

Travel information

About

About Tervuren

Tervuren is situated in the 'green belt' of Flemish Brabant and it is only 15 km away from Brussels, the capital of Belgium. It is especially known for the Royal Museum for Central Africa, the park and the Sonian forest. Many walking and biking routes traverse Tervuren. Enjoy the relaxing environment!

More info can be found on:

<https://groenegordel.toerismevlaamsbrabant.be/en>

and

<http://www.visittervuren.be/en>

Under SEE & DO you can find the Top 5 locations in Tervuren. Amongst them are:

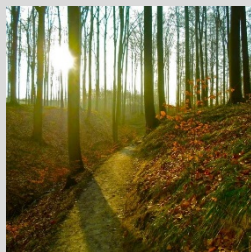
The Africa Museum



Tervuren Park



Sonian Forest



Geographical Arboretum



About Brussels

Brussels is the capital of Belgium and Europe. Admire the Town Hall while having a drink at the Grand Place or stroll the streets to find Manneken-Pis. Don't forget to check out the Atomium. This gigantic iron molecule was built for Expo 58 and has a permanent expo inside one of the bolls.

More info can be found on:

<https://www.brussels.be>

and

<https://visit.brussels/en/>

Under Do & See you can find the most visited museums, monuments, parks and attractions of Brussels. Amongst them are:

Atomium



Manneken-Pis



Parc du Cinquantenaire (French) or Jubelpark (Dutch)



Brussels Town Hall on the Grand Place



About Leuven

Leuven is the capital of the Belgian province of Flemish Brabant. Leuven can charm you with its picturesque buildings like the Town Hall, University library and the great Beguinage. If you are in for a drink, don't hesitate to go to the 'Oude Mark' which is called the 'longest bar of the world'.

More info can be found on:

<https://www.visitleuven.be/en>

Under See & Do – Sightseeing you can find the most visited places of Leuven. Amongst them are:

Town Hall



Great Beguinage



University library & tower



Oude Markt



How to get to Tervuren, Brussels and Leuven

When you are coming **by plane**, the closest airport to Tervuren, Brussels and Leuven is **Brussels airport Zaventem** (15-25 km). This airport has a train station (floor level -1), buses (floor level 0) and taxis (floor level 1) that will take you to your destination. More info including prices and bus/train lines can be found on www.brusselsairport.be.

From **Brussels South Charleroi Airport**, you will have to travel more than 60 km to reach your destination. This airport has a Brussels city Shuttle that will bring you from and to Brussels-South train station. You can also take the bus to Charleroi-South train Station. From there you can continue your trip. More info including prices and bus/train lines can be found on www.brussels-charleroi-airport.com.

From Amsterdam, London, Paris and Cologne you can travel directly to Brussels **by train** in 1-2h. All info can be found on <https://www.b-europe.com/EN>. From Brussels you can easily reach Leuven and Tervuren.

Attention: When you are going to Leuven do not get mistaken. **Leuven** (Dutch) is the same as **Louvain** (French) but is **not** the same as **Louvain La Neuve**!!

How to get to

Conference center

You can reach the conference center (Sciensano, Leuvensesteenweg 17, 3080 Tervuren) from Tervuren by foot or bus; from Brussels by bus (from the organisation) or public transport and from Leuven by bus (De Lijn).

From Tervuren

Starting from Tervuren centrum you can easily walk to the conference center. This will only take you 15 minutes. You can walk through the park or you can follow the street.

There is also a bus from De Lijn (nr 317) that can take you from the church of Tervuren to the conference center. You get on the bus to 'Leuven' and get off at 'Tervuren Oude Leuvense Baan'. To go back, you take the same bus in the other direction (to 'Kraainem'). The bus ride will only take 5 minutes.

