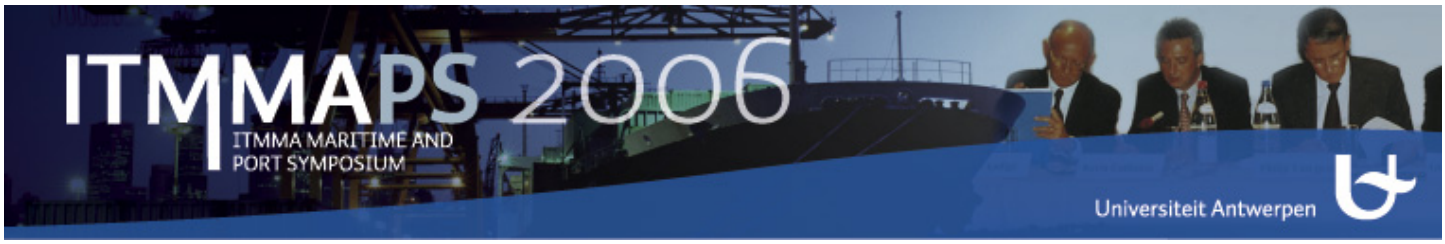


PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Conference venue

The venue of the ITMMAPS 2006 conference is the brand new De Meerminne Complex, Sint-Jacobsstraat 2, 2000 Antwerp. A map is enclosed at the end of this document. The conference venue can be reached easily by tram (www.delijn.be) and is within walking distance of the Central Station (approx. 1 km) and the hotels listed on the conference website.

Delegates arriving by car are advised to use one of the following parking facilities in the vicinity of the conference venue: Sint-Jacob, Meir or Van Dijck (see www.parkereninantwerpen.be/ for exact location of underground parking lots – website in Dutch only).

Registration

Delegates who already registered online or via the registration form can collect their badge and conference material either on Wednesday 25 October from 18h30 at Hof Van Liere (prior to the Welcoming Reception) or on 26 and 27 October at the Registration Counter in the entrance hall of De Meerminne.

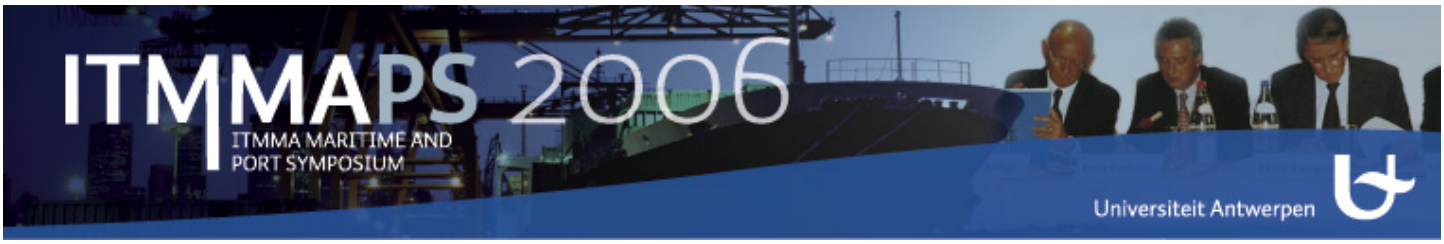
Delegates who did not register yet can do so by registering online at www.ua.ac.be/itmmaps2006 prior to the conference or by filling out a registration form at the Registration Counter in De Meerminne. We accept VISA and MasterCard. No other credit cards will be accepted.

Presentations

The presentations of the sessions and conference conclusions will be made available on the ITMMAPS 2006 website in the weeks after the conference.

Internet access

The conference organizers have arranged online access for delegates via a wireless access point. Detailed instructions on how to get online can be obtained at the Registration Desk in De Meerminne.



Social program

The social program for delegates includes:

- A **welcoming reception** on **October 25 starting at 19h00**. The welcoming reception will take place at the 16th century Hof Van Liere, part of the City Campus of the University of Antwerp (entrance via Prinsstraat 13, 2000 Antwerp, see map at the end of this document – Hof Van Liere is 200m from the conference venue).

  Dress code: smart casual

- A **Gala Dinner** on **October 26 from 20h00 till 22h30** in the Royal Yacht Club of Belgium situated at the Left Bank of the River Scheldt. The Club offers stunning views on the River Scheldt and the Antwerp skyline. Busses will pick you up in front of the conference venue at 20h00 sharp. Buses will return to the conference venue at around 22h30. More detailed information will be provided during the conference.

