



# **EPR Public Affairs Event 'Building Better Services: Improving Assistance and Support for People with Disabilities in Europe'**

**Rue du Méridien 10 - Brussels, Belgium**

**25th November 2024**

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## **TRAVEL PACK**



# ABOUT BRUSSELS

Classified as the 2nd most cosmopolitan city in the world, Brussels is not only the capital of Belgium, Brussels is the de facto **capital of the European Union**, as it hosts a number of principal EU institutions, including its administrative-legislative, executive-political, and legislative branches.

With its superb architecture, its museums and its monuments (several of which are classified by Unesco), Brussels is entitled as capital of the **Art Nouveau 2023**. There are almost a thousand Art Nouveau buildings in Brussels. Every street corner reveals splendid façades which often hide idyllic interiors... here you can find some of these emblematic locations!

Brussels is well known for its local waffle, its chocolate, its French fries, its numerous types of beers and much more!

To discover more: <https://www.visit.brussels/en/visitors>



# HOW TO GET TO BRUSSELS



## BRUSSELS ZAVENTEM AIRPORT

The Brussels airport is well connected to the city centre. You can find information about the airport and the flight connections (in English, Flemish or French) on the airport website:

<https://www.brusselsairport.be/en/passengers>

To get to the city center (station Gare Centrale), you can take the airport train, and it takes about 20 minutes. The airport train station is located below the terminal (basement level -1).

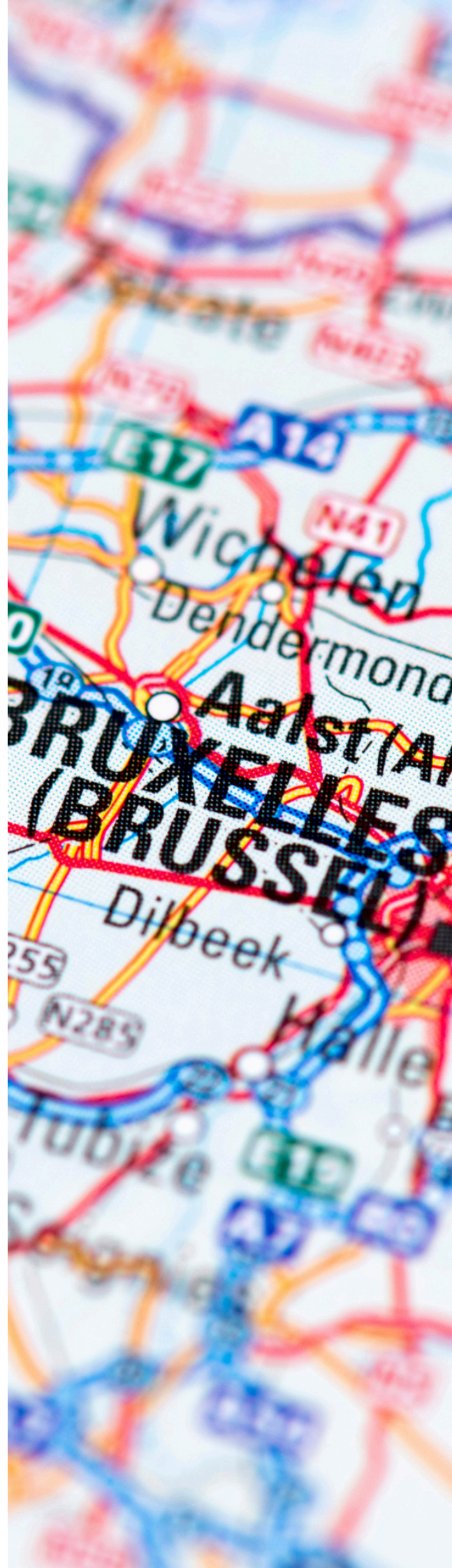
To get to the EU Quarter, you can either take the airport train or the bus 12, and it takes about 40 minutes.

Up to 4 trains an hour connect the airport to Brussels North, Brussels Central and Brussels Midi stations. A single ticket costs € 10.80.



## BY TAXI

Taxis with a taximeter are permanently available in front of the arrivals hall. The fare from the airport to the city centre of Brussels is normally around €50.00. Licensed taxis can be recognised by the black and yellow emblem. A word of advice: avoid unlicensed taxis.





## BY BUS

Airport Line Bus 12 runs every day and provides a connection to the European Quarter and the city centre from morning until evening. The Airport Line provides a connection with the metro at Schuman (lines 1-5) and Trône (lines 2-6).

### **How to buy a ticket?**

You can buy a MOBIB card or single paper ticket at a GO machine located at the bus stop, or directly pay on the bus via contactless payment. More information, fares and timetables are available on the STIB website or the STIB phone app, which provides real time information.

To get to your booked hotel, please consult the STIB website or any navigation application that will show you the transport to use to get to the place indicated.