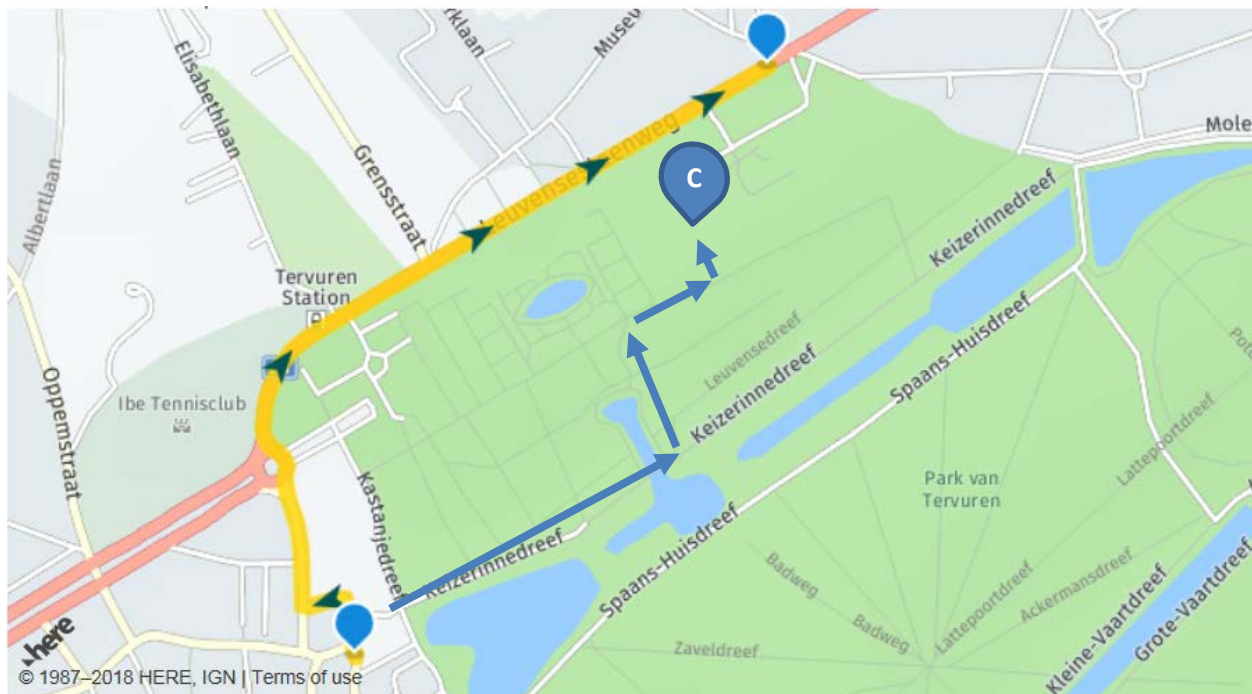


Figure 1: The blue balloon with a 'C' indicates the conference center. the yellow line indicates the bus route from Tervuren centrum to the stop at 'Tervuren Oude Leuvense Baan'. The blue lines indicate a way through the park.

You can find a map of Tervuren and Bus, Metro and tram planner on:

<http://www.visittervuren.be/en/access>

From Brussels (Brussel/Bruxelles)

The conference organisation will provide one bus to and from the conference center every day. This bus will depart and stop close to the center of Brussels where most of the hotels are located. If you want to take this bus, we ask you to indicate that on your registration form.

You can also take the public transportation to the conference center. You will have to take **one metro and one Tram** to get there.

From Centraal Station [MIVB] to the conference center:

| | from | direction | Get off at | Hour | Duration |
|---------|------------------|-----------|------------------|-------------------|----------|
| Metro 1 | Brussel Centraal | Stockel | Montgomery | Every few minutes | 45 min |
| Tram 44 | Montgomery | Tervuren | Tervuren Station | | |

From the conference center to Centraal Station [MIVB]:

| | from | direction | Get off at | Hour | Duration |
|---------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|----------|
| Tram 44 | Tervuren Station | Montgomery | Montgomery | Every few minutes | 45 min |
| Metro 1 | Montgomery | Garde de l'ouest | Brussel Centraal | | |

Address Centraal Station [MIVB] : CARREFOUR DE L'EUROPE/EUOPAKRUISPUNT, 2 1000 BRUXELLES/BRUSSEL

You can also use the '[route planner](#)' of MIVB

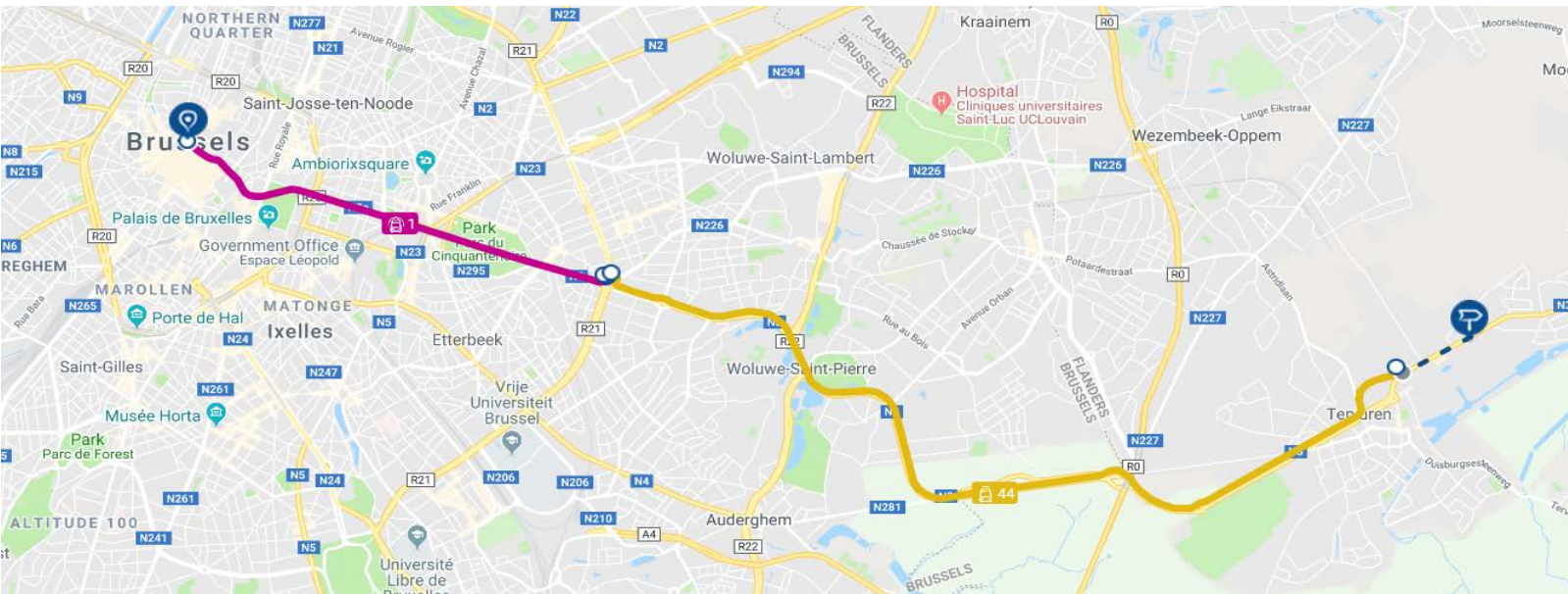


Figure 2: Metro and Tram route from Brussels to the conference center.

