1-3 July, 2016 – Gent, Belgium

Augustijnenklooster

Venue – Hotel – Travel Information

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1-3 Jul 2016 – St Augustijnenklooster, Academiestraat 1, 9000 Gent (www.thagaste.be)
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Information about the Venue:
The scientific sessions and social events will take place at the St Augustijnenklooster, Academiestraat 1, Gent. For more information and photos of this beautiful site, visit www.thagaste.be. Note that this is still an inhabited, active abbey and all activities in the conference spaces must end by midnight.

Travel Information:
Travelling from the ICAR conference in Tours, France: If there is a significant number of interested delegates, a bus may be organized that will bring you directly from the ICAR conference center to the center of Ghent (5-6hrs driving, minimum of 30 passengers needed). Alternatively, every day there are several TGV trains from Tours to Brussels. The TGV trains depart from the central train station in Tours (across the street from the ICAR congress center). Be advised that there are direct trains to Brussels. Trains with a change in Paris require you to change rail stations in Paris and take about 45min by metro (Gare Montparnasse to Gare du Nord). In Brussel one needs to take a direct train to “Gent St Pieters Station” in the center of Gent.

Traveling by car: Gent has several large underground parkings where you can leave your car for several days. These parkings are at close proximity to the conference venue and the nearby hotels. Check with your hotel, but hotels with customer parking are rare in Gent.

Traveling by plane: Brussels International (Zaventem) is the main airport. There are trains leaving from the lower level of the airport to Brussels (change to Gent St Pieters) or direct trains to Gent St Pieter Station. Either way travelling from the airport to Gent takes between 30-45min. Some of the low cost airlines also land in Brussels International (Zaventem). The alternate airport is Brussels Charleroi. This is the low cost carrier airport. There are special shuttle bus lines (private carriers) directly from Charleroi airport to Gent St Pieter Station. The journey will take about 2hrs. For more information see the Useful Links section below.

Contact information:
Questions regarding abstract submission, deadlines and all others related to the scientific or social program should be directed to Peter Daels peter.daels@ugent.be or tel. +32471510040 (also WhatsApp).

Tourist information:
Gent is one of the most beautiful cities in Belgium (click here). It has many beautiful buildings and museums to visit, plenty of good restaurants and lots of well-provided bars where you can taste over 200 different kinds of regional beers. The conference site is literally at 5-min walking distance from the famous “Graslei” which is considered the heart of Gent and counts Gent’s most ancient and beautiful houses. For more information take a look at these images.

Weather information:
Warm but changing with chances for long sunny periods but also rain is possible. Temperatures at midday around 20-25°C (68-75°F). More information
**Hotel Information:**

Hotels should be booked by the delegates by contacting the hotel directly or using a booking agency of your choice. A limited number of rooms have been reserved as indicated below. These rooms are available at a discount rate and must be booked directly with the hotel (no booking agency!) Prices and distances are indicative and not binding.

Sandton Grand Hotel Reylof (142 €/single room or 80€/double occupancy – 900 m – 11 min walking) 60 rooms reserved for ISEET at discount rate - more information about hotel and booking at [http://www.ivis.org/iseet/hotel/Sandton.pdf](http://www.ivis.org/iseet/hotel/Sandton.pdf)

Hotel NH Gent Belfort (100€/night – 750m – 9 min walking) 60 rooms reserved for ISEET - more information about hotel and booking at

Hotel Gravensteen (104 €/single room or 57 €/person/double occupancy – 450 m – 5 min walking) 20 rooms reserved for ISEET at discount rate - more information about hotel and booking at [http://www.ivis.org/iseet/hotel/Gravensteen.pdf](http://www.ivis.org/iseet/hotel/Gravensteen.pdf)

Erasmus Hotel (116€/night – 850m – 10 min walking) 8 rooms reserved for ISEET - more information about hotel and booking at

Youth Hostel De Draecke (Sint Widostraat 11 - 20 €/night– 260 m – 3 min walking) 20 beds reserved for ISEET - more information about hotel and booking at [http://www.ivis.org/iseet/hotel/DeDraecke.pdf](http://www.ivis.org/iseet/hotel/DeDraecke.pdf)

Hotel Novotel Gent Centrum (750m – 9 min walking)

Ghent Marriott Hotel (650m – 8 min walking)

Hotel Ibis Gent Centrum St Baafs Cathedral (1km – 13 min walking)

Hotel Ibis Gent Centrum Opera (1.4km – 17 min walking)

Hotel Onderbergen (1.3km – 15 min walking)

Hotel Flandria Centrum (1.1km – 13 min walking)

Youth Hostel De Draecke (Sint Widostraat 11 – 260m – 3 min walking)

Backstay Hostel Ghent (St Pietersnieuwstraat 128 – 1.7km – 21 min walking)

Hostel Upperlink (Sint-Michielsplein 21 – 850m – 11 min walking)

13 O'Clock Hostel Ghent (Universiteitstraat 13 – 1.2km – 15 min walking)

**Useful links:**

ICAR convention centre: [Tours Vinci Congres Centre](http://www.thagaste.be/en/)

TGV train schedules from Tours to Brussels: [http://be.voyages-sncf.com/en/?redirect=yes](http://be.voyages-sncf.com/en/?redirect=yes)

Train schedules from Brussels to Gent: [https://www.b-europe.com/Travel](https://www.b-europe.com/Travel) or [www.belgianrail.be](http://www.belgianrail.be)


Gent: Must See, Public Transportation, Events, etc... [http://visit.gent.be/en/home](http://visit.gent.be/en/home)

Images of Ghent:  [click here](http://www.thagaste.be) or go to Google images ...
Train schedule between Brussels International Airport (Zaventem) and Gent: [Click here](http://visit.gent.be/en/shuttle-bus-and-charleroi-airport?context=tourist)