



**AVICENNA**  
A Strategy for *in silico* Clinical Trials

# Avicenna Event 4 Integration Brussels 19<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> February 2015

Participant Information





## Welcome to Brussels

Welcome to Brussels, Belgium, for the fourth Avicenna Event. We look forward to working with you to continue writing the roadmap for *in silico* Clinical Trials.

In this document we hope you will find all the information you need to attend the event. However, should you have any further questions or if you identify any issues then please don't hesitate to contact us at the details given below.

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## Your Destinations in Brussels

19<sup>th</sup> February:

#### Thon Hotel EU

Rue de la Loi/Wetstraat 75, B-1040 Brussels

Tel: +32 (0)2 204 3911

<http://www.thonhotels.com/hotels/countrys/belgium/brussels/thon-hotel-eu/>

20th February:

#### European Social and Economic Committee

Rue de Trèves 74, B-1040 Brussels

Tel: +32 (0)2 546 9011

<http://www.eesc.europa.eu>



# 1. Travel to the Thon Hotel EU and the European Economic and Social Committee

The European Economic and Social Committee (EESC) is conveniently located a few minute's walk from the Hotel Thon EU on Rue de Trèves. The instructions below are applicable for both venues. Please consult the map for directions between Hotel Thon EU and the EESC. Please note that the event will be at the EESC building on Rue Trèves, not their headquarters.

## Public transport

**Metro:** Maalbeek/Maelbeek Station is opposite the hotel.

**Train:** Thon Hotel EU is situated 700 metres from Brussels-Schuman and 700 metres from Brussels-Luxembourg/Luxembourg.

**Bus:** The airport bus stops at Brussels-Luxembourg/Luxembourg station.

## From Brussels South Charleroi Airport

### By Public Transport

Take the shuttle bus (ticket cost: €13) stop at the Brussels Midi Station.

Take the metro direction Elizabeth (line 2 or 6) and go out at Art Loi Station.

Take the metro towards Stockel/Hermann-Debroux (line 1 or 5) and stop at Maelbeek Station. Thon Hotel EU is located just in front of the station exit.

### By Car

Follow ring E40 towards Luik/Liège.

Take the exit to Brussels – Luik – Liège.

Arriving at Brussels, take the tunnel and follow directions towards Centre/Centrum.

After the tunnel, continue to "Schuman" roundabout and take the second exit right to the Rue de la Loi.

Take the first street on your left, Trierstraat/Rue de Trèves. Parking (Vinci) from Thon Hotel EU is situated on your right hand side.

## From Brussels Airport

### By Taxi

Take the taxi to Thon Hotel EU (cost: €45).

### By Train

Take the train at the Airport (cost: €5).

Stop at Brussels Central Station.

Take the Metro line 1 (direction Stockel) or line 5 (direction Hermann-Debroux)

Stop at Maelbeek Station.

Thon Hotel EU is just in front of the station exit.