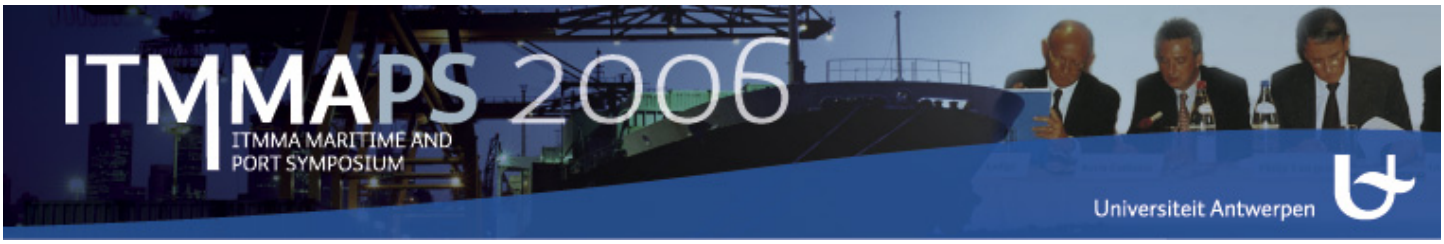
  Dress code: formal dress

Accompanying Persons' Program

The accompanying persons' program includes an 'Antwerp Cultural Tour' on Friday 27 October 2006.

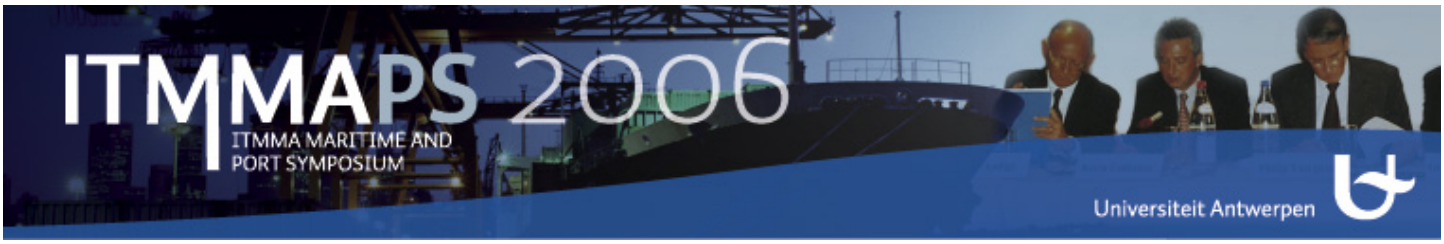
Accompanying persons joining the 'Antwerp Cultural Tour' are expected at the Registration Desk of De Meerminne on **Friday 27 October at 10h00 sharp**. The morning program includes a cultural walk in the city center and a light lunch at Horta near the Rubens Museum. The afternoon program includes a guided visit to the Diamond Museum and the Rubens Museum. Accompanying persons will arrive back at De Meerminne at around 17h00.

On top of this, accompanying persons are invited to attend the welcoming reception on 25 October 2006 (free of charge) and the Gala Dinner on 26 October 2006 (€ 75). Delegates wishing to register accompanying persons can do so on the Conference Registration Form or by contacting the Registration Desk at the conference venue De Meerminne.



About Antwerp

ITMMAPS 2006 is held in the bustling port city of Antwerp. Antwerp is a wealthy historical town by the river Scheldt: it still evokes memories of great artists and scientists such as Rubens, Van Dyck, Jordaens, Brueghel, Plantijn, Erasmus amongst many others, all in a thousand years of architecture and five centuries of music and artistic and decorative crafts. In short Antwerp is a metropolis with many dazzling facets, just like its world-famous diamonds. It is no surprise that the city of Antwerp contains innumerable pubs each with its own character, wonderfully sophisticated restaurants, typical street cafés and busy shopping streets. Antwerp is art, science, culture and economics all rolled into one. The city's location is in one of the best value-for-money areas in North-West Europe. As a port city and a transportation hub, Antwerp is easily accessible by train, coach and plane. For tourist information see www.visitantwerpen.be . Information on the Antwerp port can be found at www.portofantwerp.be



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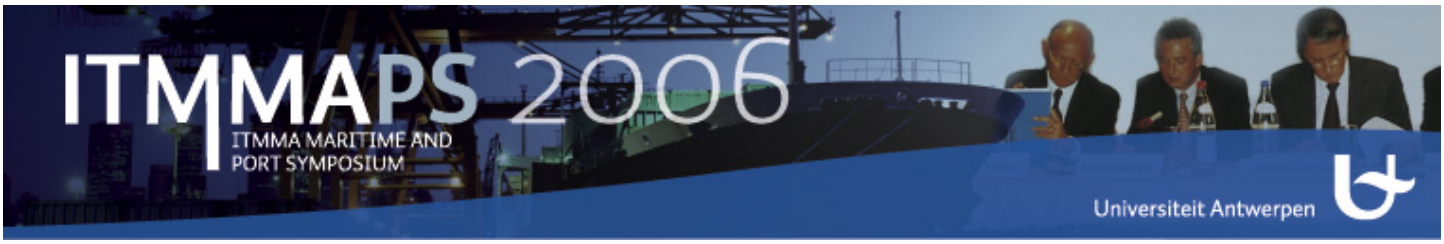

