CENL AGM 2021

28-30 NOVEMBER 2021

KBR, Brussels

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Contents

CULTURAL DAY PROGRAMME

08.30

- **DEPARTURE FROM HOTEL**

Meet in the Hotel Ibis lobby.

Travelling by Tram to Tervuren. Departure at 08.45 from Place Royale stop (opposite the Musée des Beaux-Arts). Arrival at Tervuren at 09.45. The tram journey is across the forest and one of the most beautiful tram journeys of the country.

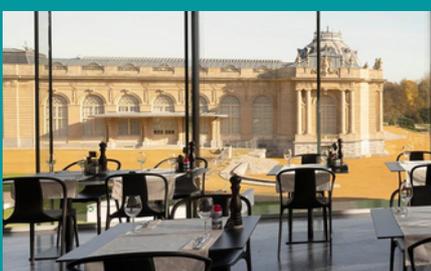

10.00

- **VISIT OF THE AFRICA MUSEUM**

Introduction by Director of Africa Museum.
Followed by guided tours of the museum. Tours will be in English.

12.00

- **LUNCH AT BISTRO TEMPO**

Steak with fries followed by chocolate mousse.

13.30 • **DEPARTURE FOR BRUSSELS**

14.30 • **GUIDED TOUR OF BRUSSELS**

Tour in English of the centre of Brussels. Tour finishes at the Ibis Hotel.

19.00-22.00 • **REGISTRATION, BUFFET AND RECEPTION**

At Coudenberg Palace
10 Place des Palais, 1000 Bruxelles

AGM PROGRAMME

AGM Session 1 - 09.00 – 10.40
Theme: Business Meeting

- 08.45-09.00   **Registration**

- 09.00-09.10   **Words of welcome from Chair, Host & Thomas Dermine, State Secretary in charge of Scientific Policy**
  with Roly Keating & Sara Lammens

- 09.10-09.20   **Introductions**
  All delegates

- 09.20-09.25   **Approval of the minutes of the 34th CENL AGM 2020 online**
  with Roly Keating
  VOTE

- 09.25-09.30   **Matters arising from Minutes**

- 09.30-09.40   **CENL Executive Committee elections - Ratification**

- 09.40-09.55   **Revised fee model**
  VOTE

- 09.55-10.10   **CENL Annual Report - Highlights**
  with Roly Keating

- 10.10-10.25   **Treasurer's Report including:**
  - Finance Report for 2020
  - CENL Audit Report 2020
  - CENL Budget 2021
  - CENL Budget 2022
  with Sara Lammens
  VOTE

- 10.25-10.40   **CENL Action Plan and Communications**
  with Marcie Hopkins & Susanne Oehlschläger
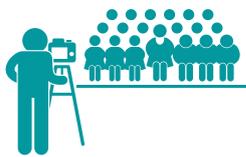
- 10.40-10.55   **Coffee Break**

AGM Session 2 - 10.55 – 12.45

- 10.55-12.25 **National Libraries and Sustainability**
  with Anthony Agotha, European Commission
  Lorena Aldana, Climate Heritage Network
  Ivanka Stričević, National Library of Croatia
  Julia Konopka-Zolnierczuk, National Library of Poland
  Panel chaired by Hans Petschar

- 12.25-12.45 **Group photo**

- 12.45-14.00 **Lunch break**

AGM Session 3 - 14.00 – 17.00

- 14.00-15.20 **Strategic Breakout Sessions**
  followed by feedback to the main group

  1. Life after Covid
  with Hans Petschar, National Library of Austria

  Covid-19 is transforming how we work, the way we collaborate
  with others, and the way we combine the physical and digital
  worlds to make national libraries' collections available. You will
  explore in this session with Hans Petschar what life after Covid
  might look like for staff, users and our services.

  2. Contested histories and inclusive voices
  with Beba Stankovic, National Library of Serbia

  The National Library of Serbia was recently awarded a CENL
  Hidden Stories grant for a project to record and preserve
  women's experiences of the pandemic. As part of 'Collection
  Days' women will be invited to share stories of their lives during
  the pandemic, especially those working on the front lines. In
  this session with Beba Stankovic, you will explore how national

libraries can create ways to include different voices in our collections and programming, and to explore contested histories in our national collections – we will share ideas and experiences together, as this topic becomes increasingly important for national libraries.

3. How FAIR is your National Library data?
with Sally Chambers and Ann Van Camp, KBR

The increasing digitisation of society and resulting increased digitisation of library collections results in National Libraries needing to develop processes to manage an insurmountable amount of diverse document and data types (e.g. bibliographic data, authority data, digital data, collections as data, born-digital data, e-resources data, research data and labs data). In practice, this entails making our National Libraries' data FAIR (Findable, Accessible, Interoperable and Reusable). In this session we will introduce the FAIR Principles and explore their benefits, challenges and opportunities for National Libraries through the practical example of Linked Open Data (LOD) and ISNI (International Standard Name Identifiers).

- 15.20-15.30 **Coffee Break**

- 15.30-17.00 **Keynote: Dr. Carla Hayden, Librarian of Congress** (via video)

   Library Engagement in a Digital and Virtual Pandemic & Post Pandemic World

   followed by a conversation with Roly Keating
   and by questions & answers from CENL members

- 17.00-17.15 **Closing remarks**
   with Roly Keating

- 17.15-19.00 **Break**

- 19.00-22.00 **Gala Dinner**

   Location: Palais de Charles de Lorraine, KBR
         Entrance via Place du Musée 1 Brussels

   Dress code: smart

AGM Session 4 - 09.00 – 13.00

- 09.00-09.35   **EKN grant holders reports**
  1. National Library of Estonia - Janne Andresoo
  2. British Library - Mercedes Aguirre & Lucy Rowland (via video)

  followed by questions & answers

- 09.35-10.15   **Presentation by CENL Network Groups**
  1. Books and Audiences – Inge Surgunte (via video)
  2. Copyright - Maja Bogataj Jančič (via video)
  3. Artificial Intelligence Application - Jean-Philippe Moreux (via video)

  followed by questions & answers

- 10.15-11.00   **Presentation - AI and national libraries: The BnF as a case study**
  by Laurence Engel, Bibliothèque nationale de France

  followed by questions & answers

- 11.00-11.15 **Coffee Break**

- 11.15-12.30   **Interactive session: Strategic priorities for national libraries & CENL for the next 4 years**
  with Roly Keating