### By Bus

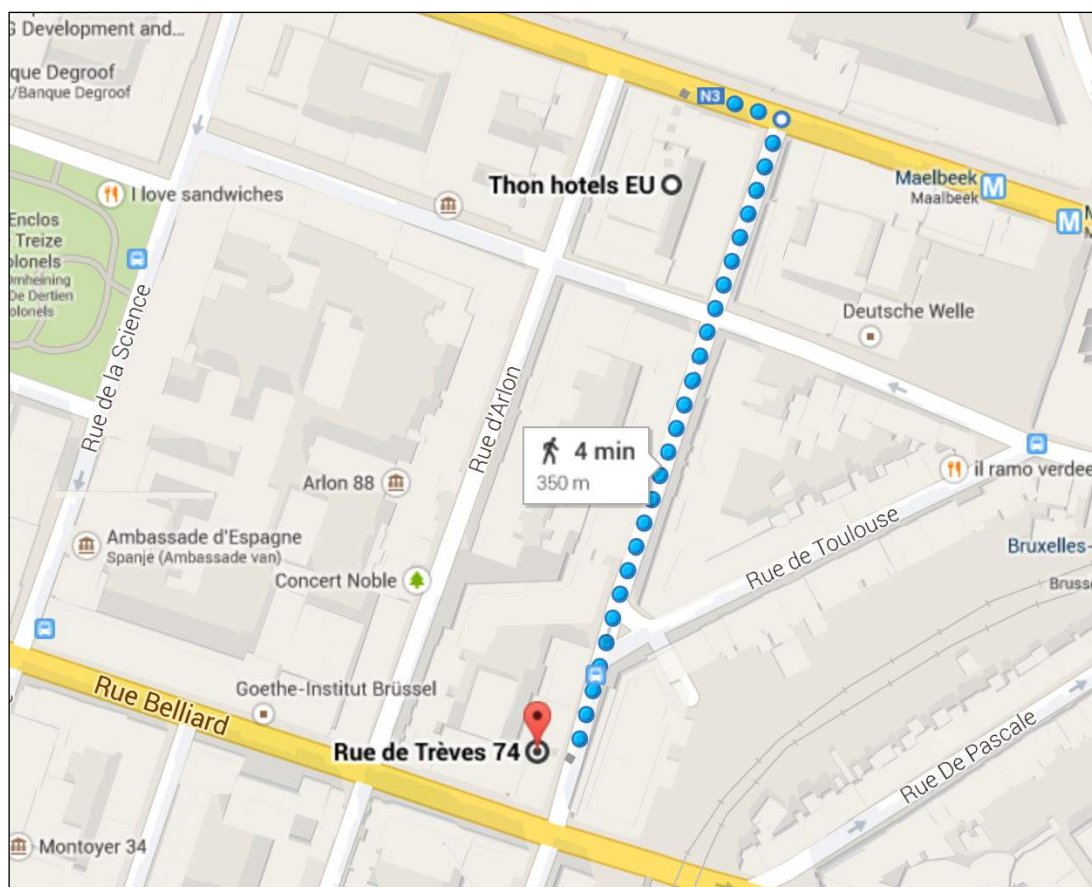
Take the coach 12 (direction Brussels City) or 21 (direction Ducale)

Stop at the Station Schuman (30-45 minutes).

### Parking

Parking is available at the underground parking garage (Vinci Park) with 200 spaces. Guests of the Hotel Thon EU paying at the reception will benefit from a preferential rate of €30 a day (€15 during weekend). The car park is equipped with 4 disabled people car space.

## 2. Map – Thon Hotel EU to European Economic and Social Committee



### 3. On Arrival

On arrival, at either the Thon Hotel EU on 19<sup>th</sup> February or European Economic and Social Committee on 20<sup>th</sup> February, please mention that you are attending the Avicenna Event and a member of staff will help you with your Event registration, present you with an Avicenna Welcome Pack and provide travel reimbursement information (See the relevant pages in Section 8).

## 4. Avicenna Event 4 - Day 1 - Thursday 19th February

### Thursday 19th February

**Time** Belgium Room, Thon Hotel EU, Rue de la Loi/Wetstraat 75, Brussels  
Registration from 9am

**10:00 – 12:00 Informal pre-meetings**

*These informal meetings will be arranged by the breakout group leaders before the meeting. Attendees are invited to join their breakout group as soon as they arrive, where information discussions are taking place on the use cases and the challenges, essentially preparing the afternoon sessions.*

**12:00 – 13:00 Buffet lunch**

**13:00 – 13:30 Welcome address**

*Marco Viceconti, Avicenna coordinator, welcomes the attendees and outlines the work program.*

**13:30 – 15:30 Breakout sessions**

*Each breakout group will discuss a number of pre-selected use cases and, for each one, attempt to answer the question “What are the Research and Development challenges we need to face in order to make that use case possible?”.*

