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Mayor Henri Lenferink
on congress city Leiden

Leiden has a long-standing tradition of freedom and hospitality. Through the centuries, the city has provided a haven for many to work and live in safety. Leiden has always cherished freedom. This was already the case long before the Spanish occupation and is also evident in the resistance to that occupation. Leiden’s motto “Haec libertatis ergo” (“This for the sake of liberty”), that stems from the beginning of the Eighty Years’ War when it was printed on the emergency currency, makes clear what Leiden is really about. These unique roots can still be felt in the city’s culture today.

In the past, the English Pilgrims, the Huguenots, the Flemish and Walloons all found sanctuary in Leiden. More recently, many refugees from Syria have made Leiden their home. It is how the city practices what it boasts in its anthem: “Welcome in all times were those who fled to find fortitude.”

Leiden University, a gift to the city in 1575 from William of Orange, takes pride in the motto “bastion of
its core mission is to safeguard freedom and the freedom of expression within the scientific debate. Consequently, freethinkers and free spirits will always be welcome at Leiden University.

In recent years, Leiden has continued to evolve as an international congress city. Scientists from across the globe make Leiden their temporary home during the many international congresses held in the city. Leiden is proud to host these international guests and in doing so to contribute the furthering of international academic collaboration and the progress of science.

The city of Leiden is keen to invite congress organisers to come and experience our hospitality.

You are most welcome in Leiden!

Mayor Henri Lenferink
Leiden – in the global vanguard of science
Since the founding of its university in 1575, Leiden has been at the international forefront of both fundamental and applied science. Today, Leiden University occupies a leading position in the humanities as well as law, languages and a wide range of research in medicine, exact sciences and archeology. Leiden demonstrates this to the world: more and more reputable international congresses choose Leiden as their platform for knowledge-sharing and discussion.

Dare to be different
Through the centuries, Leiden has consistently dared to be different, sometimes at a price. During the Spanish Siege of Leiden, the city sided with Prince William of Orange, who rewarded it for its courage and loyalty by founding Leiden University. Its proud motto is still: Libertatis Praesidium or Bastion of freedom.

Scientists and students from all over the world came and come to the city to work and study. Leiden University has produced many breakthroughs: 17th century patient-oriented medical research and education by Sylvius and Boerhaave rose to great international fame. At the turn of the 20th century, new successes followed: Heike Kamerlingh Onnes discovered superconductivity and Willem Einthoven introduced the electrocardiograph. Albert Einstein, appointed as extraordinary professor in Leiden, collaborated here with Lorentz and De Sitter. Sixteen Nobel Prize winners were connected to Leiden University. Leiden continues to be in the vanguard: the Spinoza Prize, The Netherlands’ highest academic distinction, was awarded 92 times among 9 Dutch universities, 22 of the recipients being Leiden scholars.

Leiden Bio Science Park – largest concentration of life sciences
Leiden Bio Science Park harbours the Netherlands’ largest concentration of life science research, education and business, as well as being one of the five most successful science parks in Europe. It is home to organisations such as Leiden University Medical Centre, the Leiden Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Science, Top Institute Pharma, TNO (Netherlands Organisation for Applied Scientific Research), Naturalis Biodiversity Center and over a hundred companies specialised in medical life sciences, varying from large international players to start-ups.

Leiden Bio Science Park is not just a collection of separate organisations. The synergy between the research institutes and companies, between companies mutually and the patients care guarantees an outcome far stronger than the sum of the parts involved. This concept becomes tangible in the so-called Leidse Loper, in which all steps from research, development, testing, safety, manufacture, introduction and ultimately the prescription process can be physically followed at the Leiden Bio Science Park from one participant to the next. This has resulted in globally prescribed medications that improve the lives of patients, heal illnesses and prevent or combat life-threatening diseases.

153 life science & health organisations are located there, as well as 103 biomedical companies. These include large European and world players like Hal Allergy, Astellas, Janssen Biologics, The Farming Group etc. and companies with a Dutch background such as Galapagos, where new high-profile medicines were developed in recent years. The Netherlands Institute for Space Research SRON has also opted to move to Leiden Bio Science Park in 2021 because of its collaboration with the universities of Leiden and Delft.
Leiden stands from a Roman fortress to the inspiring academic city of today is no coincidence. The Leiden Continuum is a chain of events in which one development gives rise to the next one.

Freedom of thought was and still is dominant in Leiden’s DNA. The year 1575 marks the first milestone with the founding of the city’s university as the “guardian of (academic) freedom”. This freedom of thought is evident through the centuries. Leiden welcomed religious and economic refugees from other countries with open arms. The city invested in attracting top scientists from all corners of the world and stimulated the development of art and culture.

The academic, cultural and international climate this generated is reflected in today’s Leiden - City of Discoveries. Leiden Bio Science Park, Leiden University Medical Center and Naturalis Biodiversity Center are proof of this climate, as are the (art) collections of world renown in Leiden’s four national museums and
Leiden is at the forefront of culture: Rembrandt is Leiden’s most famous son. Born and raised in Leiden, he laid the foundations for his stellar fame here. The ‘Leiden genre painters, including Gerrit Dou’ and Frans van Mieris, developed their special techniques here and made them famous. Rembrandt’s co-pupil Jan Steen still entertains the world today through his humorous view on life. In 1917, De Stijl was founded in Leiden, generating an influential movement in art.

Leiden was and is an academic incubator. Although growing the first Dutch tulip may be a more popular image, the Hortus botanicus was founded in 1590 as the medicinal herb garden of Leiden University and played a part in the development of the Faculty of Medicine, which translates into today’s LUMC Leiden University Medical Centre, Leiden Bio Science Park and Naturalis Biodiversity Center. In the 17th century, Leiden attracted distinguished scholars and its university was internationally renowned. The 20th century saw Nobel Prizes in Physics and Medicine for Leiden scholars such as Lorentz, Kamerlingh Onnes and Einthoven. In addition, Albert Einstein was an extraordinary professor at Leiden University.