  5 x workshops run by Janne Andresoo, Laurence Engel, Karin Grönvall, Frank Scholze and Ivanka Stričević

- 12.30-12.50   **Presentation by the 2022 host**
  with Ali Odabaş, National Library of Turkey

  Closing remarks
  with Roly Keating & Frank Scholze

- 13.00-14.00   **Lunch break**

- 14.00-15.30   Optional: **Tour of KBR and its new museum** on the manuscript collection of the dukes of Burgundy

CENL AGM - SPEAKERS

Host

SARA LAMMENS
General Director a.i., KBR

Sara Lammens studied Musicology and Philosophical academy at the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven. She started her professional career as a researcher at the Alamire Foundation, the international centre for the study of music in the Low Countries. In 2004 Sara began working for the Royal Library of Belgium (KBR), where she replaced the Head of the Music Department for a few months. Sara then switched over to the Communications Department, first as an employee, later as Head of Communications. In 2013 she became the Support Services Director of KBR and was responsible for managing and coordinating Budget and Finances, Facilities, Human Resources, ICT, Prevention and Well-Being. She also took the Digitisation and Public Services under her wing.

Since 1st May 2017 she has been the General Director a.i. of KBR, responsible for the general management of the institution and its representation in Belgium and abroad.

Keynote Speaker

Dr. CARLA HAYDEN
Librarian of Congress , Library of Congress

Dr. Carla Hayden was sworn in as the 14th Librarian of Congress on September 14, 2016. Hayden, the first woman and the first African American to lead the national library, was nominated to the position by President Barack Obama on February 24, 2016, and her nomination was confirmed by he U.S. Senate on July 13.

Prior to her latest post she served, since 1993, as CEO of the Enoch Pratt Free Library in Baltimore, Maryland. Hayden was nominated by President Obama to be a member of he National Museum and Library Services Board in January 2010 and was confirmed to that post by the Senate in June 2010. Prior to joining the Pratt Library, Hayden was deputy commissioner and chief librarian of the Chicago Public Library

from 1991 to 1993. She was an assistant professor for Library and Information Science at the University of Pittsburgh from 1987 to 1991. Hayden was library services coordinator for the Museum of Science and Industry in Chicago from 1982 to 1987. She began her career with the Chicago Public Library as the young adult services coordinator from 1979 to 1982 and as a library associate and children's librarian from 1973 to 1979.

Hayden was president of the American Library Association from 2003 to 2004. In 1995, she was the first African American to receive Library Journal's Librarian of the Year Award in recognition of her outreach services at the Pratt Library, which included an after-school center for Baltimore teens offering homework assistance and college and career counseling. Hayden received a B.A. from Roosevelt University and an M.A. and P.D. from the Graduate Library School of the University of Chicago.

Speakers

ANTHONY AGOTHA
Senior diplomatic advisor to the Executive Vice President of the European Green Deal, European Commission

Tony Agotha is a Dutch diplomat since 1996 who served amongst others as deputy director of European Integration in the Foreign Ministry, spokesman in the Permanent Representation to the EU in Brussels, national expert in the Turkey Team of the European Commission, deputy ambassador in Ljubljana, first secretary in the Permanent Representation to the EU, and member of the Office of the Secretary-General at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He is currently senior diplomatic advisor to the Executive Vice President of the European Green Deal Mr. Frans Timmermans at the European Commission in Brussels. He studied Public Administration/Political Science at the University of Twente (1995) and wrote his Masters' thesis at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (NC) as a visiting scholar. Tony Agotha is married and has four children; he loves baseball, running, reading, and cooking.

LORENA ALDANA
European Policy Coordinator, Europa Nostra

Lorena Aldana is a heritage professional from Mexico. She is the European Policy Coordinator at Europa Nostra, the largest and most representative umbrella organisation for heritage NGOs in Europe. In this role, she coordinates Europa Nostra's work in the field of EU heritage policy and advocacy. She also coordinates the participation of the organisation in different EU-funded heritage projects.

Previously, she was part of the task force charged with implementing the European Year of Cultural Heritage 2018 in the European Commission, Directorate General for Education and Culture (DG EAC). As such, she worked on the design, management and communication of the Year's activities at EU level.

In the past, she also worked for the Organisation for Economic Co–operation and Development (OECD), in the research and design of heritage–led local development strategies. She has participated as speaker and panelist in manifold international conferences.

She holds a Masters Degree in Cultural Economics and Management (University of Bologna, Italy), a Bachelor's Degree in International Affairs (ITESM, Mexico) and a Certificate in Political Science (Science Po Toulouse, France).

Prof. IVANKA STRIČEVIĆ, PhD
Director General, National and University Library in Zagreb

Ivanka Stričević has been University Professor since 2007 and in 2020 she was appointed as a Director General of the National and University Library in Zagreb and still teaches at the University of Zadar and mentors doctoral students. She graduated in pedagogy and librarianship, obtained a MA degree in pedagogy, and a PhD degree in information and communication sciences, all from the University of Zagreb, Croatia.

In her academic career she carried several management positions. She was Vice Rector for Scientific Affairs and Information Infrastructure at the University of Zadar (2015-2019) and Head of Department of Information Sciences at the University of Zadar (2012-2015). Before starting her academic career, Ivanka Stričević was a Manager of youth services in the Public Library in Zagreb (1978-2007).

She is active member of international conferences' program committees and of national and international professional associations, including the Croatian Library Association and Croatian Reading Association. As an active member of IFLA (International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions) she was chair of the IFLA Libraries for Children and Young Adults Section and IFLA Literacy and Reading Section and she is currently participating in the National Libraries Section. She was a member of the Working Group of the Ministry of Culture and Media of the Republic of Croatia, charged to create the National Strategy for the Promotion of Reading. On the basis of the Strategy the Government of the Republic of Croatia declared the year 2021 the Year of Reading.

She published more than 70 papers, co-authored 10 studies and books, edited numerous publications on users of information, reading, literacy and librarianship, worked on scientific and numerous expert projects and participated in panels about reading, literacy and librarianship. She received two national awards for achievements in education in 1994 and for achievements in librarianship in 2008.

