

# Media & Learning 2024: 20-21 June in Leuven, Belgium

# **Getting to Leuven**

Leuven is a historical University town in the centre of Belgium, in the Dutch speaking part of the country. Leuven can be easily reached by car, plane and/or public transport. You will find more information about Leuven here: <u>http://www.leuven.be/en/tourism/</u>

The conference is taking place in Provincie Vlaams-Brabant - **Provinciehuis** which is located at: *Provincieplein 1, 3010 Leuven, Belgium* 

#### Getting to Provinciehuis in Leuven by car

From the E40, take the E314 and immediately take exit 15 towards Leuven centre. Follow the road to the Leuven ring road, turn right towards Tienen and Diest. You drive past the Tiense Poort. When approaching the provincial government building, choose the right lane and continue towards the station until the end. Then carefully turn right and drive slowly, with respect for pedestrians and cyclists who cross your path here, under the pedestrian bridge (Roger Van Overstraetenplein) until you reach the railway. Now turn to the right and continue your journey along the tracks, towards the provincial house. <u>Read more about parking</u> in the provincial government building.

#### Getting to Provinciehuis in Leuven by public transport

The Provincial House is within walking distance (700m) of Leuven's train and bus station. When you walk out of the station, turn left across Roger Van Overstraetenplein.



#### Getting to Leuven by plane

Two Belgian airports may be served from your location, we recommend you to select as your destination Brussels International Airport in Zaventem if your flight schedule allows. The airport train station is located below the terminal (basement level -1). There are regular direct trains to Leuven and the journey will take you less than 15 minutes. Trains go very frequently between 05:10 and 00:47. For train schedule and ticket sales online, see <a href="http://www.belgianrail.be/jp/sncb-nmbs-routeplanner/query.exe/en">http://www.belgianrail.be/jp/sncb-nmbs-routeplanner/query.exe/en</a>

Then there is also Brussels South International Airport in Charleroi which serves low fare airlines (Ryan Air, Wizz Air...) This airport is a long way out of Brussels and even further away from Leuven. If you happen to be arriving here, see <a href="http://www.charleroi-airport.com/en/acces/getting-here/index.html">http://www.charleroi-airport.com/en/acces/getting-here/index.html</a>



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# Staying in Leuven

Leuven is relatively small, you can walk from one end of the city to the other in half an hour. There are several hotels in the immediate neighbourhood of the conference location as well as several others within walking distance and moreover the public bus transport is very efficient to get you everywhere. The list below provides a mix of differently priced hotels and the prices given are average prices, the actual price will vary depending on availability and demand, but you are advised to book as soon as possible to avoid any problems and to check various websites like booking.com as well as the hotel's own website to get the best price available.

<u>Please note: we cannot make the bookings for you, you will have to do this yourself. All hotels are</u> <u>multilingual, you will have no problems in communicating. If you have any unexpected problems or</u> <u>questions, let us know.</u>

## Park Inn by Radisson

This large modern 3 star hotel is just steps away from Leuven train station. It has 133 stylish rooms which feature free high-speed Wi-Fi, individual climate control and flat-screen LCD televisions.

- Address: Martelarenlaan 36, 3010 Leuven
- Walking distance to the conference: 650 m
- Average price per room per person per night in June 2024: €202
- Website: <u>https://www.radissonhotels.com/</u>

### Ibis Budget Leuven Centrum

This is a budget Ibis hotel, modern, clean but no frills. Situated at Martelarenlaan 10, 3010 Leuven, it's right beside the train station. It offers free wifi and has a breakfast buffet.

- Address: Martelarenlaan 10, 3010 Leuven, Belgium
- Walking distance to the conference: 800 m
- Average price per room per person per night in June 2024: €83
- Website: <u>https://all.accor.com/</u>

### Hotel Industrie

This is a rather old-fashioned but cosy 1 star hotel right located on the square in front of the train station which is usually very good value. It offers free wifi and all bedrooms have their own bathroom.

- Address: Martelarenplein 7, 3000 Leuven, Belgium
- Walking distance to the conference: 550 m
- Average price per room per person per night in June 2024: €59
- Website: http://www.hotel-industrie.be/

### **Mille Colonnes**

Located on the square in front of the train station this is a small but cosy hotel which is usually



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very good value. Most rooms have their own bathroom, but check facilities when booking.

- Address: Martelarenplein 5, 3000 Leuven, Belgium
- Walking distance to the conference: 500 m
- Average price per room per person per night in June 2024: €79
- Website: https://hotelmillecolonnes.be

### Penta Hotel

Located right in Leuven's historical centre, pentahotel Leuven features a fitness centre and an on-site bar, and provides guests with laundry services, meeting facilities and free WiFi in public areas.

- Address: Alfons Smetsplein 7, Leuven, 3000, Belgium
- Walking distance to the conference: 1.3 km
- Average price per room per person per night in June 2024: €203
- Website: <u>https://www.pentahotels.com/</u>

#### Ibis Leuven Centrum

This Ibis located at Brusselsestraat 52, is a 3 star hotel with free wifi and a buffet breakfast. It offers parking and has its own bar. It is located much more centrally than the Ibis at the train station.

- Address: Brusselsestraat 52, 3000 Leuven, Belgium
- Walking distance to the conference: 1.6 km
- Average price per room per person per night in June 2024: €127
- Website: <u>https://all.accor.com/</u>

# Begijnhof Hotel, Leuven

This is a modern 4 star hotel situated about 200 m from the 13th-century Grand Beguinage in Leuven which features a gym, a sauna and a secluded garden with a terrace. While close to the conference venue, this hotel is located near the ring around Leuven and therefore a bit of a walk to the city centre. Parking is available.

- Address: Tervuursevest 70, 3000 Leuven, Belgium
- Walking distance to the conference: 2 km
- Average price per room per person per night in June 2024: €174
- Website: http://www.bchotel.be/en/

### Martin's Klooster

This is a very nice 4 star hotel which is idyllically situated at the end of a picturesque cobbled street in the middle of Leuven's historical centre in a converted monastery. It has 103 rooms, many of which are unique and the hotel has its own very attractive bar. Parking can be arranged.

- Address: Onze-Lieve-Vrouwstraat 18, 3000 Leuven, Belgium
- Walking distance to the conference: 1.7 km
- Average price per room per person per night in June 2024: €203
- Website: https://www.martinshotels.com