





Paris, 21 August 2018

- Conference circular #2 -

Dear colleagues,

The CSAIO Scientific Committee is pleased to invite you to its 19th annual Conference of Staff Associations of International Organisations:

11 and 12 October 2018 At the European Parliament Rue Wiertz 60, 1047 Brussels, Belgium

Any participants wishing to do so may attend an informal session on the follow-up to the previous conference on the morning of Thursday 11 October.

Please register at <u>http://csaio.web.cern.ch/next-conference</u> before 26 September 2018.

Two participants per International Organisation can register.

To get registered, you must first <u>create an external account</u> via an easy and quick process. If you already have an account but lost your password, reset it <u>here</u>.

This 19th Conference is a follow-up to the previous conferences organised annually since 2000. This series of conferences aims to bring together staff representatives from international organisations whose headquarters or main offices are in Europe to discuss topics of common interest. For more information on the CSAIO, please check the conference website http://csaio.web.cern.ch/

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Discussion topics

A. Job classification and salary structure (changes in jobs and salary structures, impact on careers, etc.)

There have been significant changes in the salary structures and job classifications of some Organisations with, for example, the introduction of single-spine grades and steps, and of job families. What are the benefits and drawbacks of these different structures? How are these measures being applied to serving staff (continued application of the previous salary grid or implementation of the new system, introduction of interim measures, etc.)? What are the repercussions of these changes on career progression?

B. Performance evaluation and its consequences for career development

There is currently increasing criticism of annual performance evaluations on the grounds that they are no longer suited to the needs or pace of Organisations. That said, efforts to make comprehensive changes to the systems in place remain few and far between. Current procedures for performance evaluation are in many cases time-consuming and costly. Moreover, they do not meet the expectations of members of staff, who want more feedback, more recognition and more visibility on their career path. In view of this, what avenues can be explored to improve our systems? Should the annual meeting focus on staff expertise and development? Should performance evaluation take collective involvement into greater consideration (individual contribution to a collective performance and/or project)?

C. Role of Staff Representatives

Staff Representatives are essential to the proper running of our Staff Associations/Committees, and their role can sometimes vary significantly from one International Organisation to the next. Similarly, their role within an Organisation can change according to their status and elective office. Staff Representatives have a wide range of missions, from simply listening to what their colleagues have to say to conducting direct negotiations with the Administration. We invite you to review the multi-faceted missions of Staff Representatives, as well as the limits to their remit. It will also be interesting to specify, when applicable, the assistance they receive to successfully accomplish their mission.

If you would like to make a presentation during <u>session A or B</u> (there are currently enough speakers for session C), please state as much in the electronic registration form and get in touch before 26 September 2018.

Presentations should not last more than 15 minutes and can be made either in English or French.







Draft programme

Thursday 11 October					
9:30-10:00	Welcoming coffee and conference registration				
10:00-12:00	Informal session Evolution of the topics discussed during the previous conference and discussions.				
12:00-14:00	Lunch				
13:30-14:00	Conference registration (continued).				
14:00-16:00	Session A. Job classification and salary structure Presentations.				
16:00-16:30	Coffee break				
16:30-18:00	Session A. Job classification and salary structure (continued) Discussion.				
20:00	Dinner				

Friday 12 October

9:00-10:30	Session B. Performance evaluation and its consequences for career development Presentations.
10:30-10:45	Coffee break
10:45-12:00	Session B. Performance evaluation and its consequences for career development (continued) Discussion.
12:00-13:30	Lunch
13:30-14:15	Preparation of the next conference Discussion on the venue and structure, as well as on topics to be addressed.
14:15-15:30	Session C. Role of Staff Representatives Presentations.
15:30-16:00	Coffee break
16:00-16:45	Session C. Role of Staff Representatives (continued) Discussion.
16:45-17:00	Conference wrap-up Members of the CSAIO Scientific Committee will summarize the conference.







Practical information

1. Summary record

A report on the conference, along with all of the presentations, will be published on the <u>CSAIO</u> website after the conference.

2. Languages

Simultaneous interpretation in English and French will be provided throughout the conference.

3. Meals during the conference

The conference dinner, which is a paying event, will take place on Thursday evening. The cost of lunch on 11 and 12 October is covered by the organisers.

Please state in the electronic registration form, before 26 September, whether you would like to attend the dinner on Thursday 11 October.

4. Hotels

There is a major event taking place in Brussels during the week of 8 October and many hotels are already full. **We recommend that you book your accommodation as soon as possible**. You will find <u>an indicative and non-exhaustive list of hotels on page 5</u>.

