



Belgian Economic Mission

**UNITED
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9 - 12 May 2022

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**Programme of the Belgian Economic Mission to the United Kingdom
presided over by HRH Princess Astrid of Belgium, Representative of His Majesty the King**

HE TINNE VAN DER STRAETEN, Minister of Energy

HE JAN JAMBON, Minister-President of the Government of Flanders and Flemish Minister for Foreign Policy, Culture, Digitisation and Facilities

HE WILLY BORSUS, Vice-President of the Walloon Government, Minister of Economy, Foreign Trade, Research and Innovation, New Technologies, Agriculture and Urban and Spatial Planning

HE PASCAL SMET, State Secretary of the Brussels-Capital Region, responsible for Urbanism and Heritage, European and International Relations, Foreign Trade, Firefighting and Emergency Medical Assistance

SUNDAY 8 MAY 2022

Brussels – London

HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King, and Ministers

Business delegation

14:00 -14:20	Check-in at Brussels Midi/Zuid railway station	13:00-13:45
14:52	Departure Eurostar 9141 from Brussels to London with stop in Lille at 15:30 (travel time: 2h13)	14:52
16:05	Arrival at London St Pancras International Station	16:05
	<p>Welcome by HE Bruno van der Pluijm, Ambassador of Belgium in the United Kingdom, Mr Nicholas Jarrold, Special Representative of the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, Gareth Williams, Strategy Director and Company Secretary at Eurostar and Victor Murgioni, Duty Station Manager</p>	
16:15-16:40	<p>Motorcade transfer of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers from London St Pancras International Station to the InterContinental London Park Lane</p>	
		16:20-17:00
16:40	Arrival of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers at the InterContinental London Park Lane	
	<p>Welcome by Claus Pedersen, General Manager of InterContinental London Park Lane</p> <p>Address: One Hamilton Place, Park Lane, London W1J 7QY</p>	
		17:00
	Check-in of the delegation at the InterContinental London Park Lane	
	Address: One Hamilton Place, Park Lane, London W1J 7QY	

SUNDAY 8 MAY 2022

London

HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King, and Ministers

Business delegation

18:30-20:15

Information session for the Belgian delegation followed by a welcome networking drink

18:00-20:15

Introductory speech by HE Bruno van der Pluijm, Ambassador of Belgium in the United Kingdom
Information about the business programme and business tips by the regional Economic and Commercial Attachés in London
Welcome networking drink

Lead: Embassy of Belgium
Venue: Ballroom on the Mezzanine floor at the InterContinental London Park Lane
Participants: all delegation members

The secretariat of the mission is located in Covent Garden room on the Mezzanine floor at the InterContinental London Park Lane and will be operational from 7 to 12 May 2022.

MONDAY 9 MAY 2022

London

HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King, and Ministers

Business delegation

07:00-09:00

Breakfast debate
Belgium & the UK, a sustainable partnership.
Business environment outlook, challenges & opportunities

07:00 Registration & breakfast buffet
07:25 Welcome by Max Jadot, Chairman of the Executive Board and CEO of BNP Paribas Fortis
07:30 Opening words by HE Tinne Van der Straeten, Minister of Energy
07:40 Keynote on the outlook for the UK economy by Paul Hollingsworth, Chief Economist BNP Paribas UK
08:00 Panel discussion on opportunities and challenges of doing business in UK moderated by Simon Gates, Head of Corporate Clients, BNP Paribas UK and with Daan Schalck, CEO North Sea Port, Paul De Bruycker, CEO Indaver, Anne Marie Verstraeten, Country Head BNPP UK and Michel Vanhoonacker, Chairman Belgian - Luxembourg Chamber of Commerce in Great Britain
08:40 Q&A
08:50 Concluding remarks by Annemarie Verstraeten, Country Head BNP Paribas UK

Lead: BNP Paribas Fortis
Venue: Ballroom 2 on the Mezzanine floor at the InterContinental London Park Lane
Participants: 80 to 100 guests upon invitation

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London

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Business delegation

<p>08:00-09:00</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Success Stories Breakfast</p> <p>07:40 Arrival of the invited Belgian business delegation and their local partner 08:00 Arrival of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers. Welcome by Bart De Smet, President of FEB and Pieter Timmermans, CEO of FEB 08:05 Words of welcome by Pieter Timmermans 08:10 Testimonial by each invited Belgian business leader 08:50 Conclusions by Bart De Smet 08:55 Group picture 09:00 Departure of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers</p> <p>Lead: The Federation of Enterprises in Belgium (FEB) Venue: Grays room on the Mezzanine floor at the InterContinental London Park Lane Participants: 30 guests upon invitation</p>	<p>07:40-09:00</p>
	<p style="text-align: center; color: blue;">Bus transfer from the InterContinental to Maxwell Centre - Cavendish Laboratory (Cambridge) with bus AWEX CT1 and CT2</p> <p style="text-align: center;">B2B meetings</p> <p>Lead: AWEX, hub.brussels and Flanders Investment & Trade Venue: on the premises of the UK companies</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Best of Belgian Sports Technology – PART 1</p> <p>09:00 Registration of the guests 09:30 Opening of the seminar by Diego Algaba 09:40 Welcome words by the President of the Club Nicolas Bourdon 09:50 Pitches by the member companies 11:00 Debate</p> <p>Lead: Agoria Sports & Entertainment Technology Club Venue: Ballroom 1 on the Mezzanine floor at the InterContinental London Park Lane Participants: 100 guests upon invitation</p>	<p>08:30-10:00</p> <p>All day</p> <p>09:00-11:20</p>

MONDAY 9 MAY 2022

London

HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King, and Ministers

Business delegation

09:15-09:20

Motorcade transfer of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers from the InterContinental London Park Lane to the Ghelamco offices

