

European Community-led Housing Meeting
MAY 28, Brussels
&
HUB Europe 2016 (Social production of habitat Platform)
MAY 29, Louvain-la-Neuve



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MAY 28 - European Community-led Housing Meeting

Venue & Accommodation

Youth Hostel Jacques Brel



Address:

Youth Hostel Jacques Brel
Rue de la Sablonnière 30
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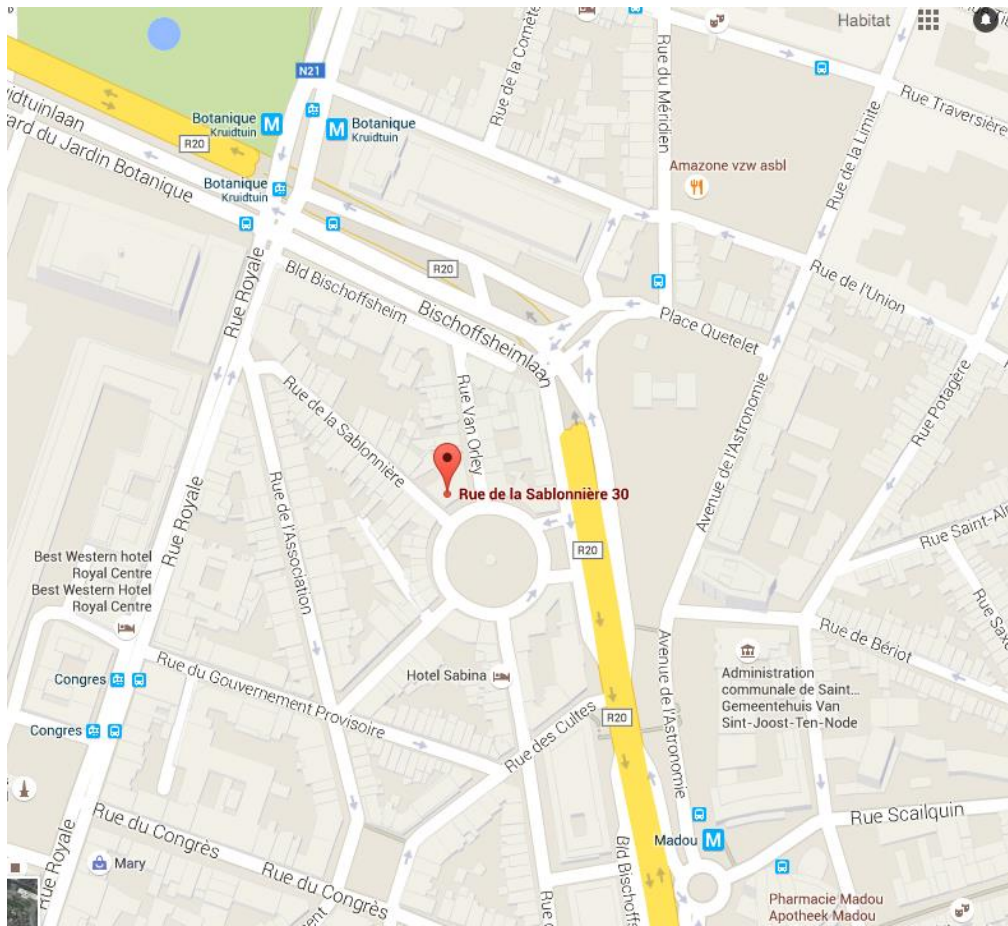
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Meals

- Breakfast at the hostel, for those who are staying there
- A festive «buffet» on the 28th for lunch
- An «organic» meal on the 28th for dinner (for those who have booked dinner through us)
- A light meal (hot or cold) on the 29th for lunch at the Venue in Louvain-la-Neuve: self-paying

How to get there



From Zaventem Airport: underground railway station at the airport with trains to **Brussels North Station** and **Brussels Central Station** approximately every 30 min. The train ride takes between 15 and 20 minutes.

From **Brussels North Station**

Metro 4 direction STALLE

Change at Rogier, Line 2 Direction ELISABETH or Line 6 Direction ROI BAUDOUIN

Stop at **BOTANIQUE**.

Walk to Hostel.

From **Brussels Centrale Station**

Metro Line 1 direction STOCKEL or Line 5 direction HERMAN DEBROUX

Change at ART-LOI, Line 2 or 6 direction ELISABETH

Stop at **MADOU**.

Walk to Hostel.

Brussels Midi (Zuid) Station

Line 2 direction ELISABETH or Line 6 direction ELISABETH

Stop at **MADOU**

Walk to hostel.