JULIA KONOPKA-ZOLNIERCZUK
Deputy Director, National Library of Poland

Julia Konopka-Żołnierczuk holds a degree in Cultural Studies, specialising in Mediterranean civilisation, from the Faculty of "Artes Liberales" at the University of Warsaw. She has worked at the National Library of Poland since January 2016, first in the Secretariat and then combining the positions of Secretary to the Management and Head of the Secretariat. Her position has brought her responsibility for the coordination of several projects at the National Library.

Since 2017 she has acted as representative of the Director of the National Library with regard to purchases and donations of library materials. On behalf of the National Library, she helped prepare the National Reading Development Programme for 2021-2025. In 2021, she was appointed Deputy Director of the National Library of Poland responsible for international cooperation.

LAURENCE ENGEL
President, Bibliothèque nationale de France

Born in 1966, Laurence Engel was appointed President of the National Library of France and took up her post on April 11, 2016.

A graduate of ENS (Ecole Normale Supérieure) Fontenay-aux-Roses, IEP (Institut d'Etudes Politiques) and ENA (Ecole Nationale d'Administration), she is a member of the Cour des Comptes (French Court of Audit).

After joining Jérôme Clément, President of ARTE, a public Franco-GermanTV network that promotes programming in the areas of culture and the arts and later on the public television network "La Cinquième" in 1998, she was appointed Adviser on Audiovisual Matters to Catherine Tasca, then Minister of Culture and Communication, in the period 2000 to 2002. She was Cultural Advisor to Mayor of Paris Bertrand Delanoë, in the period 2003 to 2008 and afterwards Director of Cultural Affairs for the City of Paris until 2012.

She acted as Director of the Cabinet Office of Aurélie Filippetti, then Minister of Culture and Communication, for the period 2012-2014. Consequently, she joined the Cour des Comptes and was, furthermore, appointed as Ombudsman for the Book. During that period of time, Laurence Engel acted also as Chair of the Board of Directors of INHA (Institut National de l'Histoire de l'Art) and Chair of the Finance Commission of the AFP (Agence France Presse).

She has published various books and articles, in particular about Cultural policy, for the French literary magazine Esprit.

DELEGATES LIST

Austria	Hans Petschar	National Library of Austria	Director Picture Archives and Graphics Department
Azerbaijan	Kerim Tahirov	National Library of Azerbaijan	Director General
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Belgium	Frédéric Lemmers	National Library Belgium	Member of Board of Directors
Bosnia & Herzegovina	Ismet Ovčina	National and University Library of Bosnia and Herzegovina	Director
Croatia	Ivanka Stričević	National and University Library in Zagreb	Director General
Czech Republic	Tomas Foltyn	National Library of the Czech Republic	Director General
Denmark	Tonny Skovgård Jensen	Royal Library of Denmark	Deputy Director General
Estonia	Janne Andresoo	National Library of Estonia	Director General
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France	Ophélie Ramonatxo	Bibliotheque nationale de France	Director for International Cooperation
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Germany	Susanne Oehlschläger	German National Library	Head of Strategic Development and Communications
Germany	Michael Duchardt	German National Library	Deputy Head Financial Department
Hungary	Judit Gerencsér	National Széchényi Library	Deputy Director General
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Luxembourg	Claude D. Conter	National Library of Luxembourg	Director
Luxembourg	Carlo Blum	National Library of Luxembourg	Head of IT-Department
Luxembourg	Kim Krier	National Library of Luxembourg	Executive Assistant
Malta	Cheryl Falzon	National Library of Malta	CEO
Malta	Joanne Sciberras	National Library of Malta	Director of Library Operations

Moldova	Elena Pintilei	National Library of the Republic of Moldova	Director
Montenegro	Dragica Lompar	National library of Montenegro "Djurdje Crnojevic"	Director
Montenegro	Sladjana Sjekloca	National library of Montenegro "Djurdje Crnojevic"	Translator
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Netherlands	Elsbeth Kwant	National Library of The Netherlands	Strategic Adviser
North Macedonia	Jelisaveta Kostadinova	St Clement of Ohrid National and University Library	Director
North Macedonia	Maja Micevska Rizova	St Clement of Ohrid National and University Library	Personal assistant
Poland	Tomasz Makowski	National Library of Poland	Director General
Poland	Julia Konopka-Zolnierczuk	National Library of Poland	Deputy Director
Romania	Adrian Mihai Cioroianu	National Library of Romania	Director General
Serbia	Beba Stankovic	National Library of Serbia	Adviser for International Cooperation
Slovenia	Viljem Leban	National and University Library, Slovenia	Director
Spain	José Luis Bueren	National Library of Spain	Deputy Director
Sweden	Karin Grönvall	National Library of Sweden	National Librarian
Switzerland	Damian Elsig	National Library of Switzerland	Director
Turkey	Ali Odabaş	National Library of Turkey	Director General
Turkey	Taner Beyoglu	National Library of Turkey	Assist. General Director
Turkey	Asuman Akdemir	National Library of Turkey	Head for Library Services
Turkey	Ebru Tokay	National Library of Turkey	Translator
United Kingdom	Roly Keating	British Library	Chief Executive
United Kingdom	Liz Jolly	British Library	Chief Librarian
United Kingdom	Marcie Hopkins	British Library	CENL Secretary
United Kingdom	Cecile Communal	British Library	CENL Secretariat
Vatican Library	Timothy Janz	Vatican Library	Vice Prefect

INFORMATION

How to get there

Address

KBR, Mont des Arts 28, 1000 Brussels

www.kbr.be/en/how-to-get-here/

By Plane

Brussels Airport is a speedy 17 minutes by train from the Brussels Central Station. At peak times, 6 trains run every hour to the Central Station which is at only a three minutes walk from KBR.

By public transports

Train	Brussels-Centraal
Underground/Metro	1 and 5 (metro station Gare Centrale)
Tram	92 – 93 (stop: Place Royale)
Bus	29 – 38 – 63 – 65 – 66 – 71 – 86 (stop Gare Centrale) 27 – 38 – 71 – 95 (stop : Place Royale)

By car

Pay-and-display car park 'Albertine'
Entrance: "Place de la Justice" and "Rue des Sols"
There are some parking spaces for people with a disability at Boulevard de l'Empereur 4.