09:20-09:55

Visit of Ghelamco

- 09:20 Arrival of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers and welcome by Paul Gheysens, CEO, Ria Vandoorne, CEO, Marie-Julie Gheysens, Manager Ghelamco UK and Michael Gheysens, Manager Ghelamco Belgium
- 09:25 Presentation on the activities and projects of Ghelamco – We create the Future Today
- 09:35 Live Stream of The Arc – First UK mixed use development of Ghelamco in UK
- 09:40 Introduction of the panel : **Future Proofing in Real Estate : Cities that Unleash Positive Human Energy** by Chris Sanderson, Future Laboratory together with Marie-Julie Gheysens
- 09:50 Photo opportunity next to the project model – The Arc
- 09:55 Departure of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers

Lead: Ghelamco
 Venue: Ghelamco offices London
 Address: 49 Berkeley Square London W1J 5AZ
 Participants: Restricted official delegation

Digital Health and Collaboration between the UK and Belgium

09:30-18:00

- 09:30 Registration of guests
- 10:00 Welcome by Blackwell MBE, Chief Digital Officer for London
- 10:05 “Introduction to the London Life Sciences ecosystem” by Dr. Ivana Poparic, Head of Life Sciences Cluster Development MedCity
- 10:15 “Introduction to the Belgian Life Sciences ecosystem” by Yves Verschueren, Director General at Essenscia
- 10:25 Pitches by UK Companies
- 11:30 Networking coffee break
- 12:00 Pitches by Belgian Companies
- 13:15 Networking lunch
- 14:00 Panel “Digital Health and Collaboration Belgium-UK
 Moderator: Medcity
- 15:30 Networking coffee break
- 16:00 Panel “Research and evidence generation for digital technologies - pathway to a successful launch in the UK”
 Moderator: UCLPartners
- 17:00 Closing remarks by Dr. Ivana Poparic, Head of Life Sciences Cluster Development MedCity
- 17:05 Networking drinks

Lead: AWEX
 Venue: Leadenhall, Marylebone and Petticoat (lunch: Ballroom 3) on the Mezzanine floor at the InterContinental London Park Lane
 Participants: 100 guests upon invitation

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**“The cleantech sector in the UK and in Belgium:
a vibrant community for a more sustainable future”**

10:00-15:40

- 10:00 Arrival of the guests and welcome coffee
- 10:30 Welcome and introduction
- 10:35 Highlight of the cleantech sector in the UK by Martin Garratt, CEO of Cambridge Cleantech
- 10:45 Highlight of the cleantech sector in Belgium by Gilles Colson, Head of International Affairs & Marketing at Greenwin and Charlotte Struye, Deputy Director at Cleantech Flanders
 - Energy with a focus on Hydrogen
- 11:00 Materials Research University of Cambridge by Dr. Lata Sahonta, Research Manager at Energy Transitions Interdisciplinary Research Centre of the University of Cambridge
- 11:10 Industry view by Kalyan Sarma, External Innovation Manager at Johnson Matthey
- 11:20 Case study by Aran Bates, co-Founder of Hydrologiq
- 11:25 Case study by Peter Grogard, Managing Director at Von Karman Institute for Fluid Dynamics
- 11:30 Q&A followed by a break
 - Smart Cities with a focus on green buildings
- 12:00 Research highlight by Professor Jennifer Schooling, Director of the Centre for Smart Infrastructure, University of Cambridge
- 12:10 Industry view by Oliver Smith, Director at 5th Studio
- 12:20 Case study by Rozalie Ryclova, Co-founder and COO at Thermulon
- 12:25 Case study by Olivier Mal, Marketing Director at AGC Solar
- 12:30 Q&A

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London

HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King, and Ministers

Business delegation

09:55-10:00

Motorcade transfer of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers from the Ghelamco offices to the Residence

10:00-10:20

Bestowing of the decoration of Commander of the Order of the Crown upon Sir Adrian Bradshaw, KCB OBE DL, Governor of the Royal Hospital

Lead: Embassy of Belgium
 Venue: Residence of the Ambassador of Belgium
 Address: 36 Belgrave Square, SW1X 8QB London
 Participants: Restricted official delegation

10:20-10:25

Motorcade transfer of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers from the Residence to InterContinental London Park Lane

13:00 Networking Lunch
 14:00 Start of the afternoon sessions:
 ROOM 1 Roundtable: "Retrofitting for private and public buildings: the challenges and rewards"
 ROOM 2 Roundtable: "Energy with a focus on Hydrogen – Energy policies; is hydrogen part of the solution or THE solution?"
 15:00 Networking
 15:30 Bus tour around the modern facilities

Lead: AWEX
 Venue: Maxwell Centre - Cavendish Laboratory
 Address: JJ Thomson Avenue, Cambridge CB3 0HE
 Participants: Approximately 50 guests upon invitation

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HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King, and Ministers

Business delegation

11:30-12:20

Best of Belgian Sports Technology Agoria/ Memorial Van Damme – PART 2

11:20-12:20

- 11:30 Arrival of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers. Welcome by Nicolas Bourdon, President of the Agoria Sports & Entertainment Technology Club, Wilfried Meert, President of Memorial Van Damme, Kim Gevaert (ex-athlete), Tournament Director of Memorial Van Damme
- 11:35 Welcome words by Nicolas Bourdon and Wilfried Meert including short interview with the ex-Olympic athlete Kim Gevaert
- 11:45 Speech by HE Pascal Smet, State Secretary of the Brussels-Capital Region
- 11:55 Speech by John Crabtree OBE, President of the UK Commonwealth Games 2022 organizing committee and TBC Lord Sebastian Coe
- 12:05 Showcase “Best of Belgium Sports Technology”
- 12:15 Photo opportunity
- 12:20 Departure of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers

Lead: Agoria Sports & Entertainment Technology Club together with hub.brussels
Venue: Ballroom 1 on the Mezzanine floor at the InterContinental London Park Lane
Participants: 100 guests upon invitation

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HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King, and Ministers

Business delegation

12:30-14:00

Investment Power Lunch

12:00 Arrival of the British guests and welcome drink
12:30 Arrival of HRH Princess Astrid of Belgium and the Ministers
12:35 Brief welcome by HE Bruno van der Pluijm
12:37 Introduction speech by HE Tinne Van der Straeten, Minister of Energy
12:45 First course is served
12:55 “Doing Business in Belgium” by Peter Peumans, CTO Health Technologies at IMEC
13:10 Main course is served
13:21 “Doing Business in Belgium” by Roger Connor, President of Vaccines and Global Health at GSK
13:32 Dessert is served
13:42 Closing remarks by HE Pascal Smet, State Secretary of the Brussels-Capital Region
13:45 Dessert, coffee and tea are served
14:00 Departure of HRH Princess Astrid of Belgium and the Ministers

Lead: hub.brussels
Venue: Ballroom 2 on the Mezzanine floor at the InterContinental London Park Lane
Participants: 70 guests upon invitation

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Business delegation

<p>14:15-14:30</p>	<p>Motorcade transfer of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers from the InterContinental London Park Lane to the Chelsea Pensioners London Gate</p>	<p>Bus transfer from the InterContinental London Park Lane to the Chelsea Pensioners London Gate with bus VLAM</p> <p>British-Belgian trade in food & beverages – PART 1 Business seminar “The ins and outs of the UK food & beverage market”</p> <p>13:45 Registration of participants 14:00 BE-UK trade in food & beverages post-Brexit by Ilke Bliki, Brexit Coordinator at FIT 14:30 Insights in UK retail landscape & consumer trends for Belgian food and beverages by Simon Waring, UK retail expert and food marketing consultant Green Seed 15:00 E-commerce in the UK: logistics, regulations and opportunities for Belgian food and beverage producers by Daan Devlieger, Director Global Trade Advisory, Deloitte 15:30 Network opportunity</p> <p>Lead: Federation of the Belgian Food Industry (Fevia) Venue: Grays room on the Mezzanine floor at the InterContinental London Park Lane Participants: 40 guests upon invitation</p>	<p>13:30-14:00</p> <p>13:45-16:00</p>
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HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King, and Ministers

Business delegation

14:30-15:00

**Present of a Belgian garden:
created by the Flemish Agricultural Marketing Board (VLAM)
and landscape architect Peter Wirtz**

14:30 Arrival of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers. Welcome by General Sir Adrian Bradshaw KCB OBE DL, Governor of the Royal Hospital. Short explanations on the Chelsea Pensioners Royal Hospital and its history.

14:33 Walk to the Ranelagh Gardens via the Garden Gate. Explanations on the history of the Royal Horticultural Society and the Chelsea Flower Show by Gemma Lake, Chelsea Show Manager

14:37 Meet and greet with three In-Pensioners

14:40 Welcome by HE Hilde Crevits, Vice-Minister-President of the Flemish Government and Filip Fontaine, CEO VLAM

14:41 Walk down to the Belgian garden, followed by a meet and greet with the Belgian horticultural companies

14:45 Short address by HE Hilde Crevits

14:47 Ribbon cutting followed by a photo opportunity

14:50 Introduction to the garden by architect Peter Wirtz, explanation on the chosen plants and Belgian horticulture

14:55 Walk to the vehicles

14:56 Signing of the golden book

15:00 Departure of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers

Lead: VLAM

Venue: Ranelagh Gardens at the Chelsea Pensioners - Royal Hospital

Address: Royal Hospital Road, London SW3 4SR

Participants: 50 guests upon invitation

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London

HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King, and Ministers

Business delegation

15:10-15:30

Motorcade transfer of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers from the Chelsea Pensioners London Gate to the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office – Ambassador’s entrance

15:30-16:00

**Meeting with
The Rt Hon James Cleverly MP, Minister of State (Minister for Europe and North America)**

Arrival of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers and welcome by TBC
Transfer to the Ambassador’s waiting room on the first floor
Welcoming by The Rt Hon James Cleverly MP
Photo opportunity
Meeting
Departure of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers

Lead: Embassy of Belgium
Venue: **India Office Council Chamber**
Address: Horse Guards Road, London
Participants: Restricted official delegation

Transfer from the Chelsea Pensioners London Gate to the InterContinental London Park Lane with vehicles O1, O2 and bus VLAM

15:15-15:50

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Business delegation

16:00-16:20

Motorcade transfer of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers from the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office – Ambassador’s entrance to the InterContinental London Park Lane

Bus transfer from the Maxwell Centre - Cavendish Laboratory (Cambridge) to the InterContinental London Park Lane with bus AWEX CT1 and CT2

15:40-17:40

Arbitration and Digitalisation: a perfect match

16:00-18:30

16:00 Arrival of the guests
 16:10 Opening speech by HE Pascal Smet, State Secretary of the Brussels-Capital Region Mrs Isabelle Grippa
 16:20 Welcoming words by Professor Benoît Kohl, President of CEPANI
 16:30 Keynote speech on Arbitration and Digitalisation: a perfect match by Dirk De Meulemeester, Honorary President CEPANI
 16:50 Testimonials by:
 Alexander Uff (Quadrant)
 Kathleen Paisley (Ambos law)
 Claire Morel de Westgaver (Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner)
 17:30 Q&A
 17:45 Networking cocktail