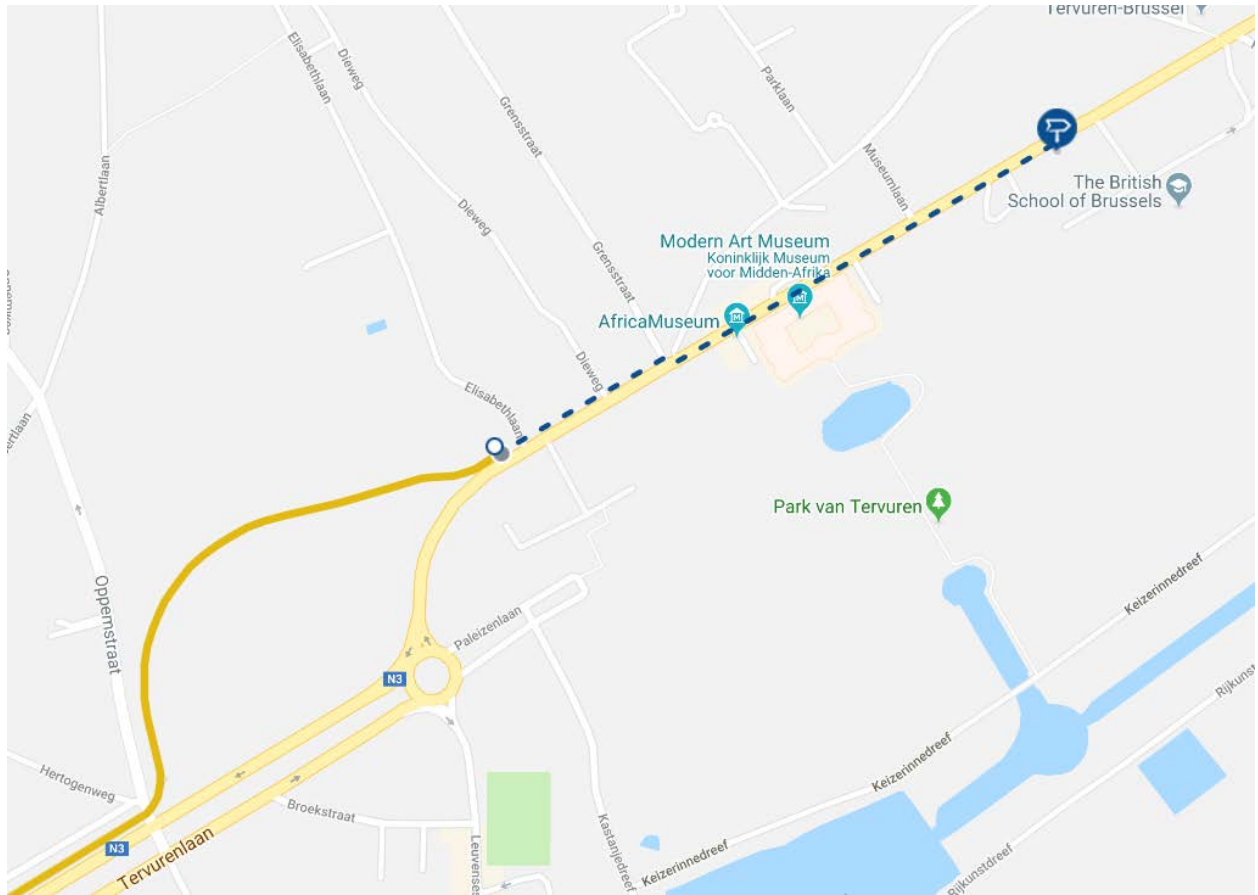


Figure 3: Visualisation of the route to the conference center (blue arrow) from Brussels. The purple and yellow line indicate respectively the Metro and Tram line. The dotted blue line indicates the walking distance from Tervuren Station to the conference center

From Leuven

Next to the train station of Leuven, you can find the bus station of De Lijn. Here you can take a bus directly to the conference center. You can either take bus number 317 or 410.

Buses to the conference center, starting from Leuven Station:

| Bus nr 'De Lijn' + direction | Bus lane at station | Get off at | Hour | Duration |
|------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|----------|
| 317 - Kraainem | 10 | Tervuren Oude Leuvense Baan | Check here | 34 min |
| 410 - Brussel | 14 | Tram terminus 44, Tervuren | Check here | 25 min |

Buses to Leuven, starting from the conference center:

| Bus nr 'De Lijn' + direction | Get off at | Hour | Duration |
|------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|----------|
| 317 - Leuven | Leuven station | Check here | 34 min |
| 410 - Leuven | | Check here | 25 min |

You can also use the '[route planner](#)' of De Lijn.