Today, Leiden University is still characterised by an open academic climate and attracts scientists from all over the world. Inspiring future generations of scientists is an important goal. Fittingly, Leiden is chosen to be European City of Science in 2022 and throughout that year the city will organise activities and events aimed at building bridges between scientists from different disciplines, science and society as well as science and politics.
7 Faculties

Faculty of Medicine – part of LUMC
At the end of the 20th century, the Leiden Faculty of Medicine merged with the Academic Hospital Leiden to become the current Leiden University Medical Center (LUMC). The LUMC is a world leader in research, education and patient care. The strong scientific focus and unique research that ranges from fundamental medical research to applied clinical research make the LUMC one of the top medical centres in the world today.

Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Science
Leiden’s leading Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Science is a dynamic international environment in which personal and academic development is highly valued. Curiosity is the motive for expanding fundamental knowledge and looking beyond boundaries. This applies to science as well as the goal of contributing to solutions to tomorrow’s challenges.

Law
Eversince the founding of the university in 1575, Leiden Law School has played a prominent role. Great legal scholars like Hugo de Groot and Justus Lipsius studied and worked there. In more recent times, members of the Dutch royal family did as well, like Queens Juliana and Beatrix and Prince Constantijn. With its international orientation and roots deep inside the Dutch legal system, the faculty has schooled many generations of legal experts who have served in key positions. Leiden Law School occupies a top position in the world.

Archeology
Leiden’s archeological tradition has a long history; over 200 years ago, Caspar Reuvers was first to be appointed professor of archeology in the Netherlands and in the world. He laid the foundation for both the National Museum of Antiquities and the Faculty of Archeology of Leiden University. With its broad array of research techniques, the faculty is one of the main archeological institutes in the world.

Arts and Humanities
The worldwide expertise, international focus and synergy of scientific approaches of the Faculty of Arts and Humanities at Leiden University offer windows on the fast-globalising world. They provide insights needed to understand and interpret the massive changes underway. The faculty boasts a global reputation, especially in the fields of education, research and international orientation.

Social Sciences
Leiden University’s Faculty of Social and Behavioural Sciences is an international centre for social-scientific research and education, with a strong connection to society. Recent important awards for international groundbreaking research bear witness to this, such as research into the adolescent brain (Eveline Crone, Spinoza Prize) and the Placebo effects (Andrea Evers, Stevin Prize). The NWO-Spinoza Prize and the NWO-Stevin Prize are the highest Dutch awards in science.

Governance and Global Affairs
This faculty of Leiden University is located in The Hague, the international city of Peace and Justice.
Leiden is proud to be known as a city of knowledge – its reputation reaches far beyond the national borders. At the same time, the global competition regarding performance claims has not passed by the domain of knowledge and skills either. Being seen and heard as a world player is important.

In 2014, the municipality of Leiden, Leiden University, Leiden University Medical Center, Leiden Convention Bureau and the Leiden hospitality sector joined forces in order to get the word out on Leiden’s excellent achievements. This marked the beginning of the Leiden Ambassadors Network, which rapidly became a success, boasting over 120 ambassadors in 2020.

The congress ambassadors are mostly from Leiden or connected to the city and are known for special achievements, deeds or insights. They are keen to advertise the city’s strengths and support and affirm the identity of Leiden as a The City of Knowledge. They do this in part by inviting international congresses within their respective fields or networks to choose Leiden for their next event. They do this with much passion, judging by the impressive results of their efforts.

Leiden has become the destination for a host of leading congresses on a wide range of subjects. The participants all have one thing in common: they have all become charmed by Leiden as a congress city because of its outstanding level of knowledge, the beautiful historic city centre, the welcoming attitude of the people and the excellent accessibility. It is what makes Leiden a first class congress destination for them.
There are many advantages to organising a congress in Leiden. The Leiden knowledge sector can present itself within its own respective field of expertise. A congress is an effective way of building contacts and networks with international colleagues, especially for young people in the early stages of their career. Also, a conference is a perfect platform to highlight a particular milestone or celebration.

Leiden Convention Bureau supports the ambassadors in practical ways, like providing information about Leiden and the Netherlands as a congress destination. In addition, it can be an effective liaison in contact with many relevant organisations and support in the acquisition process with custom-made bidbooks, presentations and brochures. The bureau also organises site inspection trips, so delegates of a selection committee can experience for themselves what makes Leiden a suitable choice.
Leiden Convention Bureau (LCB), part of Leiden Marketing, is tasked with promoting the city of Leiden as a destination for international congresses and business meetings.

LCB is your objective partner in Leiden and works free of charge for your congress or business event.

Our free services include:

- Advice on congress venues
- Advice on hotel accommodation
- Advice on Professional Congress Organiser (PCO)
- Advice on Social Programming
- Organisation of site visits
- Drawing up and producing your bidbook
- Promotion materials
- Use of our image library

The LCB team is keen to work with you to make your meeting an unforgettable success!
### A selection of Leiden’s congresses 2018 - 2023

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"We worked together with Leiden Convention Bureau for the organisation of our international conference (ESCAN 2018) at LUMC in Leiden, July 2018. They were most helpful during the preparations and assisted us in finding locations for the opening reception and dinner. Through their network, they put us in touch with the right people and organisations to make the congress a successful one."

Dr. Z. Sjoerds, Faculty of Social and Behavioural Sciences
Footprint
The ecological footprint of congress and meeting participants is determined to a considerable degree by accessibility, the congress destination, the venue, catering and accommodation. Because of its favourable location, both nationally and internationally, Leiden has the edge.

Public transport
Leiden has one of the larger railway stations in the Netherlands with very frequent connections to the main cities and through these, to all parts of the country and to international high speed rails going east and south.
The city buses are electric and transport company Arriva offers a savings plan in which, together with travellers, money is set aside for the planting of new trees.