Lead: hub.brussels
 Venue: Ballroom 2 on the Mezzanine floor at the InterContinental London Park Lane
 Participants: 70 guests upon invitation

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Business delegation

16:25-17:15

British-Belgian trade in food & beverages – PART 2 High-level seminar

16:15-17:15

- 16:15 Arrival of the guests
- 16:25 Arrival of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers. Welcome by Bart Buysse, CEO of the Federation of the Belgian Food Industry (Fevia)
- 16:27 Speech by HE Tinne Van der Straeten, Minister of Energy
- 16:32 The British-Belgian trade in food & beverages: partnership for economic recovery by Bart Buysse, Dominic Goudie, Head of International Trade of the Food & Drink Federation, Filip Fontaine, CEO of the Flanders' Agricultural Marketing Board (VLAM) and Phil Hadley, Director for International Market Development at the British Agriculture & Horticulture Development Board
- 16:52 Impact of the Covid-crisis and Brexit on the UK retail and consumer trends: opportunities for Belgian food companies by Simon Waring, Managing Director Green Seed UK
- 17:00 Food logistics:
 - Shipping food & beverages to the UK via Zeebrugge by Tom Hautekiet, CCO of the Port of Antwerp-Bruges
 - Food & beverage logistics & warehousing solutions by Alain Meunier, Advisor to the Board Committee, Weerts Supply Chain
- 17:10 Closing remarks by HE Jan Jambon, Minister-President of the Government of Flanders
- 17:15 Departure of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers

Lead: Federation of the Belgian Food Industry (Fevia)
Venue: Grays room on the Mezzanine floor at the InterContinental London Park Lane
Participants: 80 guests upon invitation

Bus transfer from the InterContinental London Park Lane to the Guildhall with buses D1, D2, D3, D4, D5 and D6 and D7

18:15-19:00

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London

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Business delegation

18:50-19:30

Motorcade transfer of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers from the InterContinental London Park Lane to the Guildhall

19:30-21:00

Belgian Official Reception

19:00-21:30

19:00 Arrival of the guests
 19:30 Arrival of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers and welcome by Alderman William Russell, Lord Mayor of the City of London 2019-2020
 19:45 Speech by HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King

Lead: Belgian Embassy
 Venue: Guildhall
 Address: 71 Basinghall Street, London EC2V 7HH
 Participants: Delegation members and their invited guests

21:00-21:30

Motorcade transfer of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers from the Guildhall to the InterContinental London Park Lane

Bus transfer from the Guildhall to the InterContinental London Park Lane with buses D1, D2, D3, D4, D5, D6 and D7

From 21:10 onwards

TUESDAY 10 MAY 2022

London

HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King, and Ministers

Business delegation

Zeebrugge, your ideal gateway to the UK

07:45-10:00

- 07:45 Registration of guests
- 08:00 Breakfast served
- 08:10 Welcome by Mr Marc Adriansens, President of Association Port of Zeebrugge Interests (APZI)
- 08:15 Opening words by HE Jan Jambon, Minister-President of the Government of Flanders
- 08:20 'Zeebrugge, your ideal gateway to the UK' by Mr. Tom Hautekiet, Chief Commercial Officer Port of Antwerp-Bruges
- 08:25 West Flanders Logistic Gateway to Europe by Mr. Pieter Decloedt, Coordinator Transport & Logistics POM West-Vlaanderen
- 08:35 Testimonial 1 by Emma Wilesmith, Logistics Manager Ireland, Meals & 2XL Mondelez
- 08:45 Testimonial 2 by Sofie Dubois, Customers Service & Logistics Manager Soubry
- 08:55 Closing remarks by APZI
- 09:00 Networking

Lead: APZI

Venue: Grays room on the Mezzanine floor at the InterContinental London Park Lane

Participants: 70 guests upon invitation

Bus transfer from the InterContinental London Park Lane to the Babraham Institute with buses AWEX LS1 and AWEX LS2

08:00-10:00

TUESDAY 10 MAY 2022

London

HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King, and Ministers

Business delegation

08:30-09:10

SEATING TBC Towards net positive cities:

“How Brussels and London can help each other to accelerate the path to net positive companies, buildings and cities by boosting the sharing of innovation between businesses and governments” – PART 1

- 08:00 Registration of guests
- 08:30 Arrival of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers. Welcome by HE Pascal Smet and Johan Beerlandt, Executive Chairman of Besix Group
- 08:35 Welcome by Gabriel Uzgen, CEO BESIX RED - Chair ULI Belgium & Luxembourg
- 08:40 Official speech by HE Pascal Smet, State Secretary of the Brussels-Capital Region
- 08:50 Keynote speech: Roadmap to Net-zero by Marylis Ramos from Savills Earth
- 09:10 Departure of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers
- 09:15 First panel “London and Brussels face the challenges of the 21st century”:
 Steven Beckers, Circular Economy Expert at BoPro
 Sebastian Moreno Vacca, Architect and Founding Partner at A2M
 Ami Kotecha, Co-Founder, Amro Real Estate Partners
 Moderator: Megan Walters, Global Head of Research, Allianz Real Estate

Lead: hub.brussels

Venue: Leadenhall, Marylebone and Petticoat on the Mezzanine floor at the InterContinental London Park Lane

Participants: 100 guests upon invitation

08:00-10:00

B2B meetings

Lead: AWEX, hub.brussels and Flanders Investment & Trade
 Venue: on the premises of the UK companies

