thecontactfactory.com

Address: Train World Museum
5, Place Princesse Elisabeth, 1030 Brussels

Public Transport:

Train:	Schaerbeek Station
Tram 7:	Stop Princesse Elisabeth
Tram 92:	Stop Gare de Schaerbeek
Bus 58 & 59:	Stop Gare de Schaerbeek

B-Parking: public parking next to the train station.

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Congress Centre: The combination of modern architecture and first-class facilities enables events of every sort to be held for up to **7000** people.

Hotel capacity: total rooms in Bonn, about **4000** rooms.

Bonn, city of Beethoven, the United Nations and University city.

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Railway Stations: Dresden Hauptbahnhof and Dresden Neustadt are an integral part of the international EC/ICE network.

Congress Centres: Maritim Hotel & International Congress Center: up to **4147** people in theatre. Messe Dresden Conference Center: up to **5300** people.

Hotels: Hotels 5*: 7 / Hotels 4*: 20 / Hotels 3*: 20. Total beds in Dresden: **22 000**
New hotels: The Student Hotel 3* - Hotel Indigo Dresden 4* - Penck Hotel 4*.

News: Summer 2019: www.ostra-dome.de . “Kraftwerk Mitte” culture center. Rooftop event venue “Felix im Lebendigen Haus”. Ski World Cup Hospitality Area Dresden.

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Airport: Hamburg Airport.

Railway Stations: Hamburg has 4 long-distance & HST train stations.
Hamburg Central Station has 550 000 daily travellers.

Congress Centre: CCH Congress Center Hamburg / CCHANGE 2020
12000 m² exhibition space / 12000 m² foyer space / **12 000** people - seats.
Currently refurbishing: Grand Re-opening in 2020.

Hotel capacity: total rooms **30 711**. Hotels 5*: 14 / Hotels 4*: 90 / Hotels 3*: 136

News: Hotel openings in 2019: Courtyard by Marriott Hamburg City 277 rooms.
Holiday Inn Hamburg - HafenCity 268 rooms / Premier Inn Hamburg City 185 rooms /
Fraser Suites Hamburg 154 rooms / GINN Hotel Hamburg Elbspeicher 130 rooms.

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Congress Centre: Maritim Hotel Bonn: 2.800 m² - total capacity of **2800** people.

News: April 2019: Hotel Paradise Blue Albena on the black sea coast in Bulgaria.
2020: Maritim Hotel Amsterdam, conference hotel with **579** rooms for **4750** delegates.

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Antwerp is a metropolis on a human scale in the heart of Europe. It is a port city and a city of knowledge that is perpetually in motion, building on a rich history and constantly innovating. Antwerp embraces heritage and modernity, old and new, business and leisure. In short, Antwerp is the perfect place to hold your conference!

Airports: Antwerp Airport (8km from the city centre).
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Railway Station: Antwerp Central Station is considered as one of the most beautiful stations in the world, with excellent high speed train connections to Paris, London, Amsterdam-Schiphol with Thalys, Eurostar or Deutsche Bahn.

Congress Centre: Flanders Meeting & Convention Center Antwerp is our brand new state-of-the-art convention center, located in the heart of the city, next to Central Station and adjacent to the Antwerp Zoo and garden. It offers both modern and historical infrastructure with an auditorium-style concert hall with over **2000 seats**. Visit the FMCCA stand to hear about all the other rooms.

Hotel capacity: 63 hotels with 4500 rooms, in 2020 we will reach over **5200 rooms**. A few boutique hotels like Hotel Franq, de Witte Lelie and de Gulde Schoen are considered a 5* property. Hotels 4*: 20 hotels / Hotels 3*: 23 hotels.

News: Lonely Planet 2018: Best in Travel, Antwerp listed in Top 10 City. DIVA Museum Home of Diamonds. Chocolate Nation Museum, the Belgian chocolate experience.

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Flanders Meeting & Convention Center Antwerp



Embedded in the fabric of an award winning 19th century ZOO and next to the most beautiful railway station in the world, the **Flanders Meeting & Convention Center Antwerp** (FMCCA) is an infamously historical gathering place with real, live experiences as part of its heritage.