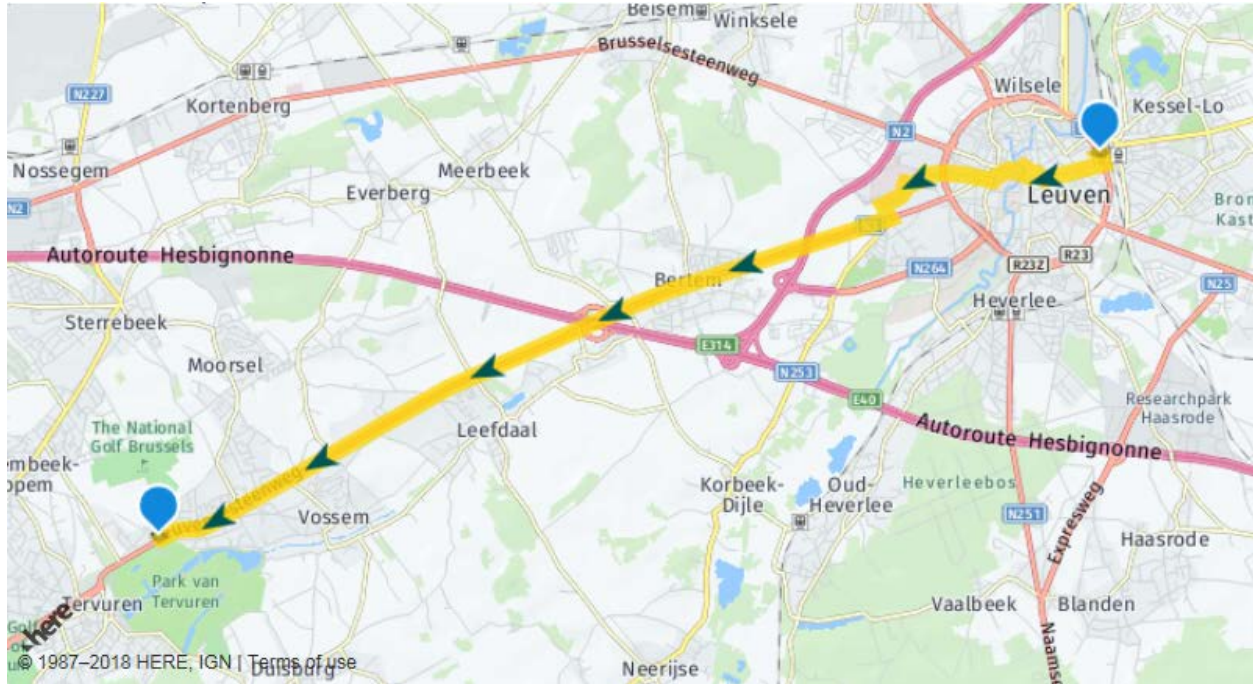


Figure 4: Bus route 314 to the conference center. This bus stops at 'Oude Leuvense Baan' Tervuren.

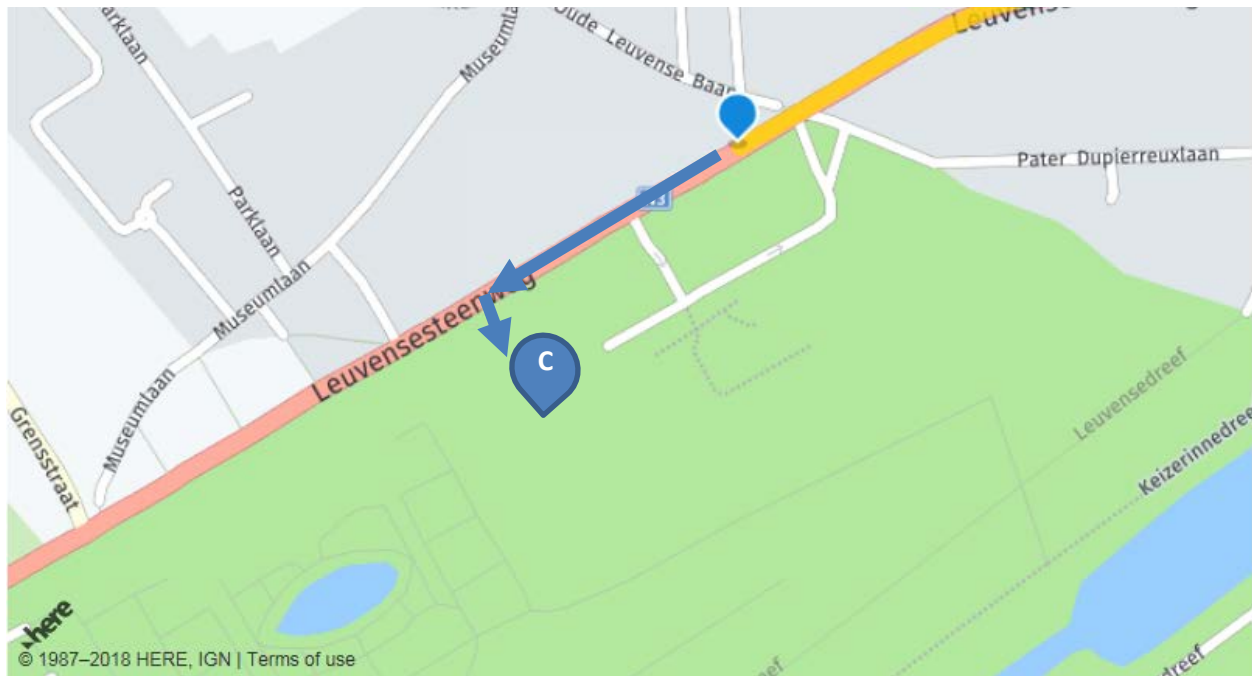


Figure 5: Close up of the route of bus 317. The yellow line indicates the bus route, the blue lines indicate the walking distance to the conference center from the stop at 'Oude Leuvense Baan' Tervuren.