All day

TUESDAY 10 MAY 2022

London

HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King, and Ministers

Business delegation

Towards net positive cities: PART 2

10:00-14:15

10:00 Coffee break
10:25 Second panel “How bio-based materials can both decarbonize buildings and increase value?”:
Stephan Kampelmann, Managing Director at Sonian Wood Coop
Raymund Trost, CEO CFE at Woodshapers
Ron Bakker, Founding Partner at PLP Architecture
Ana Gatóo PhD Candidate in Architecture at Centre for Natural Material Innovation
Pertti Vanhanen, Managing Director Europe, at Cromwell European Management Services Limited
Moderator: Steven Ware, Architect and Senior Partner at Art Build
11:10 Third panel “Today, renovation is an economic and environmental necessity”:
Sunita Van Heers, Managing Director at Soreal
Michael Moradiellos, Head of Real Estate at EPEA Benelux
Sheelam Chadha, Country Director Belgium, Atenor
Anette Simpson, Director of development and partnerships, Legal & General Affordable Home - Chair of ULI
Moderator: Hala El-Akl, Senior Director for ESG and Operations, Oxford Properties Group
11:55 Closing remarks by Anette Simpson, Director of Development and Partnerships, Legal & General Affordable Home - Chair of ULI United Kingdom
12:15 Walking lunch

Lead: hub.brussels
Venue: Leadenhall, Marylebone and Petticoat on the Mezzanine floor at the InterContinental London Park Lane
Participants: 100 guests upon invitation

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Business delegation

09:15-10:05

**Ten years of the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights:
Sharing challenges and best practices in implementation**

09:00-10:05

09:00 Arrival of the delegation
 09:15 Arrival of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers
 09:17 Welcome by UK Envoy for Migration and Modern Slavery, Mr. Andrew Patrick
 09:22 Speech by HE Tinne Van der Straeten, Minister for Energy
 09:29 Introduction/Scene-Setter by Prof. Dr. Jan Wouters, Professor of International Law, Director Leuven Centre for Global Governance Studies, KU Leuven
 09:35 Panel discussion with Belgian and UK executives on exploring challenges/best practices in implementing the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights moderated by Prof. Dr. Jan Wouters
 Panelists: Mrs. Elisabeth Van Damme, Director External Communication & Diplomatic relations, GSK Belgium
 Mr. Charles Snoeck, IDH Foundation, on Beyond Chocolate, the Partnership for a sustainable Belgian chocolate industry
 Mr. Francis West, Business Engagement Director Shift
 10:00 Wrap-up of the main takeaways and closing remarks by Prof. Dr. Jan Wouters

Lead: FPS Foreign Affairs
 Venue: Ballroom 1 on the Mezzanine floor at the InterContinental London Park Lane
 Participants: 100 guests upon invitation

10:30-10:40

Motorcade transfer of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers from the InterContinental London to the Institute of Directors

Bus transfer from the InterContinental London Park Lane to the Institute of Directors with bus TCA1 and TCA2

09:30-10:00

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London

HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King, and Ministers

Business delegation

10:40-11:20

EU-UK Trade & Cooperation Agreement (TCA) in practice

10:00-13:00

10:00 Registration of guests arriving via the private entrance
10:40 Arrival of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers and welcome by HE Jan Jambon, Minister-President of the Government of Flanders and Esther Teeken - Chief Operating Officer of Institute of Directors
10:45 Opening words by HE Tinne Van der Straeten, Minister of Energy
10:50 Presentation on 'What have we learned in the last year and what is to come? Import from Europe into the UK.' by Stephen Webb, UK Customs - Border readiness
11:05 Presentation on 'What have we learned in the last year and what is still to come? Export from Belgium to the UK.' by Kristian Vanderwaeren, Administrator General at FPS Finances-Customs & Excise
11:20 Departure of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers and refreshments
11:35 Panel discussion with Daan De Vlieger, Director at Deloitte Global Trade Advisory Belgium, TBC Kuehne & Nagel, Sioen, Ilke Bliki and Gerlinde Verdult, Senior Manager Global Trade Compliance at UCB
12:15 Q&A
12:25 Closing remarks by HE Jan Jambon, Minister-President of the Government of Flanders
12:30 Networking

Lead: Flanders Investment and Trade
Venue: Welcome coffee in the Trafalgar rooms and seminar in the Burton room on the second floor of the Institute of Directors
Address: 116 Pall Mall St James, London SW1Y 5ED
Participants: 120 guests upon registration

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Business delegation

<p>11:25-11:35</p>	<p>Motorcade transfer of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers from the Institute of Directors to BEIS</p>	<p>“Belgium, the health and biotech valley of tomorrow”</p> <p>10:00 Registration of guests and welcome coffee 10:30 Welcoming remarks by a TBC high-level UK representative 10:40 Belgian and UK company showcase presentations including presentations by the Belgian Life Sciences clusters 11:30 Networking break 12:00 Belgian and UK company showcase presentations including presentations by the Belgian Life Sciences clusters 13:00 Walking networking lunch 14:00 Panel discussion: “Issues, challenges, opportunities and solutions post-TCA” (The EU–UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement): an in-depth discussion about the financial issues post-Brexit and how fundraising has changed. 15:30 Closing remarks 15:35 Networking drink</p> <p>Lead: AWEX Venue: Babraham Institute Address: Babraham Hall House, Babraham, Cambridge CB22 3AT Participants: Approximately 60 – 100 guests upon invitation</p> <p>Bus transfer from the InterContinental London Park Lane to BEIS with bus BEIS</p>	<p>10:00-16:30</p> <p>10:30-11:00</p>
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Business delegation