Car
Will the (electric) car be your mode of transport? Leiden is located between the A4 and A44 motorways. There is ample parking on the edges of the city and free electric shuttles are available to transport visitors to and from any desired location.
In addition to charging stations for electric cars, there are bicycles, electric scooters and cars for rent. Beside the charging stations offered at the parking locations, the city also provides a considerable number of public charging stations.

Walking and bicycling
The scale and compact layout of Leiden’s city centre mean almost any location is within walking distance. Bicycles can be rented from many locations.

Green Key
The majority of Leiden companies have a so-called Green Key label. Green Key is a leading, global environmental certification group. Reduction of energy use, waste, emissions and operational costs are monitored. In addition, programmes are provided to promote involvement by personnel, clients and surrounding parties.

Catering
The Leiden caterers have embraced the principles of sustainability. At some congresses, vegetarian meals are the standard and meat or fish is offered as an option. Waste is limited to a minimum and only local or Fair Trade ingredients are used. The result? Mouth-watering meals, surprising and locally grown.
Accessibility

Leiden: Everything nearby!
Travel times to the airport, distances to congress locations, the university, the historic city centre, the canals, hotels and restaurants, cultural icons, main cities of the Netherlands, the tulip fields and even the sea: in Leiden, everything is nearby.

International - national
The Netherlands is widely considered to be one of the most easily accessible countries in Europe. Within the country, Leiden has a particularly favourable location. Amsterdam Airport Schiphol is just 15 minutes away by train and Leiden Central Station is one of the ten largest train stations in the Netherlands, with connections to high-speed rail to the south (including the UK) and east. The city is located between the A4 and A44 motorways, with connections to all international motorways on the European mainland and to the United Kingdom via North Sea ferry.

Compact - local
Leiden is compact; in the city centre, almost all locations are within comfortable walking distance and bicycles are for rent in all shapes and sizes. An efficient network of (electric) buses provides transportation to all parts of the city and region. Groups often like to travel by boat on the canals of Leiden. Free shuttle buses will take visitors from the large car parks on the city’s perimeter to and from wherever they want to go in the centre.

Direct and efficient
Thanks to a worldwide network of 300+ direct destinations and the many low cost carriers available, Amsterdam Airport Schiphol offers efficient and affordable accessibility options. The Flixbus, popular with students as well, connects Leiden to over 1,000 European cities.

Facts
Amsterdam Airport Schiphol
- Gateway to Europe
- Award-winning airport
- 15 minutes by train to Leiden Central Station
- 106 airlines
- 300+ international destinations
- Excellent transfer connections
Leidse Schouwburg
Rembrandt
Museum Volkenkunde
CORPUS 'Journey through the human body'
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Culture

Leiden, City of Discoveries

Leiden is endowed with a rich cultural heritage as well as famous sons and daughters. Much of its treasure has been well-preserved and still enchants today’s visitors to the city. Virtually all of it is within comfortable walking distance.

Leiden’s time to flourish was during the Dutch Golden Age. The picturesque city centre is still ringed by historic canals with impressive city mansions. The monumental Hooglandse Kerk (± 1315) and Pieterskerk (± 1100) churches are even older, surrounded by a maze of narrow medieval streets. The hidden courtyards and gable stones still betray the trades of the original occupants. Today, many of the old houses are restaurants, bars, galleries, design studios, bookstores, vintage shops or boutiques. The Leiden’s Burcht, located at the intersection of two branches of the river Rhine, offers spectacular views of the city.

The four national museums and the nine other museums make Leiden the Netherlands’ third museum city, after Amsterdam and The Hague. Their collections are varied and often unique in the world.

Many of Holland’s master painters had strong Leiden connections, such as Rembrandt, who was born and educated here. Other famous Leiden painters, including Gerard Dou, Frans van Mieris, Lucas van Leyden and Jan van Goyen, worked in Leiden.

The Pilgrims too play a part in Leiden’s history. Fleeing from religious persecution in England, they were welcomed in Leiden where they stayed for 12 years before crossing the Atlantic to America on the Mayflower. They are the ancestors of the United States’ Founding Fathers.

A wealth of theatre, dance and music can be enjoyed in impressive venues, like the Leidse Schouwburg, the oldest theatre of the Netherlands. Its bonbonnière shape, traditional red plush, chandeliers and golden ornaments keep its historic 1705 ambiance alive today. The 19th century Stadsgehoorzaal is a fine concert hall in addition to being an important venue for lectures and congresses.
Region

Icons
Holland has its well-known icons: flower bulb fields, windmills, cows, picturesque villages, cheese farms, endless sandy beaches, dunes and lakes. The Leiden region has them all. Even Amsterdam, The Hague and Rotterdam are within a 35 kilometre radius.

Leiden by the sea
At just 12 kilometres from Leiden, you will find the North Sea beaches and magnificent dunes that seem to go on forever. The towns of Noordwijk and Katwijk have their own lively beach and surf scene with many restaurants, cafes and other attractions. In winter too, there is plenty to do.

Floral beauty
Leiden is located on the edge of the so-called ‘Bollenstreek’, an area of flower bulb fields that attracts large numbers of people from all over the world each spring. De Keukenhof, a large park of 32 hectares, bundles all that floral beauty in an ever-changing symphony of colours and fragrances, drawing over 1 million visitors annually. It is open from mid-March to mid-May.

The Green Heart
Holland at its finest: windmills, dikes, farms, green fields and grazing cows. At a stone’s throw from Leiden, the region is like a life-giving green heart, surrounded by the urbanisation of the Randstad area.