Useful links

- National Railway: www.belgiantrain.be
- Public transport in Brussels: www.stib-mivb.be
- Public transport in Flanders: www.delijn.be
- Brussels airport (Zaventem): www.brusselsairport.be
- Brussels South Charleroi airport: www.brussels-charleroi-airport.com
- Public transport in Wallonia: www.infotec.be
- Tourist information about Brussels: https://visit.brussels/en
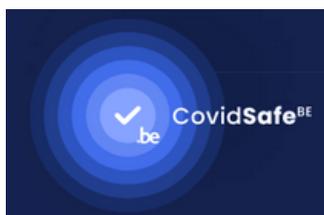
COVID-SAFE APP

You will need to show the CovidSafeBe application or your EU Digital Covid Certificate to enter into the Royal Library of Belgium.

Who needs the app?
- **If you have an EU Digital Covid Certificate from another EU Member State**, all you need to do is have your certificate in your own country's app or on paper scanned at the entrance.

Certificates from the following countries are also valid in Belgium: Iceland, Liechtenstein, San Marino, Switzerland, United Kingdom, Scotland, Wales, Vatican City, Albania, Andorra, Monaco, North Macedonia, Turkey, Ukraine, Armenia.

- **If you don't have an EU Digital Covid Certificate from another Member State**, then you need to get tested in Belgium to obtain a certificate which you will be able to upload on the CovidSafeBe app. Testing can be a PCR test or a RAT (Rapid Antigen Test). A PCR test is valid for 72 hours, so **we recommend doing a PCR test.** A RAT test is valid on the day of testing and the day after testing. A RAT test takes approximately 20 minutes until you have the result and can be taken at a local pharmacist. The list of pharmacies where you can take a RAT test is available here:
https://www.apotheek.be/fr/Pharmacien/Pages/ou-effectuer-un-test-covid-rapide-en-pharmacie.aspx

How do I get the app?
You will need to download the official CovidSafeBE app on your mobile device. You will find all the information about the app on https://covidsafe.be/en/ The app is available in English, French and Dutch.

The app is available on the Apple store:
https://apps.apple.com/us/app/covidsafebe/id1566902189#?platform=iphone
and on Google Play: https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=be.fgov.ehealth.DGC

What do I need to do once I've downloaded the app?
You will need to upload your Covid safe certificate. There are three types of certificates: a vaccination certificate, a test certificate or a recovery certificate. In your case, this will be a test certificate.

- To get your test certificate, get tested at a testing centre (see details in FAQ).
- You must provide a phone number and you may be asked to provide an email address as well.
- A Covid-19 Test Prescription Code (CTPC) is then sent in a text message and possibly also by email.
- When you receive your negative result, you can use this CTPC code and your phone number to download your EU Digital Covid Certificate in the CovidSafeBE app. If you don't have a smartphone, you can download the certificate on mijngezondheid.be or masanté.be

FAQ

What are the travel rules to Belgium?

Since 1 July 2021, you can travel to Belgium if you have been fully vaccinated.

'Fully vaccinated' means vaccinated with a vaccine approved by the European Medicines Agency (EMA) and for which all doses of the vaccine provided for in the leaflet have been administered at least two weeks before travelling.

At the time of writing, Belgium accepts the following four vaccines for entry:
1. Moderna (mRNA-1273)
2. Pfizer/BioNTech (BNT162b2)
3. Johnson & Johnson (Ad26.COV2.S)
4. Oxford/AstraZeneca (AZD1222)

A 'recognised vaccination certificate' means the EU Digital COVID Certificate. Certificates from the following countries are also valid in Belgium: Iceland, Liechtenstein, San Marino, Switzerland, United Kingdom, Scotland, Wales, Vatican City, Albania, Andorra, Monaco, North Macedonia, Turkey, Ukraine, Armenia.

Since 1 February 2021, **Belgium is using a colour code system**. For countries within the European Union/European Economic Area, the colour codes are aligned with those of the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC). Third countries are considered to be red zones, with the exception of the countries listed on the website: https://www.info-coronavirus.be/en for which the travel restrictions have temporarily been lifted.

The Belgian approach for people arriving in Belgium depends on whether they are returning from a red, orange or green zone. Depending on the country or region you are travelling from, different measures apply after your arrive in Belgium.

All passengers must complete the Public Health Passenger Locator Form (PLF) in the 48 hours before their arrival in Belgium, even if they're vaccinated and provide a COVID certificate (vaccination certificate, recovery certificate or test certificate).

- Passengers travelling from a green or orange zone

You do not need to get tested or quarantine.

- Passengers travelling from a red zone <u>in</u> the European Union

If you have a vaccination or recovery certificate, you do not need to quarantine or get tested.

If not, you must do a PCR test a maximum of 72 hours before you arrive in Belgium or a RAT test the day before arrival or the day of arrival. This test must be negative. On arrival in Belgium, you do not have to go into quarantine.

- Passengers travelling from a red zone outside the European Union

If you are vaccinated, get tested (PCR or RAT) on day 1 or 2 after you arrive in Belgium.
You have to stay in quarantine until the negative result of your test.

If not vaccinated, you must quarantine for 10 days and get tested on day 1 or 7.

Testing in the context of travelling can be a PCR test or a RAT (Rapid Antigen Test). A RAT test takes approximately 20 minutes until you have the result and can be taken at a local pharmacist. The list of pharmacies where you can take a RAT test is available online <u>here</u>.

- In addition to the colour coding system, there are also special measures relating to the territory of countries classified as very high risk, the so-called 'very high-risk countries'. In this case, visitors are not allowed to travel to Belgium.

I am visiting from a red zone outside the European Union, how can I get tested on arrival in Belgium?

<u>At the airport:</u>

- Rapid Antigen Test:

Testing in the context of travelling can be a PCR test or a RAT (Rapid Antigen Test). A RAT test takes approximately 20 minutes until you have the result and can be taken at a local pharmacist. The list of pharmacies where you can take a RAT test is available online here.