## CHARLEROI AIRPORT

Charleroi Airport is situated 55 kilometers south of Brussels, in Charleroi.

The company Flibco has a shuttle bus service that connects Charleroi Airport and Brussels, leaving the airport every 20 minutes. The journey takes one hour and the bus stops in Bruxelles-Midi (Brussels-South railway station, in rue de France).

If you buy the ticket online, it costs € 18.50 per journey. The link to book online is:

<https://www.flibco.com/en>.

Once you are at Bruxelles-Midi, you can connect to the metro lines 2 and 6.

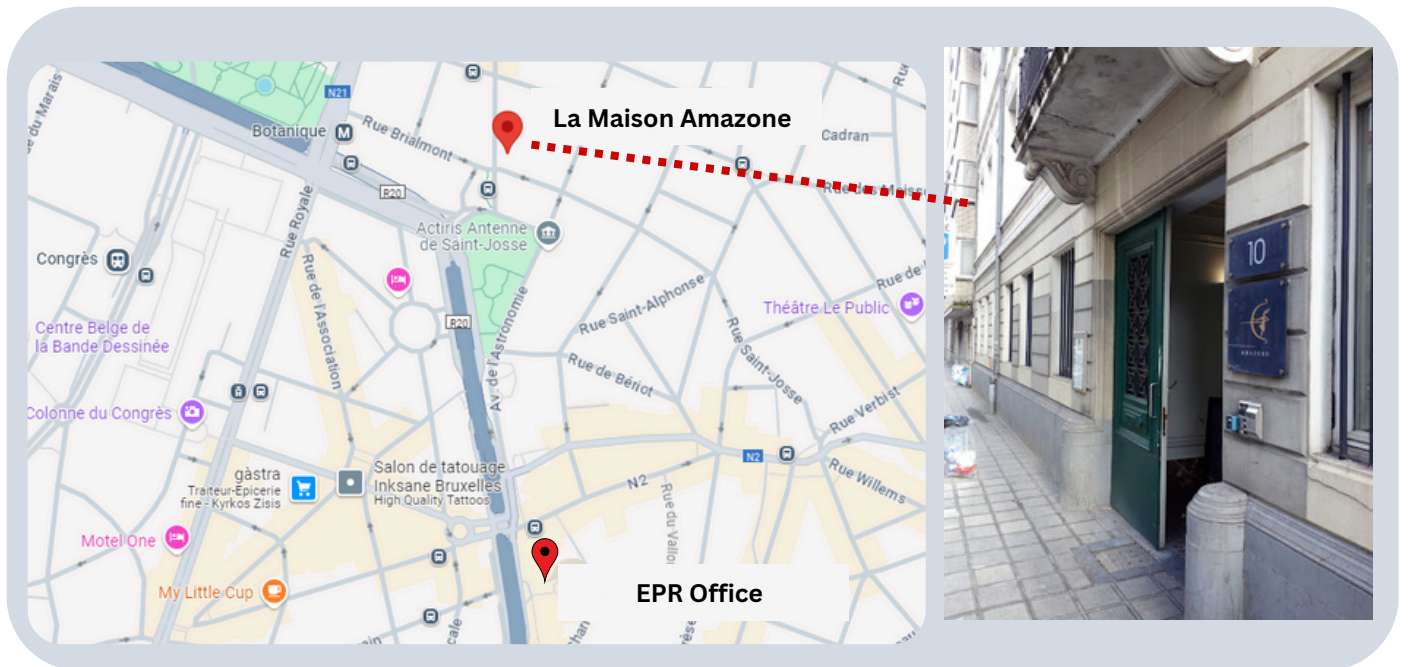
If you take the shuttle bus back to Charleroi Airport, we suggest arriving at least 15 minutes before the departure of the bus as there is normally a queue and buses fill quickly.



# THE VENUE

The EPR Public Affairs event will take place in:

- La Maison Amazone, Rue du Méridien 10 - room Salle Marie Popelin (ground floor). *For reference, it is about an 8 minute walk from the EPR Office.*



# ACCOMODATION

Various hotel options are available in the area. We recommend to book in one of the following hotels, which are located in or around the centre of Brussels and allow **easy access to La Maison Amazone** by walking.

## **THE HOXTON HOTEL**

10 min

## **BEST WESTERN CITY CENTRE**

10 min

## **HOTEL DU CONGRÈS**

9 min

## **ADAGIO ACCESS BRUXELLES EUROPE**

21 min

## **MOTEL ONE**

12 min

## **GUESTHOUSE MARIE THERESE**

13 min

## **SMARTFLATS DESIGN - EU COMMISSION**

10 min



# BRUSSELS METRO

Closest metro stop to **La Maison Amazone**:

- Botanique (lines 2 and 6), 4 min walk





# LOOKING FORWARD TO MEETING YOU IN BRUSSELS!

**IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE FOR YOUR TRIP,  
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