Major cities in the Netherlands
Amsterdam is the capital, The Hague is the royal city and the seat of government and Rotterdam is Europe’s largest shipping harbour. Three different cities, three different worlds, all located within a 35 kilometre radius from Leiden. The Hague, home to one of Leiden University’s faculties, is only 20 kilometres away. All three cities are easily accessible by public transportation.
Equadiff 2019

Equadiff is a bi-annual series of European mathematics conferences held since the 1960’s, focused on differential equations. It is regarded as the prime international platform for the exchange of ideas on the developments in this field, that is highly relevant outside mathematics as well. Despite the long-standing tradition in The Netherlands within this particular specialisation, it was the first time the conference was organised here. The combination of plenary presentations and lunches at the Hooglandse Kerk with parallel sessions at the Kamerlingh Onnes building at walking distance worked perfectly. Together with the high quality of the programme, the relaxed atmosphere created in this way was highly beneficial to the scientific interaction between the 500 participants. Equadiff 2019 was a big success, in the words of one of the plenary speakers: ‘Thank you for organising such a wonderful conference. Everything was so smooth, the venues were perfect and the food was great! Please can you do another one soon?’.

Prof. dr. A. Doelman, Mathematics and Natural Science
**Venues**

Leiden offers extraordinary venues for congresses and business events in all varieties and sizes: from luxurious meeting facilities at hotels to beautiful halls in Leiden museums, two gothic churches, the oldest theatre in the Netherlands, the impressive Stadsgehoorzaal, a giant human body or a Leiden University building. In Leiden, congresses for up to 2,500 participants are possible.

There is no other city in the Netherlands where - thanks to 13 museums - culture can so easily be combined with a scientific congress programme or general meeting. Most locations are within walking distance of Leiden Central Station or are close to the A44 motorway. In addition, many locations can be reached via water, lending extra special charm to the programme as delegates travel by boat from their hotel to the venue or from there to the location of a dinner or event.
The Stadsgehoorzaal Leiden is a monumental venue in the heart of historic Leiden. Built in the 19th century as a neo-renaissance concert hall, the Stadsgehoorzaal is highly suitable for large and small congresses and events.

There are several multi-functional spaces for 5 to 1,500 guests under one roof, like the 19th century Grote Zaal (large hall), seating 838, the modern golden Aalmarktzaal (349 seats), the classical Breezaal (250 seats) and various foyers and spaces. The Grote Zaal offers a flexible main floor and seats that can be removed easily. The surrounding corridors are perfect for poster sessions. The Aalmarkt section can also be used as a separate venue with its own entrance. The Stadsgehoorzaal Leiden proudly boasts the Golden Green Key certification.

This unique venue is just a 10 minute walk from the main Leiden Central Station and the Haagweg parking shuttle buses take you there and back in mere minutes.
The Leidse Schouwburg dates back to 1705 and is the oldest theatre in The Netherlands. The main theatre has a classic bonbonnière shape and two balconies, seating a total of 540 visitors. Its refined atmosphere comes alive through the traditional red plush seats, beautiful chandeliers and golden ornaments.

De Leidse Schouwburg provides a stunning backdrop for presentations, shows, congresses or an unforgettable dinner on the stage.

In addition to the theatre hall, there are three rooms available for meetings, receptions, workshops and dinners for up to 75 persons. The ground floor has a large foyer, perfect for intermissions and catering moments.

To accommodate larger meetings, the Leidse Schouwburg can be combined with the Stadsgehoorzaal, located at walking distance. Leiden Central Station is just a 10 minute walk away and there are free shuttle buses from the Haagweg car park that get you there in just a few minutes. The Schouwburg can also be easily reached by boat.

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Pieterskerk Leiden is suitable for any meeting, whether it is a congress, symposium, reception, dinner, party, trade fair, festival or business meeting, from 2 to 2,000 guests. With 3,300 m² of heated floorspace, Pieterskerk Leiden is available for events year round.

In addition to being a truly impressive and authentic venue, Pieterskerk Leiden has its own professional event organisation.

All modern event technology is provided: a feedback-proof sound system, lighting, rigging up to 25 metres, high voltage power and cable ducts. Pieterskerk has preferred catering partners while external catering is available on request.

Since 2013, Pieterskerk offers the adjoining Villa Rameau, a unique Dutch national heritage location. This private city villa boasts three luxuriously appointed floors and a roof terrace. Situated in the very heart of historic Leiden, Villa Rameau is perfect for VIP guests or as a honeymoon suite.

Haagweg car park with its free shuttle buses is just minutes away. Pieterskerk Leiden offers a parking ticket reservation service.
Leiden’s historic city centre is home to the beautiful and impressive Hooglandse Kerk, surrounded by old city mansions and courtyards. It is one of the most magnificent and awe-inspiring churches in the city. Its spacious, historic ambiance will turn any concert, congress or intimate dinner into a memorable event. With some 2,800 m² of floor space, the church seats 1,500 persons. Screens can divide the church into two separate spaces, enabling parallel sessions.

Hooglandse Kerk also offers a fully facilitated complex of meeting rooms, Het Hooglandse Huys. These three rooms (45 – 65 guests) as well as the Burchtzaal on the north-western side of the church, can be used as breakout rooms.

The Hooglandse Kerk offers all modern meeting facilities and is a mere 10 minute walk from Leiden Central Station. De Burcht, Leiden’s oldest and most centrally located monument, is right next door. There are plenty of parking facilities nearby.

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ECC Leiden is the city’s largest congress venue, ideal for events (2,500 guests), medium-sized, multi-day congresses (1,000 guests) and dinners (800 guests) as well as meetings, (product) presentations and trade fairs.

This ‘black box’ of 1,775 m2 by 7 metres high has its own entrance, two bars, a kitchen, 12 emergency exits, 4 service entrances, a mezzanine (431 m2) and two spacious foyers for (VIP) receptions and stands.

ECC Leiden is connected to the adjoining Holiday Inn Leiden, enabling them to offer a complete concept with an additional 14 meeting rooms (10 - 400 guests), 200 hotel rooms and various facilities.