- PCR test:

Arriving passengers will receive a text message on their mobile with a code to be tested based on the information you provided in your Passenger Locator Form before flying to Belgium.

If you are an arriving passenger with a 16 character test code (received via SMS) based on the information you entered on your Passenger Locator Form (é-PLF) you will pay € 40.44 for a standard PCR test if you have the code but are not affiliated with a Belgian health insurance.
You can pay with different payment methods, when registering online or on

site. We advise you to pay in advance as much as possible to avoid queues. Online or on-site registration are available (online registration is strongly recommended)

For arriving passengers, results are available 24 to 48 hours after completion of the test. All test results are sent to you by e-mail.

See more information here: https://www.brusselsairport.be/en/passengers/the-impact-of-the-coronavirus/covid-19-test-centre-at-brussels-airport

At Brussels-Midi or in town on arrival:

- Rapid Antigen Test:

Testing in the context of travelling can be a PCR test or a RAT (Rapid Antigen Test). A RAT test takes approximately 20 minutes until you have the result and can be taken at a local pharmacist. The list of pharmacies where you can take a RAT test is available online here.

- PCR test:

Arriving passengers will receive a text message on their mobile with a code to be tested based on the information you provided in your Passenger Locator Form before arriving to Belgium.

Paid PCR test cost € 41 with a result within 48 hours via SMS or coronalert app.

The Brussels Test Centers operate by appointment. There is a test centre in Brussels Midi station. You can book your appointment via this link: https://prod.chronorace.be/registration/Covid/MedicalForm.aspx?eventId=1192343050919590&lng=EN&hash=yU8QPOC4PrsJbVRnyMf-Sh8vQFw#/registration

Please note that you must fill in your Passenger Locator Form first to receive a code to use when booking your test.

You can also go directly to the Helpdesk of one the following testing centres without an appointment: Albert, Molenbeek, or Pacheco. However, we highly recommend booking an appointment online in advance. Bring proof of identity and if possible, register on the Coronalert application to access your test result here.

Albert Centre:
Address: Avenue Jupiter 201, 1190 Forest.
Opening hours: Monday – Sunday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Nearest stop: Albert (STIB)

Molenbeek Centre:
Address: Quai de l'Industrie 31, 1080 Molenbeek-Saint-Jean.

Opening hours: Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. / Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Nearest stop: Delacroix, Arts et Métier, Triangle (STIB)

Pacheco Centre:
Address: Boulevard Pacheco 42, 1000 Brussels.
Opening hours: Monday-Sunday, 9:45 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Nearest stops: Botanique (STIB/De Lijn), Brussels-Congress (SNCB)

More information on https://brussels.testcovid.be/en/ and
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1PL2zqwGoZU6PorntZXTFuxZ2Oiig-tUv/view

▶ Can I quarantine at the Ibis Hotel?

Yes if you get tested immediately on arrival, you can then travel to the Ibis hotel and quarantine there until your negative result.

▶ I need to get tested to go back to my country. Where can I get tested?

For passengers departing from the airport:
You can either book:
- Standard PCR test, €55, results available within 24 hours
- Rapid PCR test, €120, if the test is carried out between 6 a.m. and 8 p.m., you will have to wait 3 hours to get your result
- Antigenic test, €55, results available in 50 minutes

More information via: https://www.brusselsairport.be/en/passengers/the-impact-of-the-coronavirus/covid-19-test-centre-at-brussels-airport

Travelling by train:
Rapid Antigen tests can be taken at a local pharmacist. The list of pharmacies where you can take a RAT test is available online here.

▶ Will financial assistance be available for travel costs?

As agreed at the CENL Annual Meeting 2006 in St Petersburg, financial assistance can be provided for a selection of CENL members to attend the annual general meeting. Because of the short window to book flights to Brussels, which might be more expensive by this point, the Executive Committee has decided, exceptionally and for this year only, to extend the list of eligible members to ensure that more members are able to afford the travel costs to attend the AGM.

Members who pay a membership fee between €750-2000 will all be eligible for a travel bursary of up to a maximum of €1,000 in relation to actual travel and accommodation costs. The Executive Committee has also agreed to extend the claimable costs to Covid-19 testing costs.

If you are eligible for financial assistance, you will have received a personal email with the details on how to apply within the next 48h hours. If you haven't been contacted by Monday 27th September and think that you are eligible, please contact us at cenl@bl.uk.

Do I need the CovidSafeBe application?
You will need to show the Covid-Safe Be application or your EU Digital Covid Certificate to enter into the Royal Library of Belgium.

If you have an EU Digital Covid Certificate from another EU Member State, all you need to do is have your certificate scanned at the entrance in your own country's app or on paper. **Certificates from the following countries are also valid** in Belgium: Iceland, Liechtenstein, San Marino, Switzerland, United Kingdom, Scotland, Wales, Vatican City, Albania, Andorra, Monaco, North Macedonia, Turkey, Ukraine, Armenia.

If you don't have an EU Digital Covid Certificate from another Member State, then you need to get tested in Belgium to obtain a certificate which you will be able to upload on the CovidSafeBe app. Testing can be a PCR test or a RAT (Rapid Antigen Test). A PCR test is valid for 72 hours. A RAT test is valid the day of testing and the day after testing. A RAT test takes approximately 20 minutes until you have the result and can be taken at a local pharmacist. The list of pharmacies where you can take a RAT test is available online here.

What Covid-19 measures will you be following during the AGM?

We will be following social distancing measures while indoor including in the rooms hosting the meetings. We will be asking everyone to wear a face covering while they are indoors. This excludes people who cannot put on, wear or remove a face covering because of a physical or mental illness or impairment, or disability.

If you feel unwell or anyone in your household is showing symptoms of COVID-19, please don't visit the KBR.

I already know that I will not be able to attend the AGM. Will I be able to join online and cast my vote?

The AGM will take place physically and members who cannot attend will not be able to join the meeting online. The minutes from the AGM will be made available to all CENL members by early December 2021.

Please note that as a CENL member, you are required to vote on a number of business matters. Should you be unable to join us in Brussels, you may nominate a representative from your own library to attend the AGM and vote on your behalf. Alternatively, you may nominate another CENL member to vote on your behalf. In both cases, you will need to fill in a proxy form to nominate your representative. The proxy form is available here. Please return your proxy form to the CENL Secretariat by the 19th November at the latest.