11:35-12:25	<p>The North Sea as a power hub - UK-Belgian Business opportunities – PART 1</p> <p>11:00 Arrival of the Belgian business delegation 11:35 Arrival of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers and welcome by TBC Joanna Whittington, Director General Energy and Security 11:40 Welcome address by TBC The Rt Hon. Kwasi Kwarteng, UK Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy 11:45 Speech by HE Tinne Van der Straeten, Minister for Energy 11:50 “Role and activities of The Crown Estate” by Will Apps, Head of Marine Development The Crown Estate 12:00 “Best of Belgium Energy Technology” by Pieter-Jan Provoost, Director of the Agoria Energy Technology Club 12:05 Showcases by Chris Peeters, CEO Elia and Bart De Poorter, General Manger DEMA Offshore 12:10 Photo opportunity for HRH Princess Astrid, both Ministers, all speakers and Stuart Broadley, CEO of the Energy Industries Council 12:25 Departure of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers</p> <p>Lead: Agoria & FPS Economy & Energy Venue: Room C8 on floor B of the BEIS Conference Centre Address: 4 Abbey Orchard Street (motorcade), London SW1H 0ET Participants: 50 guests upon invitation</p>	11:00-12:25
12:25-12:35	<p>Motorcade transfer of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers from BEIS to the Athenaeum club</p>	11:30-12:00
	<p>Bus transfer for invited guests from the InterContinental London Park Lane to the Athenaeum club with bus FEB</p> <p>The North Sea as a power hub - UK-Belgian Business opportunities – PART 2</p> <p>12:30 Light networking lunch 13:30 Departure of the business delegation</p> <p>Lead: Agoria & FPS Economy & Energy Venue: TBC Address: TBC Participants: 50 guests upon invitation</p>	12:30-13:30

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London

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Business delegation

<p>12:35-14:00</p>	<p align="center">FEB B2G luncheon in collaboration with the Confederation of British Industry (CBI)</p> <p>12:00 Arrival of the invited Belgian business delegation and welcome cocktail 12:35 Arrival of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers. Welcome by Catherine Murphy, Club Secretary and Pieter Timmermans, CEO of FEB 12:37 Words of welcome by Pieter Timmermans 12:40 Starter 12:50 Speech by Dr Gertjan Vlieghe, Chief Economist of Element Capital, and former External member of the Monetary Policy Committee, Bank of England 13:00 Main course 13:15 Keynote speech by The Rt Hon Penny Mordaunt MP, Minister of State at the Department for International Trade 13:40 Remarks by HE Tinne Van der Straeten, Minister of Energy 13:45 Dessert is served 13:50 Words of appreciation by Sean McGuire, CBI Director Europe 14:00 Departure of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers</p> <p>Lead: The Federation of Enterprises in Belgium (FEB) Venue: Garden room on the B1 floor of The Athenaeum club Address: 107 Pall Mall, London SW1Y 5ER Participants: 60 guests upon invitation</p>	<p>12:00-14:00</p>
<p>14:00-14:15</p>	<p align="center">Motorcade transfer of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers from the Athenaeum club to the InterContinental London Park Lane</p>	<p align="center">Bus transfer from the Institute of Directors to the InterContinental London Park Lane with bus TCA1 and TCA 2</p> <p align="center">Bus transfer from BEIS to the InterContinental London Park Lane with bus BEIS</p>

TUESDAY 10 MAY 2022

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Business delegation

Belgium, the logistics hub connecting the UK with the world: stronger together – PART 1

16:00-17:30

16:00 Arrival and registration of the guests
 16:30 UK & Belgium, a long-standing relationship with a bright future by Annick De Ridder, Vice Mayor for the port, urban development, spatial planning and patrimony of the City of Antwerp and President of the Board Port Antwerp-Bruges and Member of Parliament Mrs Nushrat Ghani
 16:50 Panel discussion 1: Belgium, your logistics hub connecting the UK with the world
 17:15 Panel discussion 2: Belgium as energy transition hub
 17:40 Transfer of the guests to the networking venue

Lead: Port of Antwerp-Bruges
 Venue: Ballroom 1 on the Mezzanine floor at the InterContinental
 Participants: 100 guests upon invitation

Bus transfer from the Babraham Institute to the InterContinental London Park Lane with buses AWEX LS1 and AWEX LS2

16:30-18:30

TUESDAY 10 MAY 2022

London

HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King, and Ministers

Business delegation

16:35-16:50

Motorcade transfer of the Ministers
from the InterContinental London Park Lane to the Edith Cavell
Monument

17:00-17:10

Wreath-Laying ceremony at the Edith Cavell Monument

17:00 Arrival at the Edith Cavell Monument and welcome by Her
Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Greater London, Sir Kenneth
Olisa
17:01 Introduction by Sir Kenneth Olisa of HE Bruno van der Pluijm,
Ambassador of Belgium in the United Kingdom
17:02 Introduction by HE Bruno van der Pluijm of the Belgian
Ministers present
17:04 A few words to commemorate Edith Cavell's legacy by Susan
Gostick, Chair of Cavell Nurses' Trust
17:06 Wreath laying ceremony
17:08 Closing words by HE Bruno van der Pluijm
17:10 Departure

Lead: Embassy of Belgium
Address: 10 St. Martin's Place, London WC2N 4JL
Participants: Very restricted official delegation

17:15-17:30

Motorcade transfer of the Ministers
from the Edith Cavell Monument to the InterContinental
London Park Lane

TUESDAY 10 MAY 2022

London

HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King, and Ministers

Business delegation

18:00-19:15

Belgium, thé logistics hub connecting the UK with the world: stronger together – PART 2

18:00 Arrival of HRH Princess Astrid and ministers
18:05 Speech with conclusion of the seminar by HE Jan Jambon, Minister-President of the Government of Flanders
18:15 Networking walking dinner with Opera Soprano Elise Caluwaerts
19:15 Departure of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers

Lead: Port of Antwerp-Bruges
Venue: Ballroom 2 at the InterContinental London Park Lane
Participants: 120 guests upon invitation