**Devices**

*Led by:*

*Marco Viceconti*

**Pharma**

*Led by:*

*Adriano Henney*

**Socio-economic**

*Led by:*

*Edwin Morley-Fletcher*

**15:30 – 16:00 Coffee break**

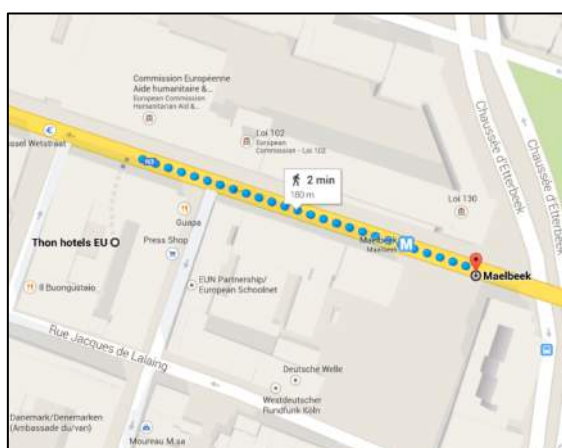
**16:00 – 18:00 Breakout sessions continue**

## 5. Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February: Optional Social Dinner

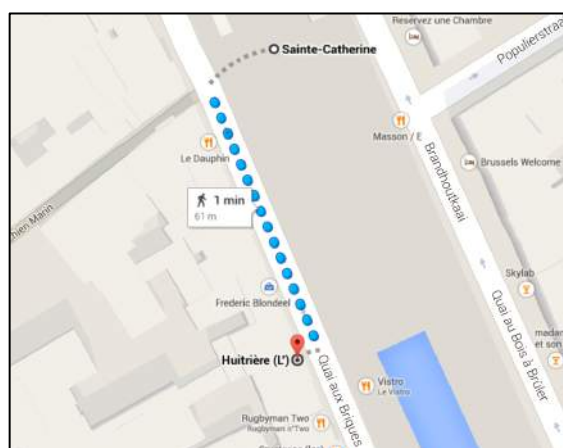
On the night of 19<sup>th</sup> February we have organised a social dinner at L'Huitrière. As our budget is limited we will be asking for a €40 contribution from those attending the dinner. *(If you have not yet notified us that you would like to attend the dinner, you can still book a place by emailing [events@avicenna-isct.org](mailto:events@avicenna-isct.org)).*

Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> February		
Time		Location
19:00 – 19:10	Assemble in Hotel Reception	Reception Hotel Thon EU Brussels
19:10 – 19:30	Travel from Thon Hotel EU to L'Huitrière	Metro Maelbeek – Metro Sainte-Catherine <i>Route 1 direction Gare De L'Ouest</i>
19:30 – 21:30	Dinner	L'Huitrière Quai aux Briques 20
21:30	Return to Thon Hotel EU	Metro Sainte-Catherine – Metro Maelbeek <i>Route 1 direction Stockel</i>

## 6. Maps – Thon Hotel EU to L'Huitrière



Thon Hotel EU to Maelbeek Metro



Sainte-Catherine Metro to L'Huitrière

The route from the Thon Hotel EU to L'Huitrière is quick and convenient. Walk to Maelbeek Metro (see map above left) and then take Metro Line 1 in the direction Gare de L'Ouest. Get out at Metro Sainte-Catherine and make the short walk to L'Huitrière (see map above right).



## 7. Avicenna Event 4 - Day 2 - Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February

20<sup>th</sup> February 2015

Time	European Economic and Social Committee (EESC) - Rue de Trèves 74, Brussels Registration from 8:15 am
07:30 – 08:15	Breakfast, checkout (if required), walk from Hotel Thon EU to EESC
08:15 – 08:45	Arrival and coffee.
08:45 – 09:00	<b>Welcome from the European Economic and Social Committee and European Medical Association</b> <i>Martin Siecker, President of the section for the Single Market, Production and Consumption of the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC). Vincenzo Costigliola, President of the European Medical Association (EMA).</i>
09:00 – 09:15	<b>Welcome from Avicenna</b> <i>Marco Viceconti, Avicenna coordinator, will explain the scope of the meeting, introduce the ISCT concept and explain the Avicenna Roadmap progress so far.</i>
09:15 – 10:45	<b>Six Research Challenges</b> <i>Six champions will each present one of six of the research challenges that emerged in day 1.</i>
10:45 – 11:15	Coffee
11:15 – 12:45	<b>Prioritising the Research Challenges</b> <i>The attendees will be led in an exercise to prioritise the full list of challenges.</i>
12:45 – 13:30	Buffet Lunch
13:30 – 14:30	<b>How can we communicate the potential impact of <i>in silico</i> clinical trials?</b> <i>Attendees will be led in an exercise to develop elevator pitches for the highest voted research challenges.</i>
14:30 – 15:15	<b>Presenting the pitches</b> <i>A volunteer from each group will present their pitches.</i>
15:15 – 15:45	<b>Next steps</b> <i>What is next in the Avicenna process and how can attendees get involved.</i>
15:45 –	End of meeting