5. Financial contribution

As usual, there is no registration fee.

6. Application for accreditation

To allow the Accreditation Unit of the European Parliament to prepare your access badge, it is important that you send the following information to the address <u>capoi@ep.europa.eu</u>:

- Complete First name(s) and LAST NAME(S)
- Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)
- Nationality
- Type of identity document
- No. of the identity document
- Any additional information (request for additional assistance, etc.)

This deadline for submitting this information is **18:00 on 26 September (Brussels time)**.

7. Security

We recommend that you arrive early on the first day of the Conference in order to obtain your badge and clear security, where you will be asked to present identification (identity card, passport).

<u>Disclaimer</u>

It is up to each participant to take out insurance. Please note that the CSAIO Scientific Committee cannot be held responsible.







List of hotels

This list of hotels is for information purposes only and subject to availability.

www.almahotel.be www.hotelbedford.be www.atlas-hotel.be www.parkinn.com/hotel-brussels www.hotel-mozart.be www.hotelmarivaux.be easyhotelbenelux.com/brussels-city-centre www.chelton.be www.jamhotel.be/hotel www.villa-royale.be www.lebergerhotel.be www.hotelbrusselsbelgium.com www.hotel-des-colonies.com www.yadoyahotel.be warwickhotels.com/fr/brussels www.hotelbarry.com www.hyggehotel.be www.accorhotels.com/gb/hotel-1454-ibis-brussels-city-centre www.arishotel.be www.hotelscombined.fr www.florishotelarlequin.be www.hotellalegende.com www.nh-hotels.fr/booking/step1-rates?fini=10/10/2018&fout=12/10/2018&hotelId=BEBR.SABLO www.nh-hotels.com/hotel/nh-brussels-eu-berlaymont www.starwoodhotels.com www.accorhotels.com/gb/hotel-A990-ibis-brussels-erasmus www.thehotel-brussels.be www.motel-one.com www.aqua-hotel-brussels.com www.thonhotels.com www.hotel-leopold.be www.parkhotelbrussels.be www.martinshotels.com

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Getting to the European Parliament

By train (see <u>Annex A</u>)

Brussels-Luxembourg station

This station is two minutes on foot from the European Parliament buildings.

- Brussels-Midi station
- From here, please allow around 25 minutes to get to the European Parliament by: metro: lines 2 or 6 to "Trône";

- bus :

- o line 27 to "Luxembourg"; or
- o from metro stop "Trône" take lines 27, 34, 38, 64, 80 or 95 to "Luxembourg";

- train : lines IR and CR towards "Louvain-La-Neuve-Univ.", or line IC towards "Namur-Luxembourg", alighting at "Bruxelles-Luxembourg".

- Brussels Central station
- To get to the European Parliament, please allow:

- 15 minutes by bus: take line 38 to "Luxembourg"; or

- 20 minutes by train: take lines IR and CR towards "Louvain-La-Neuve-Univ.", or line IC towards "Namur-Luxembourg", alighting at "Bruxelles-Luxembourg".

• Brussels-North station

From here, please allow around 15 minutes to get to the European Parliament by:

- train: take lines IR and CR towards "Louvain-La-Neuve-Univ.", or line IC towards "Namur-Luxembourg", alighting at "Bruxelles-Luxembourg".

By plane (see <u>Annex A</u>)

Brussels Airport (<u>www.brusselsairport.be</u>) is around 35 minutes from the European Parliament by bus. Take lines 12 (Monday to Friday until 20:00) and 21 (after 20:00 Mon-Fri, weekends and bank holidays) to "Luxembourg".

For more information, visit the website of the "<u>Airport Line</u>" connection service.

Taxis are available in front of the Arrivals hall and it costs around EUR 45 to get to the centre of Brussels. Licensed taxis can be recognised by their blue and yellow nameplates.

Summary of transport options in Brussels (see Annexes A and B)

- Closest Metro stations to the European Parliament:
 - "Maelbeek", on lines 1 and 5;
 - "Trône", on lines 2 and 6.
- Bus routes with stops at the European Parliament: lines 12, 21, 27, 34, 38, 64, 80 and 95.
- On foot

A 20-minute walk from the town centre to the European Parliament..







• By bicycle

"Villo!" is the name of the public bicycle-rental service in Brussels. You can pick up a bicycle from one station and drop it off at another. There are three "Villo!" stations near the European Parliament.

We recommend using public transport to come to the Conference as there is only limited parking available in the area around the European Parliament.