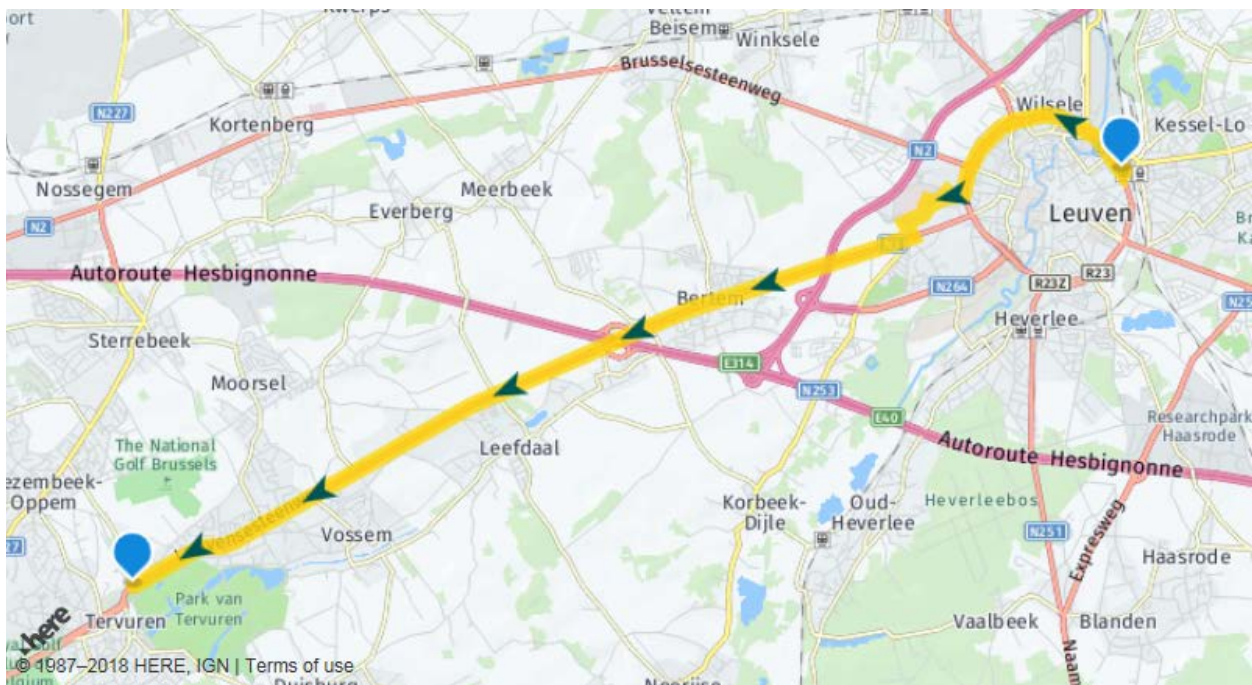


Figure 6: Bus route 410 to the conference center. This bus stops at the Tram Station of Tervuren.