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Each eurocent spent in our conference centre is managed by the **ZOO Foundation** and directly supports our work in animal welfare, breeding programmes, research, nature & heritage conservation to ensure the survival of our zoological friends.

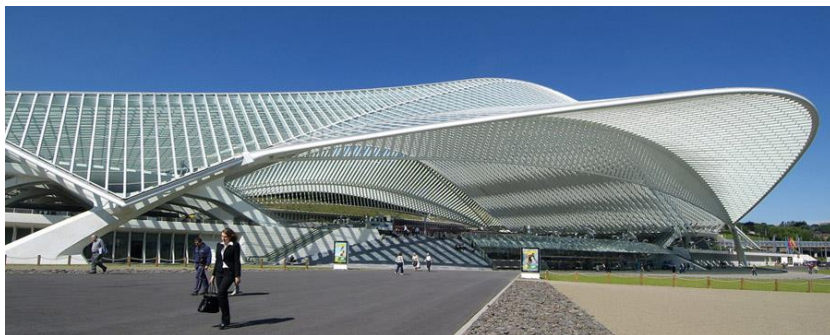
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Airports: Liège - Bierst Airport (LGG) and Maastricht Aachen Airport (MST).

Railway Station: The superb Liège-Guillemins TGV Station is connecting Liège with all major Belgian cities as well as Aachen, Lille, Maastricht, Paris, Cologne, Frankfurt.

Congress Centre: Palais des Congrès de Liège on the banks of the river Meuse. Auditoria for **250 - 500 -1000** people. Spaces of 400m², 1000m², 1300m², 1600 m².

Hotels: Total bedrooms for the whole Province of Liège: **2600** (in 3*, 4*, 5*).

News: Next to the Congress Centre: Van der Valk Congress Hotel Liège (4*), 219 rooms, meetings up to 300 people. There are plans for Eurostar to link Liège to London.

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Forget dull meetings. Combine your meeting in Mechelen with an original outing or teambuilding activity: you can organize meetings in a former brewery, in green surroundings or in a loft. You can stay in a design or wellness hotel or even sleep in a former church. Mechelen is centrally located in Flanders, midway between Antwerp and Brussels.

Airport: Brussels Airport is 20 km from Mechelen (11 minutes by train).

Railway Stations: in the city centre: Station Mechelen and Mechelen-Nekkerspoel. In 2020 Mechelen will have a completely new train station!

Congress Centre: LAMOT Conference and Heritage Centre.
Many different conference rooms and an auditorium with **298 seats**.
Capacity up to maximum **500 people**.

Hotel capacity: 727 rooms
Hotels 4*: 416 rooms / Hotels 3*: 311 rooms

News: Museum Hof van Busleyden: a majestic Renaissance palace.
Van der Valk Congress Hotel Mechelen: 124 rooms, meetings till 500 people.
Predikheren Monastery: library with top class restaurant and meeting facilities

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Airport: Brussels Airport - 200 direct flights - only 20 min. from the city center.

Railway Stations: 60 million Europeans live within 2 hours of Brussels by train thanks to Thalys, TGV & Eurostar connections.

Congress Centres: Brussels Expo for **9500** people.
Square Convention Center for **1260** people.

Hotel capacity: More than **21 000 bedrooms:** 11 hotels 5* / 60 hotels 4* / 80 hotels 3*

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Accessibility: A little island at the heart of Europe

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Atout France, the French government's sole operator in terms of tourism development, is entrusted with contributing to the reinforcement of the attractiveness of Destination France and the competitiveness of its companies and related sectors.

The France Meeting & Convention Board relies on a network of 100 professionals to provide international event organisers with the best conditions for a successful event.

Accessibility: France's easy accessibility makes it a destination of choice for MICE events. With more than 150 airports, including 11 international airports, the high-speed train technology and TGV trains, travel time is effectively reduced to suit your MICE needs. Direct high-speed TGV lines link main French cities to European capital daily.