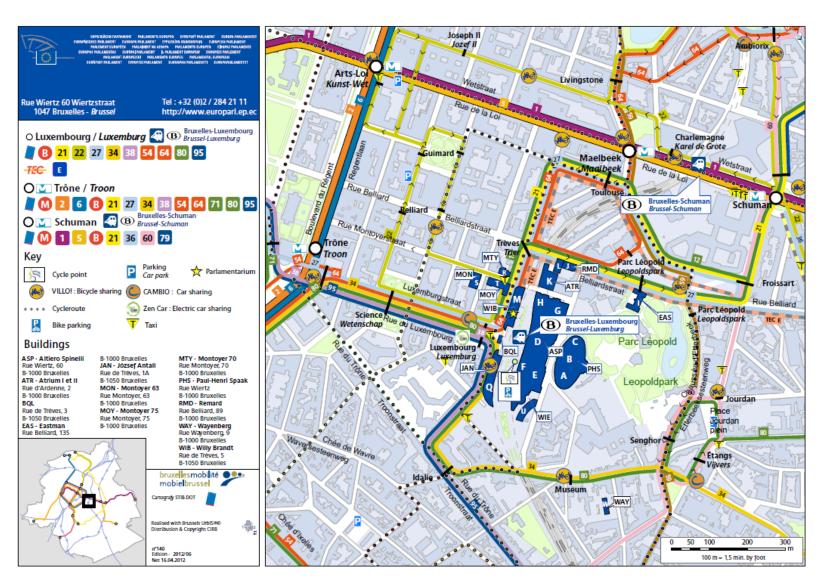


Annex A: public transport to the European Parliament

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How to get to	European	Parliament	V A	Lines	PM	С	PS
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	North-South railway connection			B 21 Luxembourg - NATO Luxemburg - NATO	12	15	12
	- <u>S</u>	- Druveller Nord		B 27 Gare du Midi - Andromède Zuldstation - Andromesta	10	15	12
Bruxelles-Midi Brussel-Zuid	Bruxelles-Central Brussel-Centraal	Brussel-Noord	Brussels Airport	B 64 Machelen - Porte de Namur Machelen - Naamsepoort	6	12	6
Drusser-Zulu	Brusser-Centruar	Brusser-Noord		Luxembourg / Luxemburg			
	Gare Centrale	Bruxelles-Nord		B 12 Brussels Airport - Luxemburg Brussels Airport - Luxemburg	30	20	30
Gare du Midi Zuidstation	2' Gare Centrale Centraal Station & 2'	Bruxelles-Nord Brussel-Noard	Brussels Airport & 2'	B 22 Luxembourg - Montgomery Luxemburg - Montgomery	15	15	15
		Direction:		B 34 Porte de Namur - Sainte-Anne Naamsepoort - Sint-Anna	7'30	20	7'30
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Luxembourg By 2	2' Brusser-Central			B 36 Schuman - Konkel	12	15	12
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	IR Louvain-La-Neuve-Univ.			B 79 Schuman - Kraainem	12	15	12
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	IC Namur-Luxembourg				aximum wa	aiting	time
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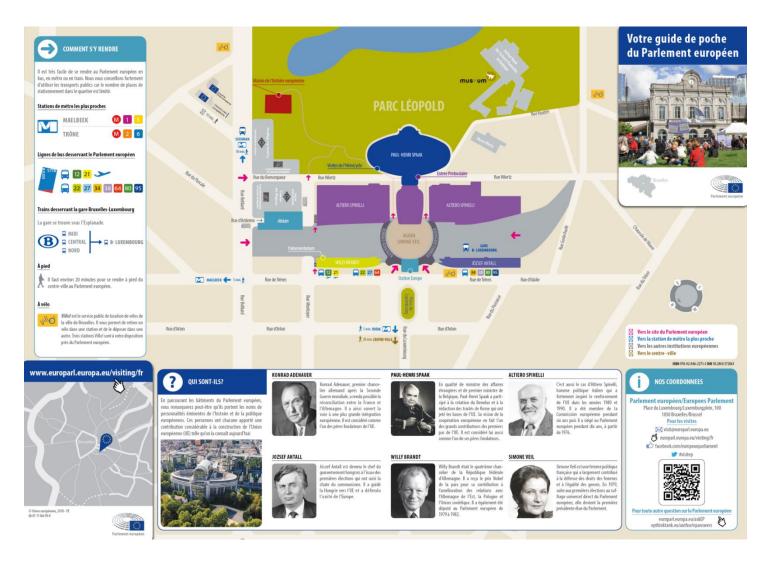








Annex B: public transport near the European Parliament







Annex C: information for people with reduced mobility