Programme

Start: 11am

End: 6.30pm

The European Community-led Habitat Meeting in Brussels on May 28 is an initiative that aims to provide an informal space of exchange for national/regional federations and networks of community-led housing initiatives, project leaders, professionals and researchers to share their vision and work with their peers at the European level. Despite local specificities and regional differences, several joint initiatives have already been developed at the European level or across several countries (Open Door Days, International Cohousing Conference 2010 in Stockholm, joint research initiatives, among others). These suggest that there is, today, an interest for convergence and collaboration on community-led housing at the European level.

The meeting seeks to provide a platform for defining common objectives, share agendas and establish common actions, and to understand why different actors across Europe are interested in the convergence of civil society movements in the housing and habitat sector.

What can we gain from collaborating? What do we expect? Where are our common grounds? In what ways are we different? At what levels can and shall we collaborate?

The meeting is therefore to be placed in the context of ongoing cross-regional and international dynamics, and shall be understood as a contribution to further enhancing collaboration and convergence at the European level.

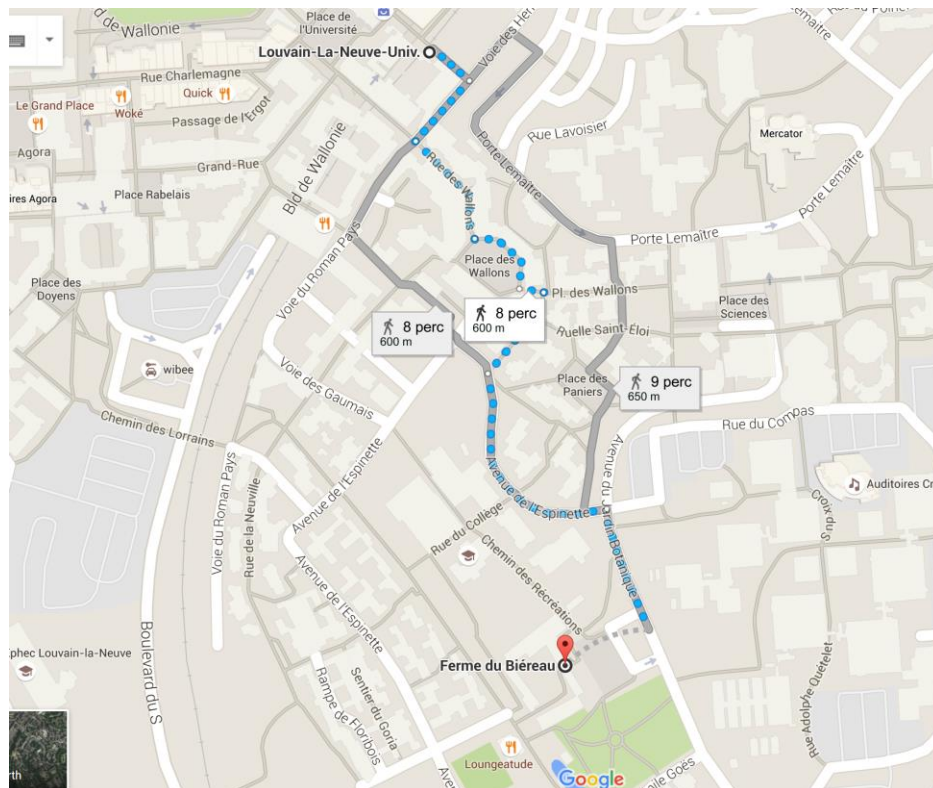
The programme is the result of the various inputs and ideas provided by the participants.