Ease of access, top of the line infrastructure, beautiful landscapes and unique venues for hosting events reinforce France's leading position in the industry. France's distinct Art de Vivre (way of life), its rich cultural heritage and delectable gastronomy add to the quality of your business event.

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Reims is a real business destination to hold your events: enjoy prestigious sites such as a world famous Champagne House or a UNESCO listed monument. Discover a human scale city and share sparkling experiences in Champagne.

Airport: Paris - Roissy Charles de Gaulle is 30 minutes away by TGV.

Railway Stations: Gare Reims Centre, connected with Paris in 45 minutes.
Easy connections in Paris with Thalys, ICE and Eurostar.
Champagne Ardennes TGV Station: 8km from the city centre is connected with the airport in 30 minutes. Excellent high speed connections to Brussels and Luxembourg.

Congress Centre: in city centre, high performance Convention Centre with two auditoriums, boardrooms, group facilities with capacities from **200 to 5000 people**.

Hotel capacity: 69 hotels with 3774 rooms. In 2020 we will reach over **4000 rooms**.
Hotels 3*: 1310 rooms - Hotels 4*: 640 rooms. Few boutique hotels.

News: May 2019: Opening of a Marriott Autograph Collection in the old fire station: "La Caserne Chanzy" upscale hotel complex, 89 rooms & 17 suites, view on the cathedral, spa, bar-restaurant, 3 meeting rooms.

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DESTINATION RENNES

CONVENTION BUREAU



Rennes is the capital of Brittany with the DNA of a major influential city. As a major magnet for business, an expanding higher education and research centre. Rennes is famed for its quality of life, packed cultural calendar, diverse heritage, contemporary art and buzzing student life. Rennes is the perfect place to hold your events!

Airport: Rennes Bretagne Airport, 8km from the city centre.
Daily direct flights from major French and European cities.

Railway Station: Rennes is at just 1h25 from Paris. The new train station is in the city centre, just 5 minutes by metro from the convention centre. Direct connection to Lille.

Congress Centre: in a historic 14th century building in the city centre, the Couvent des Jacobins, Rennes Convention Centre offers a unique experience. Combining heritage and modernity, this innovative building provides a wide range of modular spaces: a large auditorium for up to **1000 people**, a **400-seats auditorium** in the old convent church, 25 meeting rooms, **4000m² of modular spaces**

Hotel capacity: more than **4000 rooms** ranging from cosy boutique hotels to 5*star luxury, including 2100 rooms: 1585 rooms in 3* and 810 rooms in 4*.

News: The **Couvent des Jacobins - Rennes Convention Centre**, opened in 2018. A new Arena is due to open with 3200 seats in 2019.

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Hello Lille, a destination on a human scale to welcome you!

Surprising, unexpected, visionary and creative: the southern destination of north part of Europe.

Lille, capital of the Region Hauts de France, is proud of its festive traditions and its gastronomy. A trading city since medieval times, a citadel under Louis XIV, a hive of industry during the 19th century and a city of ambition during the 20th century. Lille Metropole offers a blend of faces of the past and of the future and 3 main national museums: la Piscine, LaM and Palais des beaux Arts.

Airport: International airport Lille - Lesquin with over 50 int'l and domestic flights.

Railway Stations: Two railway stations located in the city centre:
Lille Flandres station served by TGV, intercity lines and regional trains.
Lille Europe station welcomes Eurostar, Thalys and TGV.

Congress Centre: Lille Grand Palais situated in the city centre offers 3 auditoriums and 30 breakout-rooms. The largest auditorium is up to **4500 seats**.

Hotel capacity: more than **8500 bedrooms** from 5 stars to the low budget.
Hotels 5*: 250 rooms - Hotels 4*: 1829 rooms - Hotels 3*: 3220 rooms.

News: World Design Capital Lille Metropole 2020.
In 2020 we will reach **9000 bedrooms** with the openings of mama Shelter - Hampton by Hilton - Okko hotel - Adagio.