ECC Leiden is close to the A44 motorway, directly opposite the Bio Science Park and easily accessible by car or public transport. Amsterdam Airport Schiphol and The Hague are just 15 minutes away. Amsterdam is 30 minutes and Leiden Central Station a mere 5 minutes away. From Monday through Friday, a shuttle bus connection to the station is operational during rush hours.

ECC Leiden has 400 parking spaces available.
Naturalis is the leading biodiversity expert. Its huge natural history collection of 42 million objects offers researchers a unique perspective on biodiversity in the past, present and future.

The brand new, prize-winning building in the heart of Leiden Bio Science Park opened its doors at the end of 2019. It is the prime meeting place for those eager to discover and learn more about nature. In the museum, you can find out about the earliest life on earth, the Netherlands during the Ice Age and the forces of nature that rule our planet. You can even come eye to eye with T. rex Trix and experience life in the times of the dinosaurs.

The new Naturalis is an inspiring location for businesses to convene surrounded by biodiversity. Naturalis is eager to share its knowledge and passion regarding nature with corporate visitors. Together, the richness of the natural world can be discovered.

Naturalis is well-equipped to make your meeting a successful one. Both formal and informal, large or small (from 20 to up to 1,100 guests), our inspiring rooms and halls provide the right setting for any meeting. Organise a daytime meeting in the oak-panelled Auditorium with its perfect acoustics and use the adjoining break-out rooms. Thrill your guests with a visit to the museum, an inspiring lecture by one of our 150 scientists and the special natural history collection. In the evenings, all of the museum is available for meetings. A dinner in the Atrium, for example, under the 40 metres high glass crown. Reservations always include access to the museum for all guests.
Scheltema Leiden, a former blanket factory dating back to 1817, is located at the heart of Leiden’s Culture Quarter. This historic location exudes a characteristic industrial atmosphere. Scheltema Leiden’s pricing is flexible and its spaces scaleable to any event. In short, a customised, client-focused service.

You are most welcome for a tour of the beautiful property near Leiden Central Station, where a professional team can help fulfill your wishes and needs. Get inspired and sample Scheltema Leiden’s hospitality for yourself!

For more information, see our online brochure www.bit.ly/welkominleiden or call us at +31(0)71 514 441.

Top reasons for choosing Scheltema Leiden for your congress or event:
• Excellent accessibility (8 minutes’ walk from Leiden Central Station / 2 car parks around the corner)
• Fantastic facilities and wheelchair-friendly
• Unique and multi-functional location
• Professional team and collaboration with the best caterers
• Excellent price/quality ratio

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On the edge of Leiden, at the heart of the Randstad area, you will find the Oud-Poelgeest estate amid its beautiful, leafy surroundings. A truly impressive location for your event, Oud-Poelgeest castle borders a large pond which is connected to the Kagerplassen lakes and Leiden’s historic canals. The monumental 17th century castle was recently renovated and restored, making it a surprising oasis of tranquility and beauty. The adjoining Koetshuis increases the total number of themed rooms to 15, each with its own characteristic ambiance, offering events or congresses a capacity from 2 to 100 persons. Our modern facilities and outstanding hospitality guarantee a memorable and problem-free event. In addition to 47 hotel rooms, the Koetshuis houses the ‘Botanicus’ restaurant where your culinary requirements are expertly met. In short, Oud-Poelgeest is an exclusive yet easily accessible location with a unique ambiance!
CORPUS ‘journey through the human body’ - centralizing humans and their health - offers an excellent congress centre with Golde Green Key certification.

CORPUS Congress Centre was built in an industrial style with its high, multi-functional lounge and congress hall (540 visitors), which can be darkened and is surprisingly spacious by daylight as well. It can also be made smaller to suit 300 guests, thereby creating four breakout spaces.

The lounge is ideal for receptions and catering but also serves as a space for trade fairs and events.

The penthouse on the 8th floor offers a spectacular view of the surrounding area and is perfect for receptions, drinks or dinners.

CORPUS is situated directly off the A44 motorway (exit 8 Leiden) and is easily reached by public transport as well.

Right next door is the Hilton Garden Inn Leiden. In combination, they form unique elements for the organisation of large plenary meetings, product presentations or multi-day congresses.
Behind the university’s historic Academy, you will find the oldest botanical garden in the Netherlands. Surrounded by water, flowers and monumental trees, Leiden’s Hortus botanicus is a truly unique venue for your business meeting.

The Hortus botanicus offers several locations that are highly suited to hosting smaller congresses or symposiums. The monumental Orangery accommodates meetings for up to 100 participants. The Tuinkamer holds some 50 people. Plan your own day: a tour of the garden, high tea, drinks or an after hours dinner, it is all possible.

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Museum Volkenkunde is a national museum located on the Leiden’s main canal in what used to be the 19th century Academic Hospital of Leiden. It is one of the oldest anthropological museums in the world and offers visitors a globally renowned collection.

The museum provides several halls: the Great Hall (150 persons maximum), the Pavillion (50 personen maximum) and the museum cafe. Business meetings among the Buddhas, African Dogon masks or Inca statues are unforgettable. The museum can also be booked for evening events and its beautiful outside area can be included.
Rijksmuseum Boerhaave was awarded European Museum of the Year in 2019. Its world famous collection is the treasure trove of five centuries of natural and medical sciences. The museum is located in a magnificent national monument in Leiden’s historic city centre with parking and Leiden Central Station within walking distance.

In a theatre layout, the rooms can accommodate 110 and 80 guests respectively. A podium, lectern, laptop, beamer, screen, sound system and technical support are available. You are also welcome to use the famous Anatomical Theatre, the museum cafe or the historic garden terrace for your event.