Where can I access the latest information about the AGM?

The AGM page in the members' section of the CENL website will be updated regularly with the latest information. Please visit the page here: https://www.cenl.org/agm/28th-30th-november-2021-brussels-belgium/

Please visit note that you need to register on the CENL website to access the Members' section. Visit www.cenl.org/sign-in-register to sign in or register.

Is the AGM fully accessible?

The Royal National Library of Belgium is fully accessible to wheelchair users.

However, part of the Cultural programme on Sunday are not fully accessible.

If you have any accessibility needs, please contact the CENL Secretariat at cenl@bl.uk.

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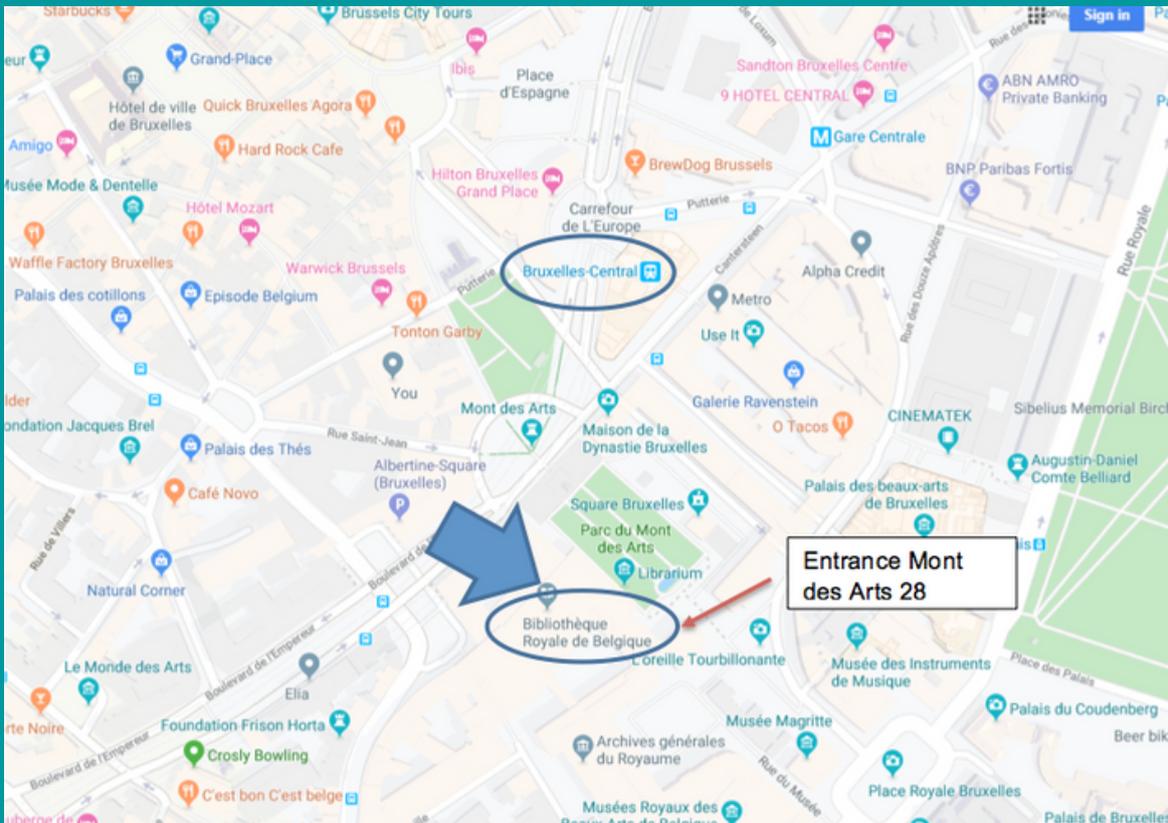
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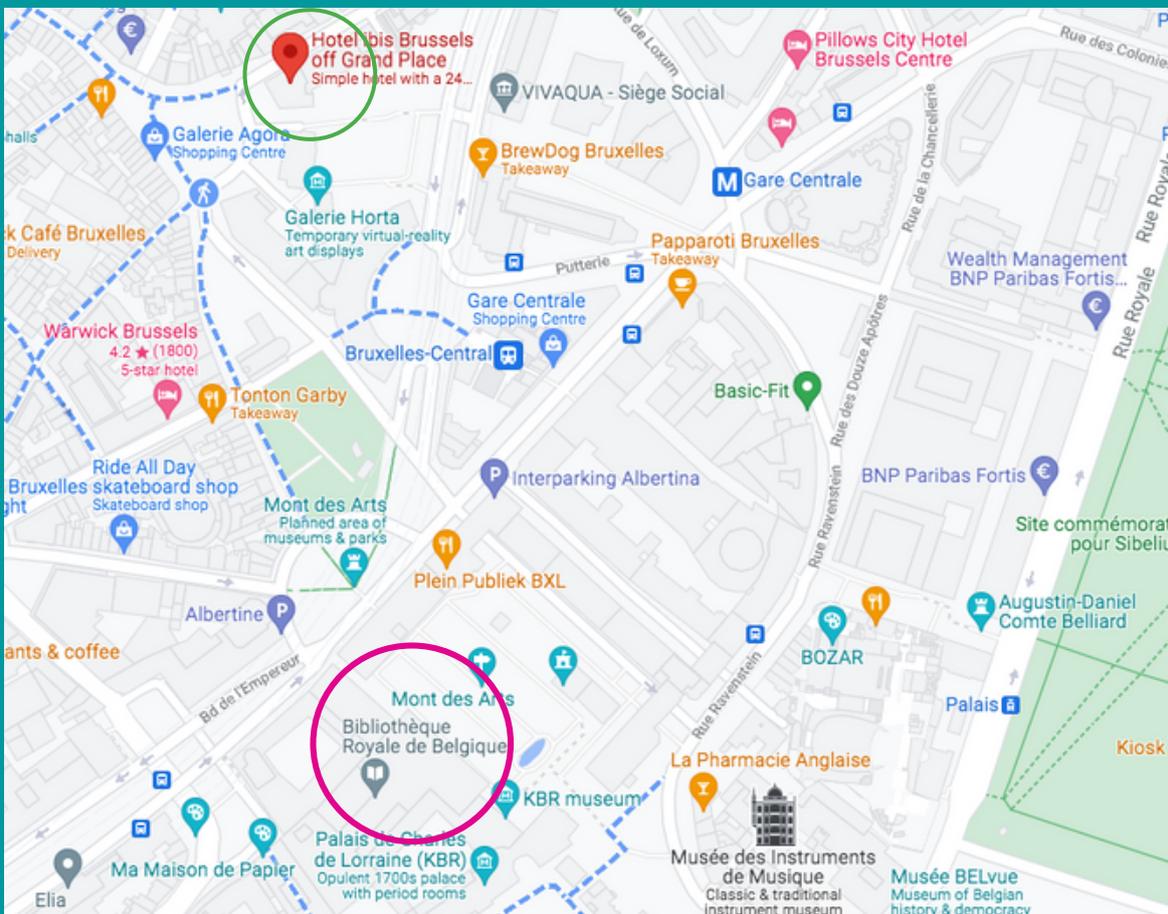
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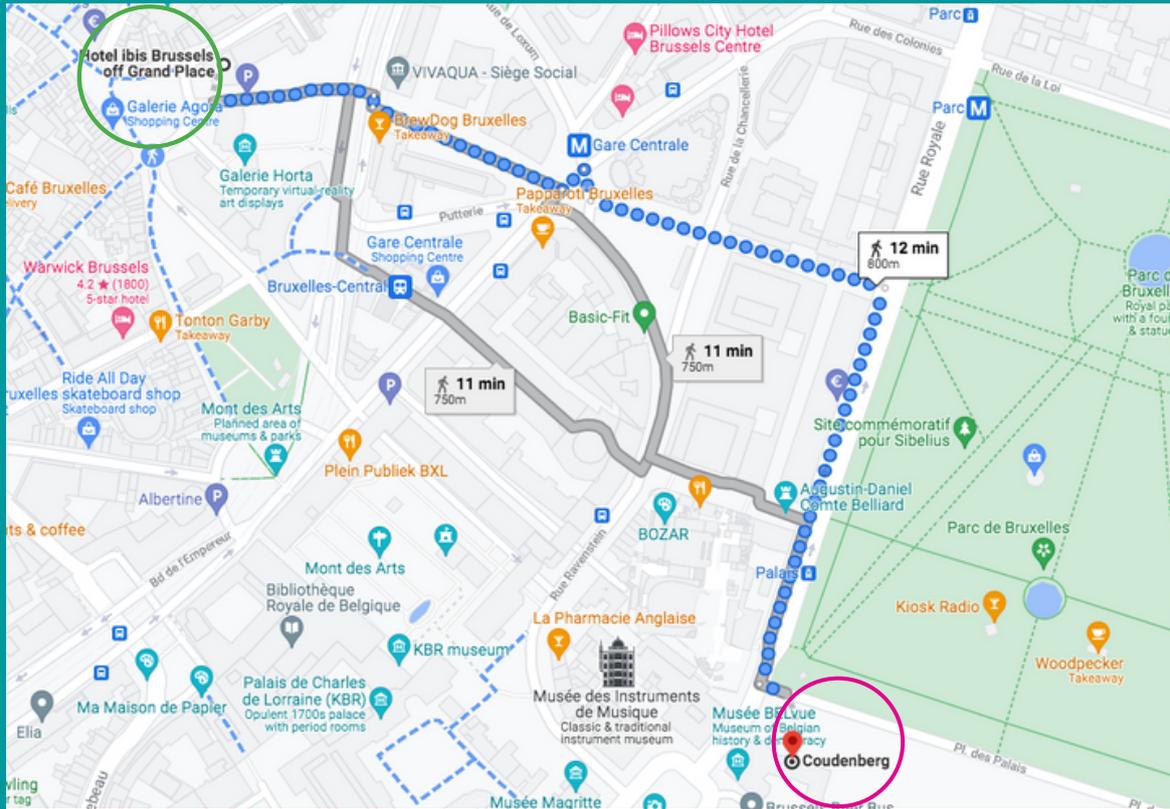
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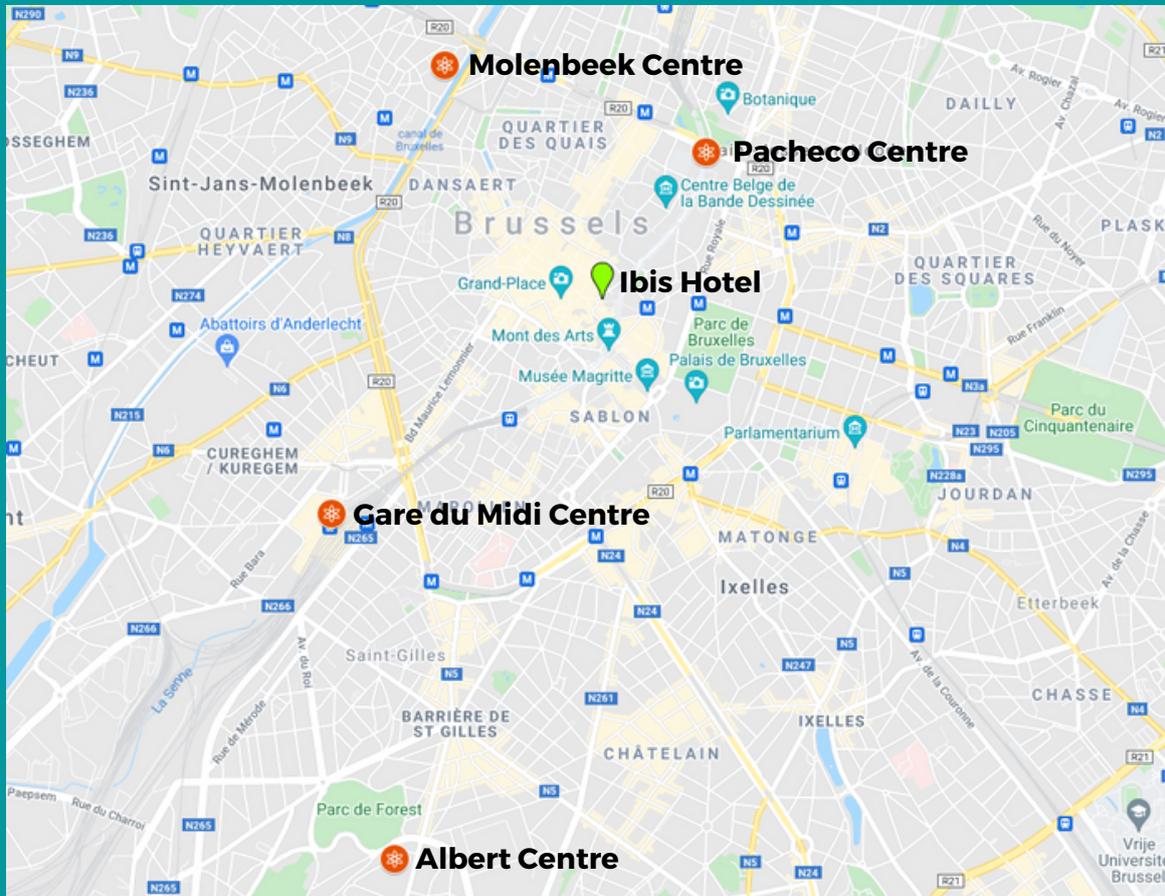
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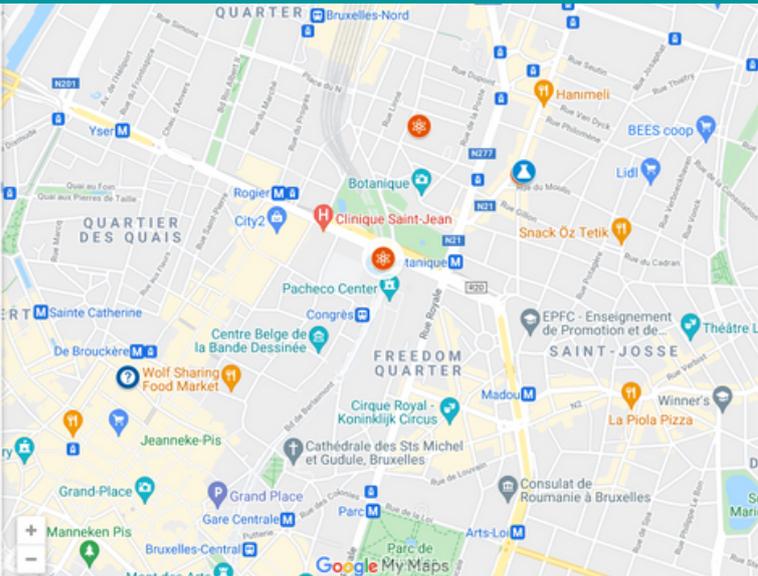Gare du Midi - 47b Avenue Fonsny 1060 Saint-Gilles