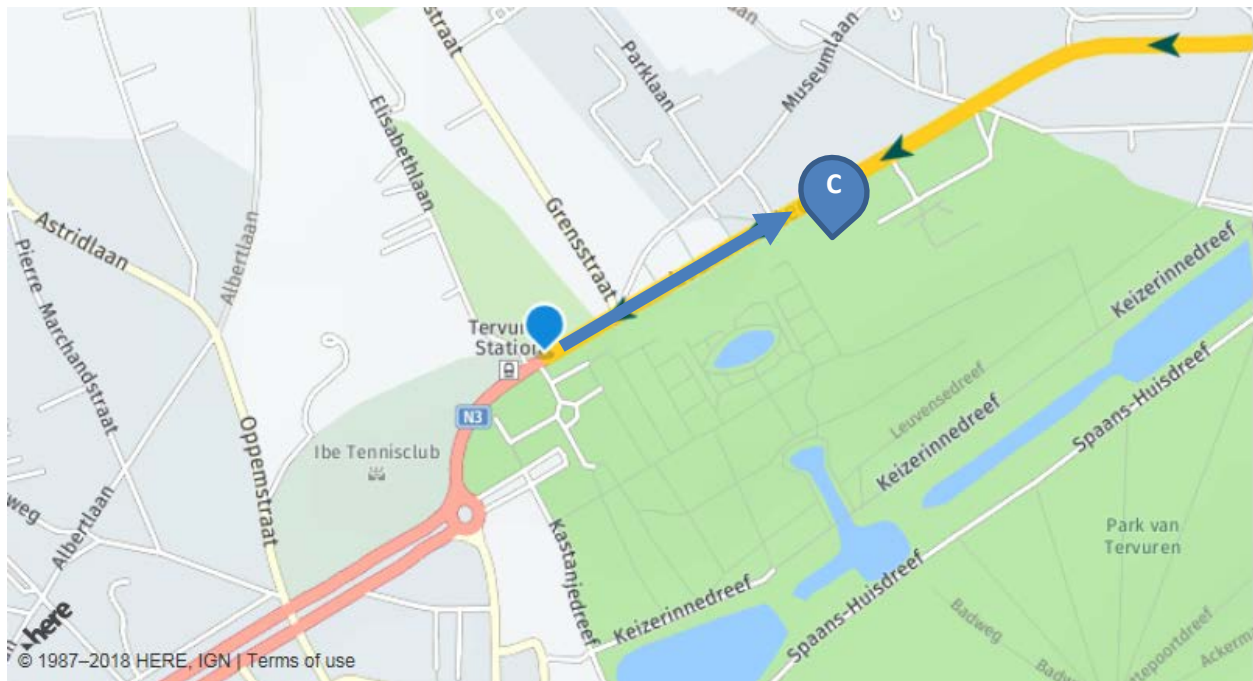


Figure 7: Close up of the route of bus 410. The yellow line indicates the bus route, the blue lines indicate the walking distance to the conference center.

How to get to the Africa Museum

The Africa Museum which is located next to the conference center. You will receive a voucher/ticket at the symposium registration desk. You can use this ticket on Tuesday 17th or Wednesday 18th of September during the opening hours.

The direction to the museum venue (Leuvensesteenweg 13, Tervuren) can be easily explained starting from the conference center. From the conference center you go to the main street and walk in the direction of Tervuren (when standing with your back to the conference center you should go left). When you walk past the Museum you will find the glass building = museum entrance.



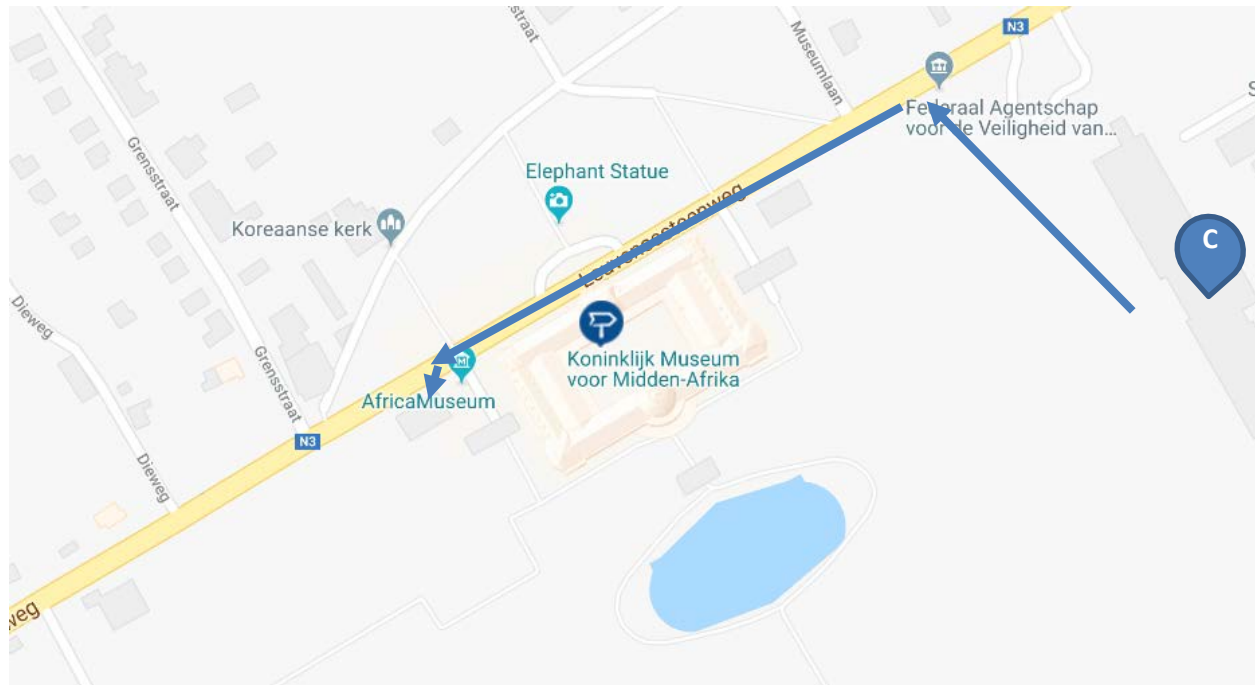


Figure 8: Walking direction to the museum starting from the conference center.

How to get to the Gala dinner venue (Koloniënpaleis)

The Gala dinner will be held at the 'Koloniënpaleis' (Paleizenlaan, Tervuren). When you come from the conference center, walk towards the Africa Museum. Keep walking onto the main street and take the first street on your left hand side or walk to the roundabout and go left to the Koloniënpaleis.

The organization will provide a bus between Brussels and the Koloniënpaleis (indicate on your registration form). From Leuven, you can easily get there with bus 317 or 410. There is a bus stop near the tram station of Tervuren which is not far from the Gala dinner venue (Paleizenlaan, Tervuren). Keep in mind that the latest bus to Leuven will depart around 23h.