Museum De Lakenhal
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The recently renovated Museum De Lakenhal is a perfect venue for your reception or event. The museum highlights past, present and future in a special way. The Achterplaats, the Auditorium, the Atelier and the Voorplaats all offer inspiring backdrops for organising meetings, like symposiums, lectures, receptions and (walking) dinners. Private meetings can be held both during and outside of regular opening hours.
After years of renovation, Rapenburg 6, in the heart of Leiden, has opened its doors for private meetings. This monumental house welcomes meetings, private dining, receptions or other business events. The property provides several rooms with a domestic atmosphere as well as a professionally appointed kitchen, where house caterers make culinary dreams come true. Rapenburg 6 also delights visitors with a wonderful garden where roses, hydrangea and an old mulberry tree help create the perfect atmosphere. Our meeting table can accommodate 26 participants, while dinner can be hosted for up to 40 guests.

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With its characteristic dome, the Marekerk (1649) is a landmark in Leiden’s skyline. This octagonal church, known for its beautiful chandeliers, is available for congresses, dinners, receptions, concerts and other events (50 – 500 guests) except on Sundays and public holidays. The Marekerk is heated in winter. The adjoining Marehuis offers various rooms and halls for up to 65 guests. Leiden Central Station is a 10 minute walk away. Paid parking is available along the Oude Vest or in the Langegracht or Lammermarkt car parks. The church can also be reached by boat.
Your presentation, congress or film screening will be extra memorable in one of the Bioscopen Leiden film theatres. From the classic Trianon (Leiden’s oldest film theatre, built in 1927) to the ultimate filmscreening location Lido or the intimate Kijkhuis, each theatre has its own characteristic ambiance. Bioscopen Leiden has ten theatres, with the largest offering 357 seats. All theatres have bars with a wide variety of food and drink and catering can also be arranged.

**Bioscopen Leiden**

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Are you looking for a unique and exclusive location for your business meeting? Kasteel Duivenvoorde is an excellent getaway from the office and other temptations, while still being centrally located and easily accessible.

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Hof van Duivenvoorde is located on the Duivenvoorde estate in the renovated ‘Leidse Tuin’ or ‘Leiden Garden’. The restaurant uses as many local ingredients as possible to create surprising culinary delights for your reception or meeting.

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EATCB 2019

From October 16th through 18th, ETB-BISLIFE held the 28th EATCB (European Association of Tissue and Cell Banks) congress in the Stadsgehoorzaal in Leiden, welcoming over 350 delegates from all over Europe. The social programme consisted of a boat tour through the canals of Leiden and a memorable dinner in the unique ambiance of the monumental Hooglandse Kerk. The contribution from Leiden Convention Bureau was key to the success of our congress. They put us in touch with important parties, advised on the various locations, arranged for the congress to be opened by the city’s mayor followed by a reception and they arranged a stand on the congress offering local tourist information for the delegates. We can wholeheartedly recommend Leiden as a congress city as well as the professional services of Leiden Convention Bureau!

P.J. Kruijt, PhD, ETB-BISLIFE
Leiden offers visitors an attractive and varied choice of hotels in a wide variety of price categories, from 1 to 4 stars. From small and charming boutique hotels to large (inter)national hotel chains with luxury meeting facilities. Almost 3,000 hotel rooms are available in Leiden and the surrounding region.

Many accommodations can be found inside the old city centre and are at walking distance from the Leiden Central Station. Hotels just outside the city centre are easily reachable by care and oftentimes offer an excellent shuttle service to the city centre. Some hotels are located in historic buildings while others are more modern, including those offering spectacular views over the city or all the way to the North Sea beach.
Van der Valk Hotel Leiden

Van der Valk Hotel Leiden offers 80 spacious and stylish rooms and is located on the Oude Rijn waterway, which connects it to the historic city centre of Leiden. The restaurant, with its special ambiance, as well as the bar and brasserie are located in the monumental section of the hotel. The meeting rooms are suitable for congresses, training sessions or presentations for up to 200 guests. With its central location between the A4 and A44 motorways, the hotel is easily accessible from the entire Randstad area. Free parking and charging for electric vehicles are available.

Holiday Inn Leiden

This versatile 4-star hotel is centrally located in between Amsterdam Airport Schiphol and The Hague and is just 5 minutes away from Leiden’s city centre. The Keukenhof flower gardens and the North Sea beach can be reached in 10 minutes. Holiday Inn Leiden offers 200 rooms with smart TVs, a large restaurant and the Ocean bar, as well as various other leisure facilities. There are 14 modern meeting halls and rooms for up to 400 visitors and a business centre. Right next door is the ECC Leiden with room to host congresses and events for up to 2,500 guests. The hotel also offers Free parking for up to 400 cars is available, as well as charging stations for electric vehicles, a shuttle service from and to Leiden Central Station and free WIFI.
Hotels were experience is key! Boutique Hotels van Leyden consists of two small scale hotels in historic canal houses dating back to the Golden Age. With a view of the city’s monumental centre and canals, they offer ambiance, personal attention and that extra touch you will appreciate.

The 14 stylish rooms offer all the modern conveniences and facilities. One of the rooms provides full wheelchair access. In addition, Boutique Hotels van Leyden offers a shuttle service to and from Amsterdam Airport Schiphol and Rotterdam The Hague Airport. Limited hotel parking is available as well as public parking in front of the hotels.

The 18th century gala room in Hotel Huys van Leyden is an excellent location for your meeting (U-shape setup for up to 24 persons), a reception (up to 110 persons) or symposium. Want to go all out? Host a truly memorable dinner with gold cutlery and glassware (55 persons).

Let us surprise you with our service.

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Huys van Leyden
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De Barones van Leyden
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City Hotel Nieuw Minerva

City Hotel Nieuw Minerva dates back to the 16th century and is located on the Oude Rijn in the historic heart of the city. The hotel is close to shops, the university, museums, cultural attractions, restaurants and bars. It offers 35 unique rooms with a genuine Dutch historic ambiance, 11 of which are themed. The restaurant serves breakfast. In combination with meetings, lunch can be served as well. There is one multi-functional room for up to 20 guests, for business meetings, training sessions, presentations or parties. Leiden Central Station is within walking distance and there is paid parking in front of the hotel as well as a dock for boats.

