



GO INTERNATIONAL

Official Mission to Belgium
Brussels, Ghent, Liège

16-18 April 2024



OFFICIAL MISSION TO BELGIUM

The Chamber of Commerce recommends you to travel to Belgium by bus. Bus transfers are organized according to the programme. Participants may, however, opt for traveling on their own. Kindly note that each participant is personally responsible for traveling arrangements.

April 16th, 2024

At 13.45 - Departure by bus from the Luxembourg Chamber of Commerce (7 Rue Alcide de Gasperi, 1615 Kirchberg Luxembourg) to the MIX Hotel Brussels (Boulevard du Souverain 25, B-1170 Bruxelles).

For your convenience, if you would like to travel by bus, parking slots will be available at LUXEXPO and you should have informed us accordingly.

April 17th, 2024

At 7.30 am – Transfer by bus from the MIX Hotel Brussels (Boulevard du Souverain 25, B-1170 Bruxelles) to the Egmont Palace (Pl. du Petit Sablon 8 bis, 1000 Bruxelles, Belgium);

or at 9.00 am (for cybersecurity and defense clusters) - Transfer by bus from the MIX Hotel Brussels to IMEC.

For the Official Reception, kindly note that the buses will be leaving from the MIX Hotel Brussels (Boulevard du Souverain 25, B-1170 Bruxelles) to Flagey (Place Sainte Croix 1050 Ixelles) at 18.15 and will bring the delegation back from Flagey to the MIX Hotel Brussels at 21.30.

April 18th, 2024

At 9.00 am - Transfer by bus from the MIX Hotel Brussels (Boulevard du Souverain 25, B-1170 Bruxelles) back to Luxembourg;

or at 9.00 am - Transfer by bus to Liège for the Joint Seminar “Security and Defense challenges in and from Space” and at 17.00 – Transfer from Liège back to Luxembourg.

16 April 2024

- 14:00** **Departure by bus to Brussels**
*Meeting point: Luxembourg Chamber of Commerce,
7 Rue Alcide de Gasperi, 1615 Kirchberg Luxembourg*
- 17.00** **Check-in at the Hotel MIX Brussels**
Venue: MIX Brussels, Boulevard du Souverain 25, B-1170 Bruxelles
- 18:00** **Welcome reception for the business delegation and the presentation of the business programme**
Venue: MIX Brussels, Boulevard du Souverain 25, B-1170 Bruxelles

17 April 2024

BUSINESS FORUM

- 8:00** **Registration and welcome coffee**
Venue: Palais d'Egmont, Place du Petit Sablon 8, B-1000 Bruxelles
- 9:00** **Thriving Connections: Belgian-Luxembourg Economic Relations**
Official opening of the Business Forum
- 9:45** **Coffee break**
*Followed by 3 parallel break-out sessions
Venue: Palais d'Egmont, Place du Petit Sablon 8, B-1000 Bruxelles*

3 PARALLEL BREAK-OUT SESSIONS

- 10:00-12:30** **Data driven innovations for disease prevention and care, creating opportunities for cross-border cooperation**
Presentation of key health data related strategies and initiatives in place in Luxembourg and Belgium. Participants will be invited to explore bilateral health data-driven scientific, technological and/or innovation cooperation opportunities and consider the interplay between patients, clinicians, researchers, companies and policymakers to make the EU Health Data Strategy a reality.
- 10:00-12:30** **Innovative and circular construction**
This seminar will highlight the trends and innovations in circular economy within the construction industry through 12 pitches on Ecodesign / Product Circularity Data Sheet / BIM; Deconstruction / Urban mining; Innovation and biobased materials as well as the Q&A session.

