

Dear Colleagues,

Concern: Meetings in Liege: 2-6 October 2006 – Practical information

Here are the practical information to organization your visit to LIEGE for the following meetings (IMPROVE, CAREMAR, WEGEMT & ASIA-LINK). All the meetings will be organized the first week of October. From my knowledge you will participate at least at one of these meetings:

- IMPROVE Kick-off Meeting (Strep FP6 EU project), on 2, 3 and 4 October
- CAREMAR, Annual meeting, on 3 and 4 October
- WEGEMT, Annual meeting, on 4 and 5 October
- ASIA LINK meeting, on 4 and 5 October

These 4 meetings will have as common event the Workshop “Ship Structure Optimisation”, on 4th October. This will be a key event of the week, its organization is shared by IMPROVE, CAREMAR and WEGEMT members. Your participation would be highly appreciated.

All these meetings will be hosted by ANAST, department of Naval Architecture, University of Liege (at Sart Tilman campus), Liege, Belgium (see internet link for maps here after).

1) Accomodations (Hotels)

Blocks of rooms are already reserved for participants but only limited numbers. Please book ASAP (before 5 September if possible). When you book please refer to "IMPROVE-WEGEMT MEETINGS (Univ of Liege)"

Hotel Bedford (Liege) - one of the best hotels in Liege,

Rate: About 85 Euro with breakfast for a single and 112 Euro for a double (ask for university rate)

Location: 10 minutes Taxi from the railway station (about 10-15 Euro). 10 minutes walk to the city center.

Address: Bedford Hotel Liege, Quai St. Leonard 36, 4000 Liege, BELGIUM

Tel: 32-4-228 8111 ; Fax : 32-4-227 4575

Website: www.hotelbedford.be

Email: info@hotelbedford.be

Hotel Cygne d'Argent

Rate: 60 Euro with breakfast (ask for university rate). Deadline for reservation is 8 September 2006

Location: 2 minutes Taxi from the railway station (1 km). 5 minutes walk to the city center.

Address: Cygne d'argent, 49 rue Beeckman, 4000 Liege, BELGIUM

Tel: 32-4-223 7001 , Fax : 32-4-222 4966

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2) How to travel from Brussels airport or Brussels Railway station

Liège is a thousand-year-old city with a historical centre and numerous monuments, churches and museums.

Liège is located one hundred kilometres of Brussels.

a) By train from Brussels Airport (about 1.5 to 2 hours)

For time table, please check <http://www.b-rail.be/main/E/index.php> .

By a ticket at the train station which is at the lowest level of the airport arrival terminal (please follow the sign). It costs about 12 euros

There are train for Brussels Airport to "Brussels Nord Station" or to LEUVEN station (a departure each 20 min, usually less). It takes 20 min ride

Then take a train to Liege Guillemins (about 1 hour from Leuven and 1h20 from Brussels)

Then take a taxi to your hotel or to the university (about 10-12 Euro)

b) By train from Brussels Railway Station (about 1.5 hours)

There are many trains for "Brussels Nord" or "Brussels Midi (TGV station- Thalys and Eurostar)" to Liege Guillemins (2 departures per hour)

By a ticket at the train station (about 12 euros)

For time table, please check <http://www.b-rail.be/main/E/index.php> .

Then take a taxi to your hotel or to the university (about 10-12 Euro)

c) By "Low cost taxi" from Brussels airport (about 1 hour)

Cost: Brussels- Liege: 63 Euro (one way) for 1 to 3 persons

Contact us to book the "Navette Luxe Airport" or contact directly the company :

Tel: + 32 0495 481 684, Mr. DUMOULIN), Fax : + 32 4 367 66 44

Ordinary taxi will charge you more than 120 Euro !!

d) By Car

Maps from the university are available at

<http://www.ulg.ac.be/acces/plans/zonenord.html> (only in French - sorry)

<http://www.ulg.ac.be/foreign/access.html>

On the Highway, please follow "ULG- Sart Tilman Campus" (and not Val Benoit or XX Aout).

3) Locations of meetings

The meeting locations will be:

- University of LIEGE,
Campus of SART-TILMAN
- Building B37 (Mathematic), parking B32 and B52
- Building B28 (Montefiore), Parking B32 and B52

These 2 buildings are in front of the B52 Building – ANAST Dept.

- On 2 October : IMPROVE - Meeting room 1/55 (floor 1, room 55), Building B37 (Mathematic),
- On 3 October : IMPROVE - Meeting room 1/55 (floor 1, room 55), Building B37 (Mathematic),
- On 3 October : CAREMAR - MIPS Room (Room R11.a, Ground Floor, in front of the main entrance of the Montefiore Building, Building B28 – Parking P32)
 - see info <http://www.montefiore.ulg.ac.be/location.php>
- On 4 October: WORKSHOP - Auditorium S39 (room -1/39 ,level -1) - Building B37 (Mathematic)
- On 4 October: ASIA-LINK - Meeting room 0/55 (ground floor, room 55), B37 (Mathematic),
- On 5 October : WEGEMT- Meeting room 1/55 (floor 1, room 55), Building B37 (Mathematic),

In case of problem (i.e. you are lost,), contact ANAST secretariat :
+ 32 4 366 9227 or 9629 or 9341

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<http://www.ulg.ac.be/foreign/access.html> (in English)

4) Contact at the University of Liege

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How to reach Liège (City centre)?