18:00-20:00

Brussels as a leisure & MICE destination

18:00 Welcome by HE Pascal Smet, State Secretary of the Brussels-Capital Region
18:30 Presentation of Brussels as a destination and the Brussels' partners
19:00 Networking & walking dinner

Lead: visit.brussels
Venue: Leadenhall, Marylebone and Petticoat on the Mezzanine floor at the InterContinental London Park Lane
Participants: TBC 65 upon invitation

18:00-21:00

WEDNESDAY 11 MAY 2022

London – Oxford

HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King, and Ministers

Business delegation

08:30-09:30	Motorcade transfer of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers from the InterContinental London Park Lane to UCB	<p style="text-align: center;">Breakfast opens from 6:00 onwards</p> <p>Bus transfer from the InterContinental London Park Lane to St Hilda’s College with buses AWEX LS1 and AWEX LS2</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Bus transfer of invited guests from the InterContinental London Park Lane to UCB with bus AWEX</p> <p>Bus transfer from the InterContinental London Park Lane to Cranfield University with bus AWEX CT1</p> <p style="text-align: center;">B2B meetings</p> <p>Lead: AWEX, hub.brussels and Flanders Investment & Trade Venue: on the premises of the UK companies</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Lifesciences activities – PART 1: “Belgium, the health and biotech valley of tomorrow”</p> <p>09:00 Arrival and registration of the guests 09:30 Welcoming remarks by Jan Wauters, Science & Technology Counselor, Flanders Investment & Trade 09:40 15 Belgian company showcase presentations 10:40 Networking coffee break 11:00 15 Belgian company showcase presentations 12:00 End of showcases and departure on foot to the luncheon</p> <p>Lead: AWEX Venue: Edward Boyle Auditorium on the ground floor of St Hilda’s College Address: Cowley Place, Oxford OX4 1DY Participants: 150 guests upon invitation</p>	<p>07:00-09:00</p> <p>08:00-09:00</p> <p>08:30-10:00</p> <p>All day</p> <p>09:00-12:00</p>
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WEDNESDAY 11 MAY 2022

London

HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King, and Ministers

Business delegation

09:30-10:30

Inauguration of the new UCB Site: Windlesham

09:30 Arrival of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers and welcome by Jean-Christophe Tellier, CEO and Chairman of the Executive Committee at UCB
 09:32 Walk to the ROB building
 09:40 Speeches by Jean-Christophe Tellier and Dhaval Patel, CSO at UCB: "A Belgian company in the UK Innovation ecosystem"
 09:55 Short tour of the new site to the Manor house, guided by Alastair Henry, Head of Site UK and Dhaval Patel, CSO at UCB
 10:10 Brief address by HE Willy Borsus, Vice-President of the Walloon Government
 Unveiling of a commemorative plaque
 10:15 Photo opportunity
 10:20 Walk back to the cars
 10:30 Departure of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers

Lead: UCB
 Venue: ROB- building at UCB
 Address: Sunninghill Road, Windlesham GU20 6PH
 Participants: 50 to 75 guests upon invitation

Visit of Cranfield University

10:00 Arrival of the guests and welcome
 10:20 Start of thematic tours
 Group 1: Energy
 Group 2: Smart cities
 11:30 Networking coffee
 11:45 Presentations on Energy & Smart Cities
 13:00 Networking lunch

Lead: AWEX in collaboration with Cranfield University, Greenwin.
 Venue: Cranfield University
 Address: College Road, Cranfield, Bedfordshire MK43 0AL

10:00-14:00

WEDNESDAY 11 MAY 2022

Oxford

HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King, and Ministers

Business delegation

10:30-12:00

Motorcade transfer of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers
from UCB to St Hilda's College

Car transfer of invited guests
from UCB to the InterContinental London Park Lane with
vehicle UCB

10:40-11:40

12:00-12:25

**Courtesy call with Professor Louise Richardson
Vice-chancellor of the University of Oxford**

12:00 Arrival of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers and welcome
by Professor Louise Richardson, Vice-chancellor of the
University of Oxford and Professor Dame Sarah Springman,
Principal of St Hilda's College

12:03 Transfer on foot to the Lady Brodie room

12:05 Welcome words by Vice-chancellor Richardson

12:10 Message by the Rectors of the Belgian Universities

12:25 End of meeting

Venue: Lady Brodie room of St Hilda's College

Address: Cowley Place, Oxford OX4 1DY

Participants: Very restricted delegation (20 guests maximum)

12:25-12:30

Transfer on foot of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers
from the South Building to The Pavilion

WEDNESDAY 11 MAY 2022

London – Oxford

HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King, and Ministers		Business delegation	
12:30-14:00	<p>High-level healthy lunch: “Belgium, the health and biotech valley of tomorrow”</p> <p>12:30 Arrival of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers and welcome by Tineke Van Hooland, Deputy Secretary General bio.be/Essenscia</p> <p>12:35 Welcoming remarks by Mr David Browning, Chair at OBN</p> <p>13:00 Speech by Yves Verschuere, Managing Director Essenscia: ‘Belgium, the health and biotech valley of tomorrow’</p> <p>13:50 Closing remarks by HE Willy Borsus, Vice-President of the Walloon Government</p> <p>14:00 Departure of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers</p> <p>Lead: Essenscia and AWEX, FIT & HUB Venue: The Pavilion at St Hilda’s College Address: Cowley Place, Oxford OX4 1DY Participants: 90 guests upon invitation</p>	<p>Networking buffet lunch: “Belgium, the health and biotech valley of tomorrow”</p> <p>Lead: AWEX Venue: Auditorium Foyer of St Hilda’s College Address: Cowley Place, Oxford OX4 1DY Participants: 60 guests upon invitation</p>	12:30-13:45
14:00-14:30	<p>Motorcade transfer of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers from St Hilda’s College to Culham Centre for Fusion Energy</p>	<p>Bus transfer from Cranfield University to the InterContinental London Park Lane with bus AWEX CT1</p> <p>Car transfer of the officials from St Hilda’s College to the InterContinental London Park Lane with vehicles O1 and O2</p>	<p>14:00-15:30</p> <p>14:10-16:10</p>