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Many inhabitants of neighboring capitals come here to enjoy a drink on the squares of Arras. A good reason to extend pleasure by planning your next event right here: (!) Arras Pays d'Artois Tourist Office and Convention Bureau assists you in the full-personalized organization of your meeting thanks to all of its partners.

Airports: Lille Airport: 35 mn via motorway. Brussels Airport: 1h40 via motorway. Roissy Charles de Gaulle Airport: 40 mn by direct TGV.

Railway Station: TGV Arras train station. Lille train station is at 20 mn. Paris train station at 50 mn. and Brussels train station at 1h08.

Congress Centres: Artois Expo: 7 rooms up to 6000 people & auditorium up to 1200 people. Hôtel Mercure Arras: 8 rooms & auditorium up to 300 people. Casino of Arras: 3 rooms & auditorium up to 930 people.

Hotel capacity: More than **830 hotel rooms**.

News: re-openings in 2019: L' Aquarium Hotel 3* - Hôtel du Golf 3* - Ibis Styles Hotel 3*. Events: Main Square Festival with 125 000 attendees per year. "Le Traité de Versailles", exhibition in partnership with the Palace of Versailles

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Marseille, modern, dynamic, constantly on the move is now making waves in the meeting world. The second largest city in France, with 2600 years of fascinating history is lined with 57 kilometers of coast along the Mediterranean Sea that leads into the Calanques National Park, paradise for all the incentives.

Airport: Marseille Provence Airport (25 km from city centre).

Railway station in the city centre: Marseille Saint Charles, TGV to Paris (3 :00), Frankfurt, Brussels (5 :30), Geneva, Barcelona and London (7 :00 with Eurostar).

Congress Centres: 3 congress centres: **Marseille Chanot** in the heart of the city, With 6 exhibitions halls, **3200** seats plenary and 2 auditoria (400 to 1200 seats).

The Pharo Palace: former imperial residence, **900 seats auditorium** and a catering area for 1000 guests, overlooking the Old Port.

World Trade Centre: **2600m²** located on the Old Port, fully renovated in 2017.

Hotel capacity: nearly **10 000** rooms including 2500 rooms in 5 and 4 stars.

News: in 2019: Marseille Provence Gastronomy “MPG2019”. In 2020: the European Contemporary Art Biennial. In 2024: the sailing competitions of the Olympic Games.

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16 destinations: Avignon, Arles, Aix-en-Provence, Marseille, Aubagne, Toulon, Hyères-les-Palmiers, St Raphaël, Mandelieu la Napoule, Cannes, Antibes Juan-les-Pins, Nice, Gréoux les Bains, Menton, Monaco.... and Ajaccio.

Airports: 2 international airports: Nice Côte d'Azur and Marseille Provence.
2 European airports: Toulon Hyères and Avignon Provence.
2 business airports: Cannes and St Tropez.

Railway Stations in the region: **15 train stations served by TGV.**

Congress Centres: 21 convention centres. Capacity over **3200** people in plenary.

Hotel capacity: The region is home to leading 4-star hotels, with group capacities from **20 to 600 people**. Most member hotels of our network are involved in quality policy and eco-label programs.

News: new establishments in the region: Sky Center and Casa Delauze in Marseille. Foundation Villa Carnagnac in Hyères les Palmiers. Estérel Arena in Saint Raphaël. Hotel projects to come in Toulon. Hotel renovations in Nice (Radisson Blu Nice 4*, Servotel,...). New conference center in Monaco ...

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Airport: Nice Côte d'Azur International Airport.

Railway Station: Monaco Monte-Carlo Station. TGV from Paris in 5h30.

Congress Centre: eco-certified convention centre Grimaldi Forum Monaco: **35 000 m²**
70 000 m² with all the spaces & restaurants. 3 auditoria: **400, 800, 1800 seats.**

Hotel capacity: 2500 rooms in the Principality, half of them in 4* properties.
40 meeting rooms spread over 9 hotels for groups from **10 to 900** people.

Events: Monaco Grand Prix, Monte Carlo Rolex Masters, Monte Carlo International Circus Festival, Monaco Yacht show, Les Ballets de Monte Carlo.

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