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description

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www.testcovid.be (personnes avec NISS/BISS - Personen met NISS/BISS)
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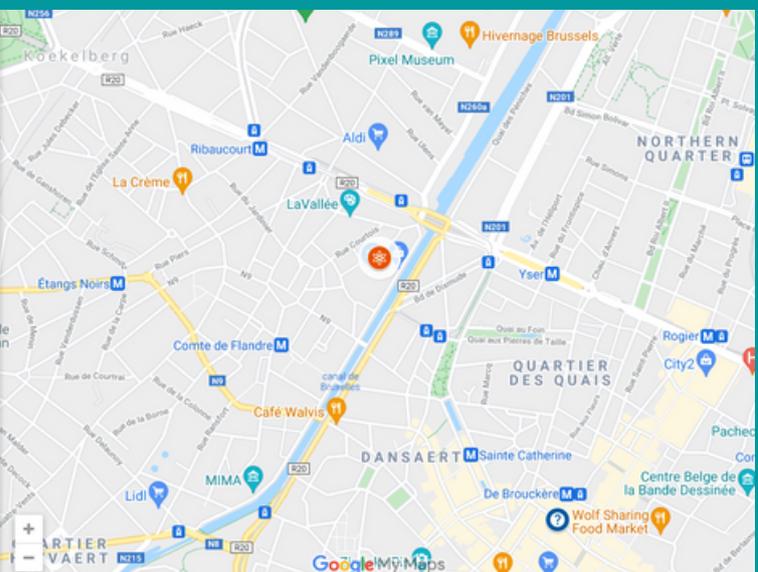
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Uniquement sur RDV / Alleen op Afspraak:
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Zonder INSZ/BIS-mogelijkheid om ter plaatse te komen maar altijd met een voorschrift of CTPC code!

Molenbeek Centre

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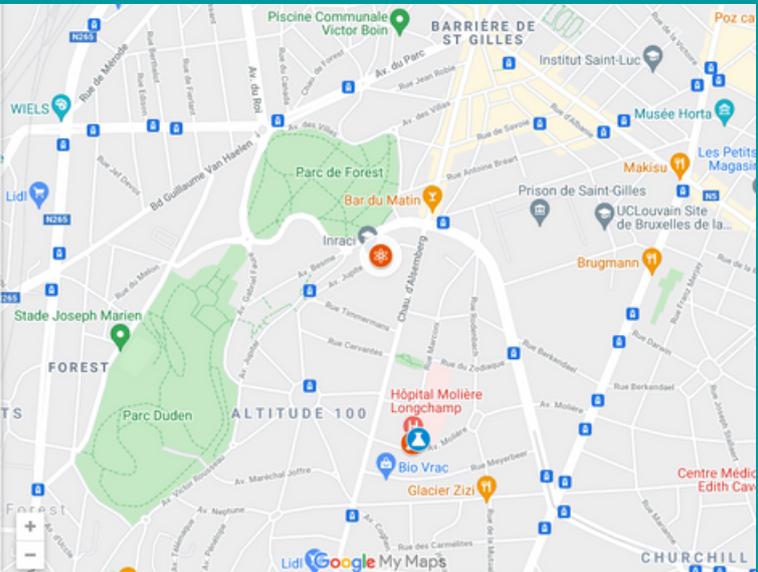Avenue Jupiter 201 - Jupiterlaan 201, 1190 Forest - Vorst

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