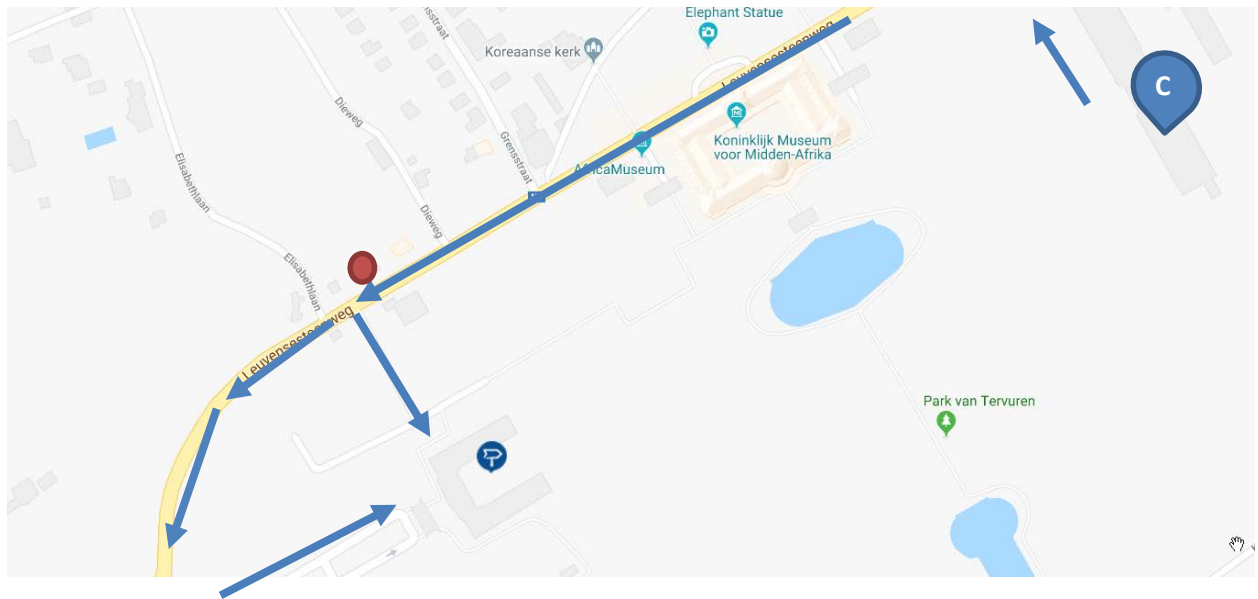


Figure 9: walking direction to the Gala Dinner Venue starting from the conference center. The red dot indicates the bus stop near the Tram station of Tervuren.

How to get to the B.B.Q. venue (De Foyer)

The B.B.Q. will be held after the last presentations on Wednesday. Coming from the conference center you can walk through the park or you can take bus 317 to Tervuren centrum (church).