12:30-14:00 **Networking lunch**
Venue: Palais d'Egmont, Place du Petit Sablon 8, B-1000 Bruxelles

SIDE VISITS

1/ RENEWABLE ENERGY

10:15 **Departure by bus to Gent**

12 :00 **Visit and Networking lunch at Ghent North Sea Port (upon invitation)**
Venue: Ghent Rigakaai 1, 9000 Ghent

15 :15 **Return by bus to MIX Hotel**

2/ CIRCULAR ECONOMY

15:00 **Visit of Tour & Taxi**
This event will be the presentation of interesting and transnational lighthouse projects of sustainable and circular construction as well as a visit to the urban flagship project Gare Maritime in the city centre of Brussels - an historic and urban building renovation through the integration of pavilions in innovative timber construction.

Venue: Rue Picard 11, 1000 Brussels

3/ CYBER & DEFENCE

10:00 **Visit [IMEC](#) – focus Cyber/Defense ***
*participation subject to the approval of the organisers as the number of participants in the visit is limited. If you are part of this visit, you should have received a confirmation.

Venue: Wetenschapspark Gaston Geenslaan 14, 3001 Leuven

12:30 **Welcome & Networking Lunch**
Venue: Louvain-la-Neuve at UC Louvain

14:00-17.00 **Seminar “Connected land systems (including drones) MATERIALS , DIGITAL AND CYBER”**
The seminar will include keynotes on strategic cyber and defence orientations of Luxembourg and Belgium applied to the Land domain and will address 3 BE-LU industry workshops where organisations will have the opportunity to pitch:

Workshop 1 – Novel Materials: "Increasing resilience and sustainability in the land domain "

Workshop 2 – Digital: "Digitalisation and connectivity for more resilient operational capabilities"

Workshop 3 – Cyber: "Capacity Building: Cyber-resilience and attack mitigation"

Venue: Louvain-la-Neuve (organised in partnership with AGORIA/BSDI and UCLouvain)

4/ SEMINAR TOURISM

11:30

Welcome of participants

12:00-14:15

"Inspiring travel experiences in Luxembourg"

Format : Presentation of Luxembourg as a tourist destination and networking lunch for the Belgian and Luxembourg hospitality industry

Location: Restaurant Les Petits Oignons, Rue de la régence 25, B-1000 Bruxelles

OFFICIAL RECEPTION

19:00

Official reception at Flagey (upon invitation)

Venue: Place Sainte Croix, 1050 Ixelles

Dress code: Black-tie

18:15 Departure by bus from Mix Hotel Brussels

19:00 Concert followed by a networking reception

21:30 Departure by bus to Mix Hotel Brussels

18 April 2024

9:00 **Departure by bus back to Luxembourg**
Meeting point: MIX Brussels, Boulevard du Souverain 25, B-1170 Bruxelles

PROGRAMME FOR COMPANIES FROM CYBER, SPACE AND DEFENSE SECTORS

9:00 **Departure by bus to Liège**

9:45 **Registration**
Venue: Salle des Professeurs, 1st Floor, Université de Liège, Place du 20 Août, Liège

10:10 **Networking coffee**
Venue: Salle des Professeurs, 1st Floor, Université de Liège, Place du 20 Août, Liège

11:15 **Security and Defense challenges in and from Space - Strengthening bonds between Belgium and Luxembourg**
Venue: Salle académique, Université de Liège, Place du 20 Août, Liège

12:40 **Networking lunch**
*Venue: La Grande Poste,
Quai Sur - Meuse 19, 4000 Liège, Belgium*

3 PARALLEL BREAK-OUT SESSIONS

14:00-17:00 **Workshop 1: Strategic foresight – Earth observation**
*Venue: La Grande Poste,
Quai Sur - Meuse 19, 4000 Liège, Belgium*

14:00-17:00 **Workshop 2: Secure communication**
*Venue: Université de Liège, salle des Professeurs
Pl. du Vingt Août 7, 4000 Liège, Belgium*

14:00-17:00 **Workshop 3: Protection of critical space assets**
*Venue: Université de Liège, salle académique
Pl. du Vingt Août 7, 4000 Liège, Belgium*

17:00 **Return by bus to the Luxembourg Chamber of Commerce**
Estimated time of arrival 19:00