



12th MC Meeting and Final Workshop

Travelling to Louvain-la-Neuve

1. By air

From [Brussels Airport](#) (Zaventem), beginning at 5:30 am, you can travel by train to Louvain-la-Neuve. Seven days a week, from 9:00 am to midnight, four trains per hour depart the airport for Brussels-North station, where you have to change trains to continue to Louvain-la-Neuve (not to be confused with Louvain, the French translation of Leuven).

[Brussels South Charleroi Airport](#) serves low-cost airlines. It is located 40 km from Louvain-la-Neuve. TEC buses take you from the airport to the Charleroi South station. Trains depart until 9:57 pm to Ottignies, from which a connecting train takes you to Louvain-la-Neuve-Université station in eight minutes.

2. By train

Louvain-la-Neuve-Université station is directly linked to the railway junction of Ottignies, on the Brussels-Namur railway line, with two trains per hour in each direction, including on weekends.

Attention: Do not confuse Louvain-la-Neuve with Louvain (the French translation of the Flemish city of Leuven, home of KULeuven), which is another city on another railway line.

- Louvain-la-Neuve is approximately 30 minutes from **Brussels**; change in **Ottignies** for the train to 'Louvain-la-Neuve-Université'. Direct trains take a bit longer.
- If you travel from **Luxembourg**, change in **Ottignies** (if you take the EC 96 Iris or EC 90 Vauban train that originates in Switzerland, change in **Namur** for a train to **Ottignies**).
- If you travel from **any other country**, change in **Brussels-Nord**. Otherwise, change in **Brussels-Midi**, from which depart all trains to **Ottignies** via **Brussels-Central**, Brussels-Nord, Brussels-Schuman and Brussels-Luxembourg.

Schedules are available on the [Belgian Railways](#) website.

Venue

The meeting will take place in the [Sainte-Barbe](#) building of [UClouvain campus](#) (the campus is spread over the whole city, so it is useless to ask people on the street where the campus is located, as both the city and the campus are intertwined).



Hotels

There are only two hotels in Louvain-la-Neuve. Rooms have been provisionally booked at both hotels, though the release date of the block-booking for one hotel will be in November, hence you are advised to book as early as possible.

Note that Louvain-la-Neuve is a pedestrian city, so that walking is the best option to reach the venue (using your own or a rental car is possible, but taxis are rare).

1) Martin's Hotel

[Martin's hotel](#) is centrally located in the city (with easy walking access to restaurants and shops) and is located 1 km from the venue (see maps on next page). The negotiated rate is 120 EUR per night, including breakfast (studios are available. Parking is available for a fee.

To book a room, use the following link: <https://reservations.cubilis.eu/martins-louvain-la-neuve> and use the following booking code: UCL260120. **The block-booking expires on November 1st, 2019: after that date, availability cannot be guaranteed.**

2) Ibis Styles Hotel

[Ibis Styles](#) hotel is located 1.7 km from the venue, close to the Louvain-la-Neuve woods (if you come with your own car, this is the best choice, as parking is free at the hotel). The negotiated rate is 95 EUR per night, including breakfast (for single use).

To book a room, complete [this form](#) and email/fax it as detailed in the form. **The block-booking expires on December 20th, 2019: after that date, availability cannot be guaranteed.**

3) Youth Hostel

A room in a Youth Hostel can also be an alternative: here is the link to Louvain-la-Neuve Youth Hostel (only in French/Dutch, but you can click on the “Contact” link and send emails in English: <https://www.kaleo-asbl.be/fr/gites/louvain-la-neuve/>. Rates start at 20 EUR per night (shared rooms).

Gala Dinner

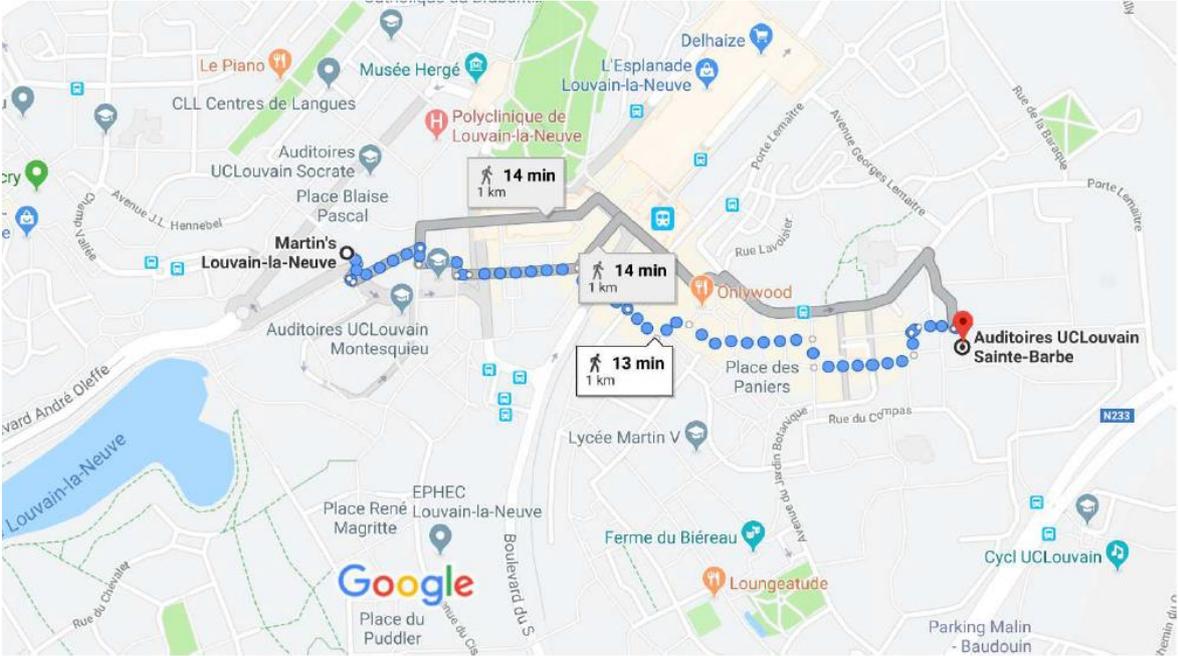
The gala dinner will take place on January 28, 2020, in the beautiful Bayard castle, some 15 km from Louvain-la-Neuve. Transportation to and from the venue will be provided by busses.



Finding your way in Louvain-la-Neuve

[From the train station](#)

[From Martin's Hotel](#)



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[From Ibis Styles Hotel](#)