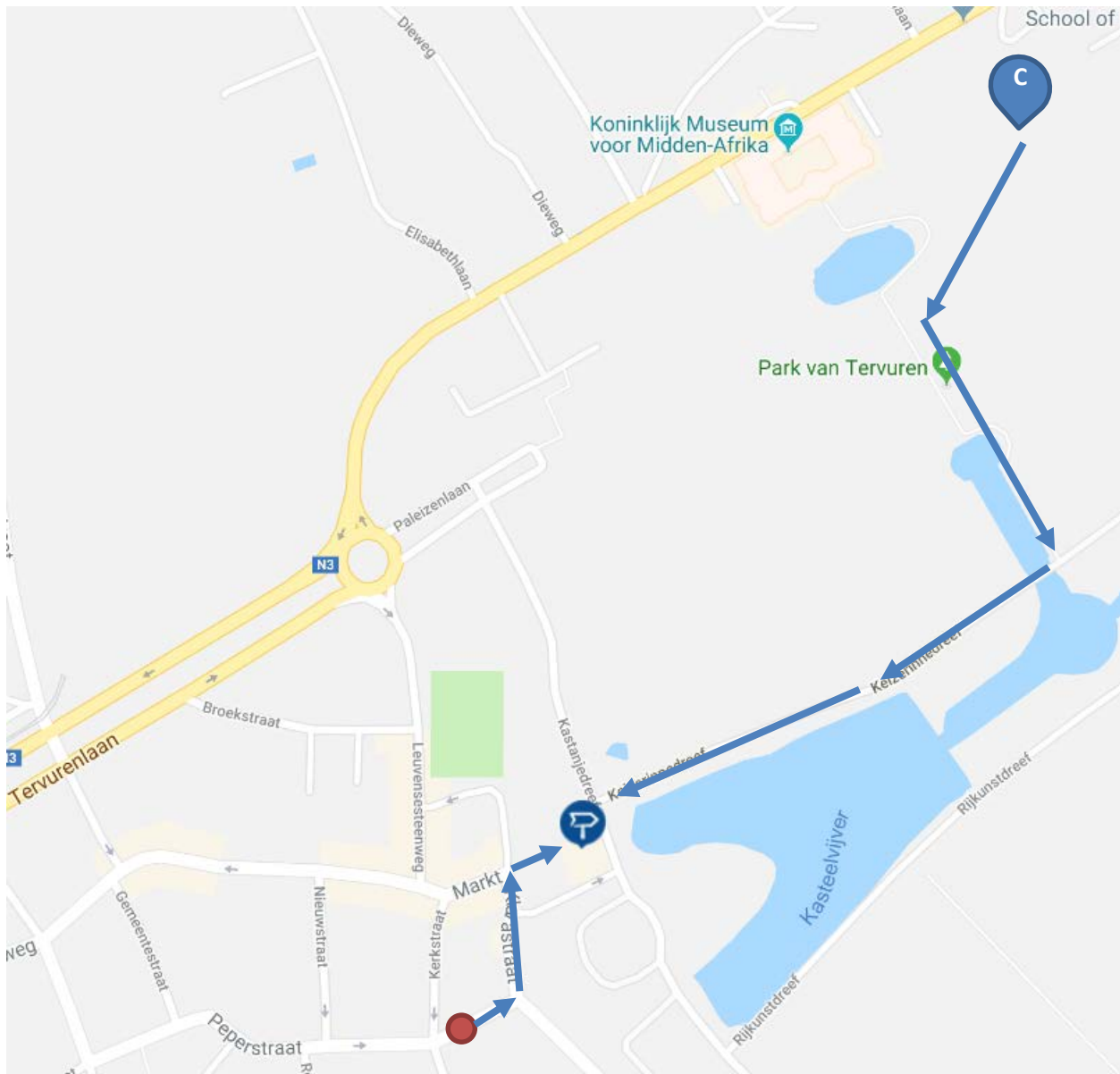


Figure 10: Walking direction to the B.B.Q. venue (blue and with arrow). The blue arrows indicate the walk way, the red dot is the bus stop at Tervuren center (church) and 'C' indicates the conference center.

Tickets for the public transportation

Attention! For transport from Leuven and Tervuren, you need a ticket from 'De Lijn' and for transport from Brussels, you need a ticket from 'MIVB'.

Leuven and Tervuren (!Bus De Lijn!):

- Single ticket

A ticket is valid for a single journey, with a transfer if necessary.

| Ticket | Price on the bus |
|------------|------------------|
| 60 minutes | € 3.00 |

- Day pass (1, 3, 5 days)

A day pass or multiple days pass is the cheapest ticket if you don't have a season ticket and travel with the buses of De Lijn frequently for 1 or several consecutive days.

| Type | Presale | On the bus |
|----------------|---------|------------|
| Day pass | € 6,00 | € 8,00 |
| Three day pass | € 12,00 | - |

Where to buy presale tickets

Leuven

| where | Address | Opening hours |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| Lijnwinkel Bus station | Martelarenplein 19 3000 Leuven | Monday - Friday from 7.30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. and from 1:00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. Sunday closed |
| Ticket Vending Machine Bus station | | / |

Tervuren

| where | address | Opening hours |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| Dbh Paparazzi (ask at the counter) | Brusselsesteenweg 10A, 3080 Tervuren | Monday-Friday from 6.30 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. Saturday from 7a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday closed |
| Kruidvat (ask at the counter) | Leuvensesteenweg 6A, 3080 Tervuren | Monday-Friday from 9a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday closed |

Brussels (!Metro and Tram MIVB!):

Single fare & 10 journeys BUS Airport

For 1 journey (purchased outside vehicle) : 4,50 €

For 1 journey (purchased inside vehicle) : 6,00 €

For 10 journeys: 32,00 €

- Number of journeys: 1 or 10 journeys depending on the ticket, including connections during 60 minutes after the first validation.
- Geographical area: the entire STIB network (including the buslines 12 and 21 on the Bourget-Brussels Airport section).
- Medium*: MOBIB or MOBIB Basic card (cost=5€)/ contactless ticket (only single fare)
- Customers: All customers.
- Where to buy?
 - [BOOTIK](#) - [GO Easy](#) - [KIOSK](#) - [GO](#) vending machine
 - On the **buses of line 12 and 21** (only single fare tickets)
 - You can purchase a ticket beforehand at the GO vending machine at the airport which is located on platform C of the busstation

Where to buy presale tickets

| where | Address | Opening hours |
|---|--|--|
| Centraal Station [MIVB] Ticket Vending Machine | CARREFOUR DE L'EUROPE/EUROPAPUNT, 2 1000 BRUXELLES/BRUSSEL | Monday-Sunday from 6.15 a.m. to 22 p.m. |

Visa requirements

When you are a citizen of a non-Schengen country, it is possible that you need a Visa to travel to Belgium. Click [here](#) to check, this link will redirect you to the Visa policy of the European Commission.

If you need to apply for a visa, you can find more info on the website of Foreign Affairs: https://diplomatie.belgium.be/en/services/travel_to_belgium/visa_for_belgium

Practical information

Currency: The currency used in Belgium is the Euro (€).

Electricity: Electricity in Belgium is 230V, 50Hz. Plugs French 2-pin (Type E) or (older plugs) European 2-pin (Type C).

Emergency services: For police, fire, or ambulance: **DIAL 112.**

Language: Belgium has three official languages: Dutch, French and German. The country is divided in "languages zones" indicating the mother tongue of the native population. Although Tervuren and Leuven are situated in the Dutch speaking part of Belgium, you will get around using English and French. Brussels is the capital of Belgium, so you can get around using Dutch, French and English.

Telephone: To make an international call from Belgium, dial 00 (or +) followed by the country code. To dial a Belgian number use 0032 or +32.

Time: The local time in Belgium is Central European Time (GMT + 1 hour)

Tipping: Tips are always included in the prices given in taxis, restaurants etc.