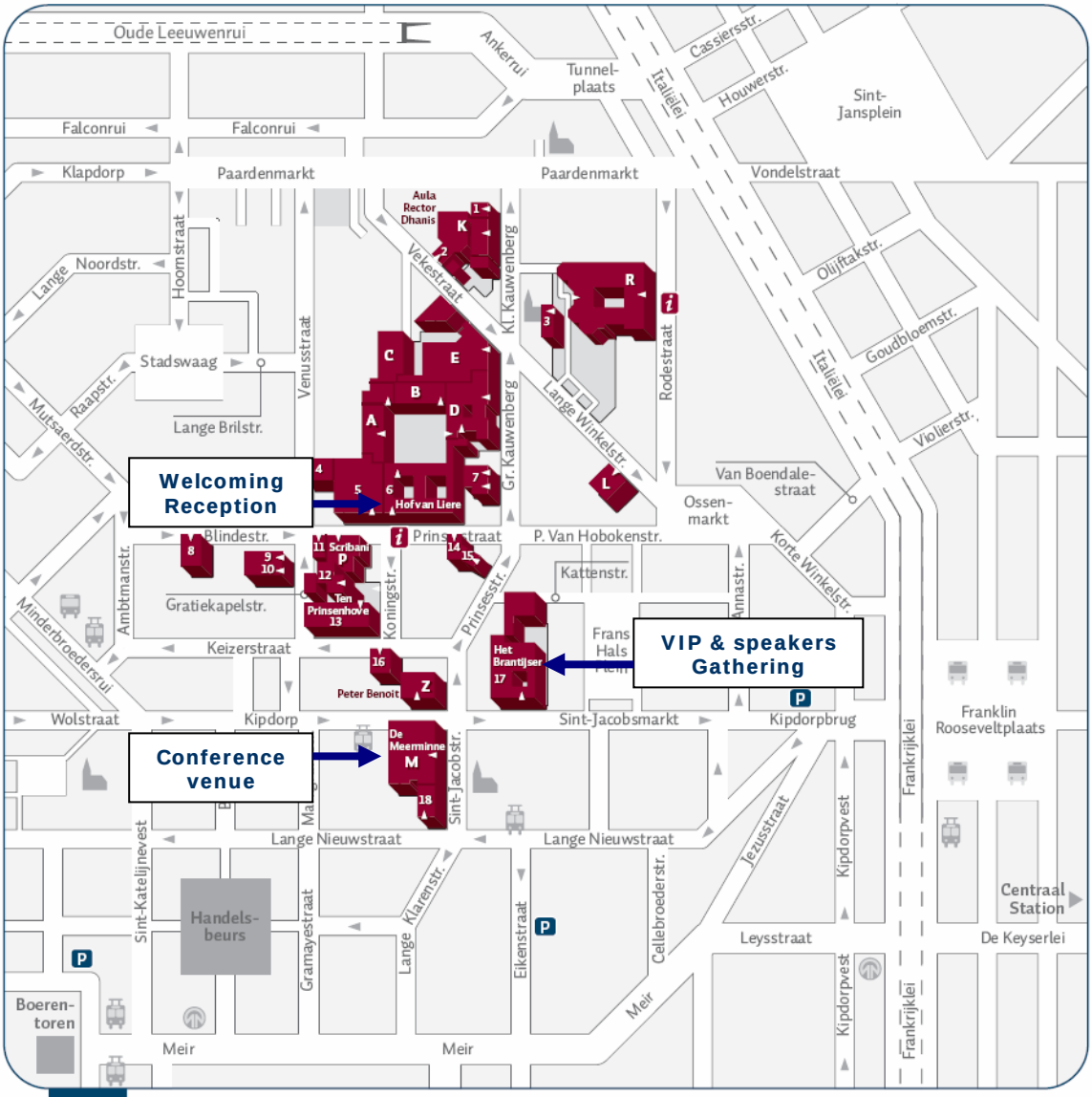

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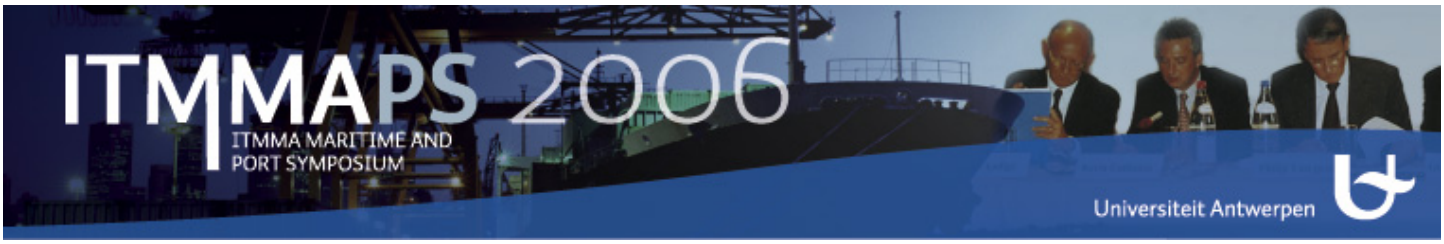
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