Fletcher Wellness-Hotel Leiden

Fletcher Wellness-Hotel Leiden is centrally located next to Leiden Central Station and at a mere 5 minute walk from the old city centre. The hotel offers 117 rooms and suites as well as 10 multi-functional rooms suitable for meetings and receptions for 2 to 300 guests. The luxurious, fully-equipped BLUE wellness resort is the perfect place to unwind. Restaurant Twelve, on the 12th floor, offers a phenomenal view of the seaside towns of Noordwijk and Katwijk. There is a public parking garage underneath the hotel.
The 4-star hotel Golden Tulip Leiden Centre is located right next to the 3-star hotel Tulip Inn Leiden Centre; together, they house 7 stars under one roof. The hotel is ideally located in the centre of the historic city of Leiden, directly opposite Leiden Central Station, the hotels are eminently accessible both by public transport and by car. There are 6 modern, multi-functional meeting rooms suitable for small to medium-sized meetings with a maximum capacity of 120 persons. All rooms have daylight, airconditioning and a meeting kit to accommodate your every need.

Golden Tulip Leiden Centre

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Tulip Inn Leiden Centre

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The 3-star hotel Ibis Leiden Centre is located directly opposite Leiden Central Station within walking distance of the historic city centre and the Bio Science Park. The modern rooms offer comfortable box spring beds, air conditioning and facilities for making coffee and tea. Bar Rendez-Vous serves a daily breakfast buffet, tasty drinks and hot snacks. In the evenings, a choice of entrees is served. Ibis guarantees optimal comfort, first class service and an ultimate 24/7 hospitality at competitive rates!

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Hilton Garden Inn Leiden is located next to the A44 in Leiden’s Bio Science Park and offers 173 spacious rooms with free WiFi and parking. There are 6 meeting rooms with natural daylight that provide an excellent setting for events with up to 110 participants. In addition, the renovated meeting foyer, in combination with “The Shop” coffee corner, provides work space for entrepreneurs enroute. In the coffee corner warm and cold beverages, fresh sandwiches and rolls, wraps and salads are 24/7 available. The adjoining CORPUS Congress Centre adds unique facilities ideally suited for large meetings, product presentations and multi-day events.

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The 20th European Carbohydrate Symposium ‘EUROCARB’ was held in Leiden’s Stadsgehoorzaal from June 30th to July 4th 2019. About 550 delegates enjoyed over 30 plenary meetings and lectures. They discussed the latest developments in the glycosciences during several poster sessions, in which some 250 posters were presented by senior and junior scientists from all over the world.

In addition to science, participants enjoyed the historic but lively city centre of Leiden. Many thanks to Leiden Convention Bureau, Congress by design and the Stadsgehoorzaal. The congress was a major success, or in the words of several participants ‘the best (and the best venue) of the conference series’.

Prof. dr. H.S. Overkleeft, Leiden Institute of Chemistry
Other business services
Catering

Leiden’s catering professionals are used to working flexibly in challenging settings: locations in the open air, without a kitchen, on the water or in a large church. They offer large dinners, meeting meals, snacks for events or buffets for a congress or reception. They come up with special themes to suit different clients’ needs. Not only do they know what is possible, oftentimes they provide decoration and service staff as well.

Professional Congress Organisers & Intermediaries

A Professional Congress Organiser (PCO) or an intermediary is a professional, specialised in organising international congresses and meeting. Leiden Convention Bureau recommends using a PCO when organising a large international congress. PCOs can either handle the entire process or work only on certain aspects.

PCOs have great experience and expertise, enabling them to work efficiently and accurately while maintaining a strong negotiating position. This allows the client to concentrate fully on the content and leave all practical worries to the PCO.

Transportation and boat tours

Leiden is a small city and most points of interest in the historic city centre are within walking distance of each other. In Holland, bicycles are a very popular mode of transport. Many hotels offer them on loan or for hire. Leiden’s public transport is excellent. Trains from several directions stop at Leiden Central Station which is located right on the edge of the city centre. City buses practically reach all parts of the city at a high frequency. One travels comfortably by coach or taxi to more distant locations or to the coast, the Keukenhof, the Green Heart or Amsterdam Airport Schiphol. These companies are specialised in transporting large or smaller groups by (VIP) coach, double decker, (VIP) minibus or partybus. and also act as travel agent/DMC for excursions or longer journeys.

In a city of canals and rivers that connect to lakes and the sea, a boat trip is a must. A boat tour is an excellent way of seeing the city and its surrounding areas. Tour guides will tell the best stories about Leiden’s history. All sorts of arrangements are available and on-board catering can include lunches, drinks and dinners. Boats can be covered or open and a blanket can keep you warm if needed.

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For over 30 years, Leids Congres Bureau has successfully organised national and international scientific congresses. In close collaboration with an organisation’s congress committee, this Professional Conference Organiser will take care of all practical, time-consuming matters, so the committee can focus on content.

A team of dedicated professionals is keen to help you draw up a realistic planning and a budget, develop and provide marketing and communication, efficiently handle registration and payments and professionally prepare and carry out all logistical activities required.

In addition, LCB guarantees careful abstract handling, offering practical assistance when determining the call and review criteria. We also provide good online submission forms and a reliable, anonymised reviewing process.

With our dedication and enthusiasm, LCB is keen to do whatever it takes to unburden you and help make your congress a resounding success.
original tailor-made concepts for programs for (inter)national congresses, business and festive meetings. Kuiters is focused on translating goals into a form that fits the target audience, always guarding the technical, practical and organisational realisation within the existing (financial) parameters and circumstances. Kuiters stands out because of its creativity, involvement, pro-active approach, professional perfection, robust organisation and effective direction and management. It values good and fast communication and always operates based on the key concepts of flexibility and tailor-made consulting.