## 8. Avicenna: Questionnaire

Please help us by completing the short questionnaire below and handing it in when you register at the hotel, or on the morning of the event.

Your Name:

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Your Affiliation:

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1. Are you willing to provide input to the Avicenna Roadmap (either by writing, reviewing or editing)?

Yes ☐

No ☐

2. How well do you understand what is meant by the term *in silico* medicine?

1 ☐

Very little

2 ☐

3 ☐

4 ☐

5 ☐

Very much

3. How big an impact might *in silico* medicine have on the biomedical industry?

1 ☐

Very little

2 ☐

3 ☐

4 ☐

5 ☐

Very much

4. Technologically, how close are we to being able - partially - to test the safety and efficacy of a new biomedical product via computer simulation?

1 ☐

Very little

2 ☐

3 ☐

4 ☐

5 ☐

Very much

5. How important is the compilation of a research roadmap for *in silico* medicine at this stage?

1 ☐

Very little

2 ☐

3 ☐

4 ☐

5 ☐

Very much

6. How high are the chances that the organisation you represent might join a pre-competitive alliance aimed at promoting the development and adoption of *in silico* clinical trials?

1 ☐

Very little

2 ☐

3 ☐

4 ☐

5 ☐

Very much





## 9. Travel Expenses Contribution Claims

Claimant Details		
Surname:	Name:	Organisation:
Address		
Number and Street:		
Town:	Post code:	Country:
Email:		

Date	Description of travel expense	Type	Currency (If not €)	Amount €
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				€
				€
				€
				€
				€
				€
-	Total Claimed	(Total)		€

Bank Details	
Account Name	
Bank Name	
Bank Address	
Town/City	
Postcode	
Country	
Account Number	
IBAN	
Bic/Swift	
Additional Information	

I, the undersigned, declare that this statement of expenses is true and accurate.

...../.....  
(Signature of the claimant) (Date)

## Travel Expenses Reimbursement FAQ

If you come from a not-for-profit organisation, you are entitled to receive a reimbursement of travel expenses up to a maximum as shown in the table below:

Distance to travel	Max. Travel Allowance
< 500 km	€ 200
500 km – 1,000 km	€ 400
1,000 km – 1,500 km	€ 600
1,500 km – 2,500 km	€ 800
2,500 km – 5,000 km	€ 1,200
5,000 km – 10,000 km	€ 1,600
> 10,000 km	€ 2,000

### Required documents for reimbursement

- Signed reimbursement form.
- All the supporting documents mentioned on the form (air tickets, boarding cards, train tickets etc.).
- A copy of your passport or identification document.

Reservations cannot be considered as valid supporting documents. Only tickets or invoices can be accepted. However, in exceptional cases reservations can be accepted if accompanied by the boarding cards and a proof of payment of the ticket such as the credit card statement, agent coupon.

### Claim reimbursement submission information

At the Avicenna Event you can hand your reimbursement form and travel documents to the Avicenna team. You can also send your claim after the Event, together with all relevant supporting documents, by mail to:

Avicenna Team,  
c/o Lynkeus Srl,  
Via Livenza, 6  
00198 Rome,  
Italy

Please note that the documents must be sent no later than 1 month from the date of the Event.

**If you have questions concerning the reimbursement of your expenses, please contact:**  
[events@avicenna-isct.org](mailto:events@avicenna-isct.org)