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London – Oxford

HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King, and Ministers

Business delegation

Lifesciences activities - PART 3:

14:15-16:30

14:00 Drop-in workshop sessions
Workshop 1: Accessing the NHS, presentation by the Oxford Academic Health Science Network (AHSN) followed by a Q&A
Workshop 2: Presentation of the Belgian ecosystem (Flanders Bio, BioWin, Lifetech Brussels)
15:00 Panel discussion: “An update on the Trade and Cooperation between the UK and Belgium as it affects life sciences R&D.” and a discussion about access to patient data & GDPR
16:00 Closing drinks in the foyer

Lead: AWEX
Venue: The Pavilion at St Hilda’s College
Address: Cowley Place, Oxford OX4 1DY
Participants: 150 guests upon invitation

14:30-15:15

Visit of Culham Centre for Fusion Energy

14:30 Arrival of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers at Building K1 and welcome by Prof. Ian Chapman, CEO UK Atomic Energy Authority
14:32 Introduction to UKAEA and JET in the foyer by Prof. Ian Chapman
14:37 Transfer to J2 – Jet Control room at the JET Buildings
14:39 Visit of the machine control room (20 persons maximum)
14:49 Walk to the JET Torus Hall for HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers, while all others go to the demonstration of the robot manipulator
15:03 Visit of the JET Torus Hall and meeting with the Belgian engineers (4 persons maximum)
15:10 Exit via the J1R building

Lead: Agoria
Address: Culham Centre for Fusion Energy, Culham Science Centre, Abingdon, Oxfordshire OX14 3DB
Participants: 20 guests upon invitation

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London – Oxford

HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King, and Ministers

Business delegation

15:15-16:30

Motorcade transfer of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers
from Culham Centre for Fusion Energy to the InterContinental
London Park Lane

Bus transfer from St Hilda's College to the InterContinental
London Park Lane with buses AWEX LS1 and AWEX LS2

16:30-18:30

18:00-19:00

Signing Ceremony followed by a networking drink

17:30-19:00

17:30 Registration of the guests
18:00 Arrival of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers
18:30 Photo opportunity
18:35 Networking drink

Lead: Belgian Foreign Trade Agency
Venue: Leadenhall, Marylebone and Petticoat on the Mezzanine floor at the InterContinental London Park Lane
Participants: Belgian signees and their invited guests

19:30-20:15

Informal Press moment

Lead: Belgian Foreign Trade Agency
Venue: Portobello room on the Mezzanine floor of the InterContinental
London Park Lane
Participants: Belgian journalists

THURSDAY 12 MAY 2022

London - Brussels

HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King, and Ministers		Business delegation	
09:00-11:00	Motorcade transfer of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers from the InterContinental London Park Lane to IWMF	Bus transfer for invited guests from the InterContinental London Park Lane to IWMF with bus INDAVER 1 and INDAVER 2 (bus continues to St Pancras station)	08:30-10:30
11:00-12:15	<p>Start of construction Rivenhall Integrated Waste Management Facility (IWMF) and Energy Centre</p> <p>10:30 Arrival of the invited guests 11:00 Arrival of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers and welcome by Fernand Huts, President of Katoen Natie Group and Paul De Bruycker, CEO at Indaver Group and Fabian Leroy, President BoD Indaver 11:15 Speech by Fernand Huts 11:20 "Opening ceremony" together with HRH Princess Astrid 11:25 Photo opportunity 11:35 Speech by HE Jan Jambon, Minister-President of the Government of Flanders 11:40 Speech by Paul De Bruycker 11:45 End of speeches and lunch 12: 15 Departure of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers</p> <p>Lead: Indaver Venue: Indaver Integrated Waste Management Facility Address: Coggeshall Road, Bradwell, Essex CM77 8EP Participants: 70 to 100 guests upon invitation</p>		10:30-12:15
12:15-14:15	Motorcade transfer of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers from IWMF to the InterContinental London Park Lane	<p>Drop off of the delegation's luggage prior to departure</p> <p>Lead: Belgian Foreign Trade Agency Venue: Camden and Borough on the Mezzanine floor at the InterContinental London Park Lane Participants: Belgian delegation members</p>	12:00-14:00

THURSDAY 12 MAY 2022

London - Brussels

HRH Princess Astrid, Representative of His Majesty the King, and Ministers

Business delegation

<p>15:00-15:30</p>	<p>Motorcade transfer of HRH Princess Astrid and Ministers from the InterContinental London Park Lane to London St Pancras International Station</p>	<p>Bus transfer from Indaver (IW MF) to London St Pancras International Station with bus INDAVER 1 and INDAVER 2</p> <p>Bus transfer of the business, official and press delegation from the InterContinental London Park Lane to London St Pancras International Station with buses D1, D2, D3 and D4</p>	<p>12:20-14:50</p> <p>14:15-15:00</p>
<p>15:30</p>	<p>Check-in at London St Pancras International Station</p>		<p>15:00</p>
<p>16:04</p>	<p>Eurostar 9144 from London to Brussels with stop in Lille at 18:30 (travel time 2h01)</p>		<p>16:04</p>
<p>19:05</p>	<p>Arrival at Brussels Midi/Zuid railway station</p>		<p>19:05</p>