Time	Place	Session and discussion topics	Expected outcomes
10am	Auberge de Jeunesse Jacques Brel	<p><i>Informal breakfast and coffee</i></p> <p>You are welcome to meet us at the Auberge de Jeunesse Jacques Brel!</p>	
11.00am	Auberge de Jeunesse Jacques Brel	<p><i>Welcome</i></p> <p>Welcoming by the hosts: Benoît Debuigne (Habitat&Participation, Belgium)</p> <p><i>Presentations and discussions</i></p> <p>Topics for discussion, as suggested by participants:</p> <p>A. Open Door (Intentional Communities) Days in Europe</p> <p>15min. presentation (pitch) by : Pascal Lanselle and/or Michel Broutin (Coordin'action, France), Peter Bakker (LVCW, The Netherlands), Chiara Casotti (Casematte, Italy), Benoît Debuigne (Habitat&Participation, Belgium), Luk Jonckheere (Samenhuizen, Belgium)</p> <p>Max. 30 min. Open discussion: How to continue our joint efforts in this direction? What is next for 2017 (for instance, including Germany and Switzerland)? Agenda & responsibilities?</p>	<p>Poster 1: mapping of actors in Europe – projects, networks, professionals, etc. (to be completed during the day)</p> <p>Poster 2: shared agenda of activities for 2016/2017 (to be completed during the day)</p>
11.45am		<p>B. Joint Research projects</p> <p>15min. presentation (pitch) by: Lidewij Tummers (TU Delft, The Netherlands) and Darinka Czischke (TU Delft) on ENHR and research group on collaborative housing.</p> <p>Max 30 min. Open discussion: Perspectives and agenda for the coming years. What topics to collaborate on? What kind of collaboration can be established between researchers and projects, as well as support actors? How to raise funding for joint research projects?</p>	
'Sandwich' session (lunch and ongoing discussions)			
12.45am		<p>C. Past European meetings and initiatives</p> <p>10-15min. presentation by: Peter Bakker (LVCW, The Netherlands), Pascal Lanselle and/or Michel Broutin (Coordin'action), others?</p> <p>Feedback and historiography of meetings, initiatives, existing project databases.</p> <p>Max. 30min. Exchange on how to coordinate existing initiatives / group work on posters (mapping, agenda)</p>	

1.30pm		<p>D. Community-led Habitat Award and European HUB 2016</p> <p>10min. presentation by: Cyril Royez (urbaMonde, Switzerland), comments by Mariangela Veronesi (BSHF, UK) and Benoît Debuigne (Habitat&Participation, Belgium)</p> <p>Presentation of the European HUB 2016 that will take place on Sunday, 29th of May, in Louvain-la-Neuve, and of the Digital Social Platform. Goals and methodology of the international Platform.</p> <p>30-40min. Workshop on: PROCESS DESIGN - 2016 being a first 'pilot' of the initiative, how to design the process for 2017 (2018, etc.) to make it more inclusive, participatory and reflect the diversity of community-led housing models across Europe? Where should the next HUBs take place? How to include representatives of national federations and networks into the selection committee? How to raise funding for the initiative?</p>	
2.30pm – 6.30pm	Different locations in Brussels	<p><i>Field visits (organised by Habitat&Participation)</i></p> <p>2.30pm Departure from Auberge de Jeunesse Jacques Brel</p> <p>2.45pm I'Espoir Project, Molenbeek</p> <p>4.15pm CLT L'Ecluse, Molenbeek</p> <p>5.30pm CLT Arc-en-Ciel (documentary screening)</p> <p>6.15pm Commons Josaphat (presentation)</p>	<p><i>Optional workshops</i></p> <p>Participants may organise additional workshops and sessions. The meeting room will be at their disposal.</p>
7pm	Auberge de Jeunesse Jacques Brel	<i>Dinner and informal exchange</i>	
8.30pm	Brussels, location to be defined	<p><i>Social Event - beer tasting in Brussels</i> <i>Come along!</i></p>	

Participants List

Country	Organisation	Name	First Name
Belgium	CLT Bruxelles	De Pauw	Geert
Belgium	Habitat&Participation ASBL	Vanderbeck	Laurent
Belgium	Habitat&Participation ASBL	Debuigne	Benoît
Belgium	Habitat&Participation ASBL	Thys	Pascale
Belgium	Housing Europe	tbc	tbc
Belgium	Samenhuizen	Jonckheere	Luk
Belgium	Samenhuizen	Dekker	Renée
France	Coordin'action & Eco-habitat Groupé	Broutin	Michel
France	urbaMonde-France	Varnai	Bea
France	SCET / urbaMonde-France	Jacquot	Charlotte
France	Habitat en Mouvement /urbaMonde-France	Arnold	Pierre
France	Habicoop	Defray	Antoinette
France	Coordin'action & Alter-Cooperation	Lanselle	Pascal
France	Centre de Recherche et d'Information (CRID)	Prelat	Valentin
France	Habicoop	Bourgeon	Rémi
Germany	Spreefeld	Spaetling	Robin
International	Habitat International Coalition	Puertas	Alvaro
Italy	Casematte - CoAbitare	Casotti	Chiara
Spain	La Borda Housing Cooperative	Salas Mansilla	Elba
Spain	La Borda Housing Cooperative	Febrés Fraylich	Helena
Switzerland	urbaMonde Switzerland	Royez	Cyril
Switzerland	Fondation Charles Léopold Mayer	Woessner	Julien
Switzerland	Mehr als Wohnen	Thiesen	Claudia
The Netherlands	TU Delft	Czischke	Darinka
The Netherlands	Dutch Cohousing Association	Bakker	Peter
The Netherlands	TU Delft	Tummers	Lidewij
The Netherlands	Vrijcoop	Mol	Clemens
UK	Durham University	Heslop	Julia Helen
UK	Building and Social Housing Foundation (BSHF)	Veronesi	Mariangela
UK	Granby4Streets CLT	MacFarrag	Theresa
UK	Granby4Streets CLT	MacFarrag	Joe
UK	London Community Neighbourhood Cooperative	Woods	Deidre