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Kuiters idee... from content to result...

With years of experience in organising (scientific) congresses, Congress by design has successfully organized a wide variety of (inter)national meetings of various sizes throughout these years. Having the worry taken out of the process is what clients appreciate.

To unburden the clients and to offer creative and innovative solutions to make their congress successful are the main objectives for Congress by design. Their driven professionals are experienced, fast and dedicated. Congress by design is certified by IAPCO (International Association of Professional Conference Organisers).
Boerhaave Nascholing and Boerhaave CME (Continuing Medical Education) annually organise about 200 accredited medical congresses, CME courses and biomedical symposiums for around 12,000 participants, from 100 tot over 600 per meeting. Boerhaave Nascholing advises on the right forms of presentation to optimise the educational impact of congress themes. They can provide skill labs or an operating theatre for practical training. In developing congresses and courses, Boerhaave Nascholing and CME design special learning programmes. In addition to the programme proposal, interactive and online training methods are implemented aimed at a maximum learning effect of the content presented. Staff are all proficient in spoken and written Dutch and English and share extensive medical knowledge.
When you are thinking of organising an event, many questions arise. Leiden University’s Event Bureau provides solutions for all academic meetings. Leiden University staff or parties working with the university can benefit from the Bureau’s broad experience in organising academic meetings and events. These vary from small interactive meetings with coffee and biscuits to large, multi-day congresses with delegates requiring hotel with accommodation.

The Event Bureau can be of service to you in many ways: advising you on programming as well as assisting in general planning, organisation, execution and everything in between. The Event Bureau can also offer advice on an effective event formula, suggesting original ideas for interaction with participants to strengthen your message.
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Supported by our team of driven hospitality professionals, Homemade will unburden you during your event. Homemade delivers unique concepts, creatively tailored to your wishes and budget but always surprising. Modern, bohemian or classic; all at the highest level. What makes Homemade unique is cooking and instant culinary expertise on site. Depending on your wishes, this can be done behind screens or for all to see and enjoy. Either way, appetizing restaurant quality meals will be served. Homemade is keen to inform you on the many possibilities.
CULINARY ART THROUGH PASSION
House of Lords is a dynamic catering firm that delivers personal and exclusive catering with passion. Passion for food and passion for professionalism. Creating, organising and delivering a complete culinary experience from an intimate dinner to events with food trucks, food corners, live cooking at prime locations: it is all part of our daily work. At House of Lords, it’s always about the guests. They are welcomed with the best service and hospitality.

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Brouwer Tours and Taxi Brouwer B.V. have built a strong reputation since starting business in 1905. With their modern and extensive fleet of over 130 vehicles, the company has the experience and logistical knowledge to handle both an exclusive business trip and a 10,000 person event. Brouwer Tours and Taxi Brouwer offer business travel, private travel, people transport for events, congresses, groups, company outings, day trips, shuttle services, transfers and multi-day travel arrangements. Brouwer is active in handling travel arrangements and day trips for both private and corporate clients.

Bizon Events is a no-nonsense organisation agency for company outings, meeting breaks and business events in Leiden. Since 1988 (!) Bizon has provided its guests with special events where unburdening the client is the main objective. Bizon knows the best places in and around Leiden to include in any event. Discover the spots that are well-kept secrets with the BizonSloop, BikeTours and Interactive Games or during a first class dinner at a prime industrial location!
Organising a congress is a time-consuming job. Just think of finding the right location, price negotiations, hotel reservations and handling countless booking changes. Efficient Hotel Partner is keen and qualified to unburden you. Hotel reservations are made through Book a Room Linq, a system providing an instant overview of availability and pricing of accommodations. In addition, Efficient Hotel Partner provides support when handling issues like transportation, moderators, audio-visual equipment and activities.

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The VGF Pre-Financing and Guarantee Fund offers financial security to organisers of international, multi-day congresses. Why VGF? VGF offers:
• An interest and cost-free loan of up to € 90,000 to cover startup costs.
• A guarantee of up to € 90,000 to cover possible losses due to low attendance.
• The possibility of taking advantage of these services separately or in combination.

For all conditions, the full application procedure and more information on the VGF, please visit www.VGFHolland.nl.
Top 10 reasons to choose Leiden for your congress

1. Internationally renowned research university
2. Leiden Bio Science Park is the largest life science cluster in the Netherlands
3. 15 minutes to Amsterdam Airport Schiphol
4. Fourth cultural city in the Netherlands, 13 museums including 4 national museums
5. Wide range of congress locations
6. Compact city centre, many locations within walking distance
7. Amsterdam, The Hague, Rotterdam 11-35 minutes by train
8. Historic city centre with a ring of canals
9. Leiden by the sea: just 12 km to the North Sea coast
10. Hotels and restaurants in every prize category
Facts & Figures

- Over 3,000 monuments.
- Hortus botanicus Leiden founded in 1590.
- 28 kilometres of canals.
- 88 bridges.
- 30,000 students.
- 60 bars.
- 200 restaurants.
- 13 museums including four national museums.
- Leiden has 35 courtyards.
- Birthplace of many famous Dutch painters like Rembrandt van Rijn, Jan Steen, Jan van Goyen and Lucas van Leyden.
- There are over 100 wall poems in Leiden, varying in language and script.
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- 350m from municipal carpark
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- *173 in adjoining Hilton Garden Inn
- *under one roof with Holiday Inn Leiden
- directly next to Central Station, In the Level Building
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- *under one roof with ECC Leiden
- *2,000 in cross configuration
- Meeting table 26 persons
- *6 rooms in Golden Tulip Leiden Centre
- Museum carpark for 200 vehicles, reservations for daytime parking not possible
- *meetings in Auditorium, sub-rooms only in combination with Auditorium; evening dinner or reception in Atrium possible
- In the heart of Culture quarter
- *Walking dinner