By air Travellers arrive at Brussels National Airport (Zaventem) (<http://www.brusselsairport.be/>). Shuttle trains (Airport City Express) operate every 20 minutes between the airport and several stations of Brussels. It is better to get off this train at the North Station of Brussels (approximately 15 minutes). From the North Station of Brussels, direct trains to Liège (Guillemins station) can be taken every hour, at least from 6:00 to 24:00. The journey lasts approximately 1 hour. If you prefer renting a car, the most important car rental companies have an office in the Airport building at the exit of the luggage reclaim hall.

By train a lot of international trains are going to Liège (Guillemins station) (<http://www.belrail.be/>).

By road Liège is directly linked to the European motorway network through several motorways: from Brussels (E40), from Paris (E42), from Antwerp (E313), from Aachen (E40) or from Maastricht (E25).

How to reach the Sart-Tilman campus from Liège?

The Sart-Tilman campus (780 hectares) is located 7 kilometres south of Liège in a leafy setting.

By taxi A taxi from the city centre to the University campus will cost you approximately 10€. It takes approximately 15 minutes to reach the campus depending on traffic.

By bus From Liège Guillemins Station, you can take bus 48. It takes approximately 30 minutes to reach the campus depending on traffic. Get off at the stop point "Ateliers" (Institut Montefiore - Parking 32).

By car Follow direction to 'Marche' (N680) ; join N680 after 2km ; drive on N680 to 'Marche' for 3km ; at the end of the slope, at round-about, turn second right and continue N680 ; turn at the next right to 'Université de Liège' and at the round-about turn first right ; after 500m, turn right to parking P32.

How to reach Sart-Tilman campus by road ?

When you are approaching Liège, the best way to reach the University Campus is to follow the sign *Université de Liège - SART TILMAN*. There are other small campuses in other places and administrative buildings in city centre. So remember that the Institut d'Electricité Montefiore is located on the Sart Tilman campus.

From Brussels, Brussels Airport (Zaventem), Leuven : Freeway E40 to 'Luik' (=Liège) for about 80km ; at E40 x E42 junction in 'Loncin' follow 'Namur' (E42) for 3km ; exit n°2 onto A604 to 'Seraing' ; after 5km on A604 exit n°4 to 'Liège-Jemeppe' ; at traffic lights turn left to 'Liège' (N617) ; drive on N617 along the river 'Meuse' for 3km ; cross the river at 'Pont d'Ougrée' and continue on N63 to 'Marche' ; after 3km exit onto N680 to 'Angleur, Sart-Tilman' (270°-turn) ; after 500m turn right to 'Université de Liège' and at the round-about turn first right ; after 500m, turn right to parking P32.

From Maastricht (NL, 30km) : Freeway A2/E25 to 'Luik' (=Liège) ; when freeway ends follow 'Ardennes driving along the river through Liège for 4km ; after the road crosses the river (90° left turn) turn right to 'Marche' (N680) ; join N680 after 2km (Esso gas station after the railway bridge) ; drive on N680 to 'Marche' for 3km ; at the end of the slope, at round-about, turn second right and continue N680 ; turn at the next right to 'Université de Liège' and at the round-about turn first right ; after 500m, turn right to parking P32.

From Aachen (D, 45km) : Freeway A44/540 to 'Lüttich' (=Liège) exit onto E25 to 'Liège' then same route as from Maastricht.

From Paris (400km), Valenciennes (150km), Mons (130km), Charleroi (100km), Namur (60km) : Freeway A2/E19/E42 to 'Liège', on E42 exit n°2 onto A604 to 'Seraing'; after 5km on A604 exit n°4 to 'Liège-Jemeppe', at traffic lights turn left to 'Liège' (N617) ; drive on N617 along the river 'Meuse' for 3km ; cross the river at 'Pont d'Ougrée' and continue on N63 to 'Marche'; after 3km exit onto N680 to 'Angleur, Sart-Tilman' (270°-turn) ; after 500m turn right to 'Université de Liège' and at the round-about turn first right ; after 500m, turn right to parking P32.

From Antwerp (130km), Hasselt (50km) : Freeway A13 to 'Luik' (=Liège) ; at E40 junction in 'Vottem' follow 'Namur' (E42) ; after E40 x E42 junction in 'Loncin' exit n°2 onto A604 to 'Seraing'; after 5km on A604 exit n°4 to 'Liège-Jemeppe', at traffic lights turn left to 'Liège' (N617) ; drive on N617 along the river 'Meuse' for 3km ; cross the river at 'Pont d'Ougrée' and continue on N63 to 'Marche'; after 3km exit onto N680 to 'Angleur, Sart-Tilman' (270°-turn) ; after 500m turn right to 'Université de Liège' and at the round-about turn first right ; after 500m, turn right to parking P32.

From Luxembourg and Ardennes : Freeway E25 to 'Liège', exit n°40 in 'Embourg', turn left onto the bridge to 'CHU, Université de Liège' ; turn left at traffic lights to 'Tilff' for 3km ; turn right to 'CHU, Université de Liège' ; at first round-about ('CHU') follow 'Angleur, Parc scientifique' ; turn on left on the second road on the left, follow P32 ; cross the road and enter in parking P32.