Programme:

10am: Opening of the **Habitat Groupé Fair**, Ferme du Biereau, Av du Jardin Botanique, 1348 Louvain-La-Neuve

10-12am: visit of the Fair

12am-1.30pm: Public roundtable with four project representatives (**European HUB meeting**) – translation ENG/FR provided.

Welcome by Benoit Debuigne (Habitat&Participation ASBL)

Presentation of the HUB and the World Habitat Awards:

Cyril Royez (urbaMonde)

Mariangela Veronesi (Building and Social Housing Foundation)

Sharing experiences:

Claudia Thiesen - Mehr als Wohnen, Switzerland

Robin Spaetling – Spreefeld, Germany

Helena Febrés Fraylich – La Borda, Spain

Theresa and Joe MacFarrag – Granby4StreetsCLT, UK

Community-led Housing Award Ceremony

1.30pm-2.30pm: First participatory workshop series.

Workshop topics include: legal frameworks for creating a participatory housing project (habitat groupé) – methodology; self-help construction: sharing experiences from Belgium, Latin America and England, among others.

Translation ENG/FR provided.

3pm-4pm: Second participatory workshop series

Workshop topics include: Designing shared spaces in a housing project: clusters, optional spaces, multiple uses (Mehr als Wohnen & Spreefeld); Collective sustainability – how to strengthen internal cohesion and prevent conflict? (La Borda, Barcelona), among others.

Translation ENG/FR provided.

5pm-6pm: Closing (theatre play)

6.30pm: departure to Brussels

Selected projects

La Borda, Barcelona, Spain



The Housing Cooperative “La Borda” originated from an activist movement in “Sants”, a working-class neighbourhood in Barcelona. La Borda seeks to integrate housing with the social economy and the Care economy, and to encourage new models of living in community. It constitutes at the same time the first experience of collective property in the city of Barcelona.

For more information: <https://psh.urbamonde.org/#/en/community/25> ;
<http://www.laborda.coop/>

Granby4Streets CLT, Liverpool, United Kingdom



In the context of poverty, social exclusion and top-down approaches towards urban renewal, the inhabitants of Toxteth in Liverpool created the Granby4Streets Community Land Trust to defend their interests. Granby4Streets CLT has successfully negotiated with public actors and social investors to implement participatory urban upgrading and social projects at the benefit of more than 2,000 residents.

For more information: <https://psh.urbamonde.org/#/en/community/17> ;
<http://www.granby4streetsclt.co.uk>

Spreefeld, Berlin, Germany



The Building and Housing Cooperative “Spreefeld” is situated in the former ‘no man’s land’ between Eastern and Western Germany. Founded in 2011 and inhabited since 2014, it is a successful example of local resistance to speculative, top-down and large scale area development, and has managed to provide affordable homes and public and semi-public spaces.

For more information:
<https://psh.urbamonde.org/#/en/community/23> ; <http://spreefeld-berlin.de/>

Mehr als Wohnen, Zurich, Switzerland



Mehr als Wohnen is a federation of 60 housing cooperatives that planned, financed and managed the construction of an entire neighbourhood, home to 1,100 residents and 150 jobs in the City of Zurich. The scale (cooperative neighbourhood), energy-efficient buildings, social diversity and the predominance of common spaces are but some examples of the innovation at the core of this project.

For more information:
<https://psh.urbamonde.org/#/en/community/2> ;
<https://www.mehralswohnen.ch/>

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LINKS

urbaMonde: <https://urbamonde.org>

Digital social platform (social production of habitat platform): psh.urbamonde.org

World Habitat Awards: <https://www.bshf.org/world-habitat-awards/>

Social production of habitat platform on Vimeo: <https://vimeo.com/142355996>

Salon Habitat Groupé: <https://www.habitat-groupe.be/salon2016/>

Habitat et Participation ASBL: <https://www.habitat-participation.be/>