## Visitor’s Guide to Leuven

### Getting to Leuven from Brussels Airport (located in Zaventem)

**By taxi**

The company Airport Taxis offers airport transfers to/from Leuven starting from EUR 40 one way. More information and an online booking application can be found on their website [http://leuven-taxi.be/en/](http://leuven-taxi.be/en/).

In addition, taxis with a taximeter are permanently available in front of the Brussels Airport arrivals hall. Licensed taxis can be recognized by the blue and yellow emblem. Travellers are advised to avoid unlicensed taxis.

**By train**

The airport train station is located below the terminal (basement level-1). Tickets can be purchased at the counter, vending machines or in advance via [http://www.belgianrail.be/en/Default.aspx](http://www.belgianrail.be/en/Default.aspx)

Indicative price for a 2nd class return journey: 19 euro

Please note when travelling to Brussels Airport, you should keep your train ticket to hand upon arrival at Brussels Airport. You will need to scan it at the automated access gates.

The train to Leuven runs twice an hour. It takes only 15 minutes to get from Brussels Airport to Leuven.

Directions for public transport between Leuven train station and selected hotels in Leuven are provided below.

### Getting to Leuven from Brussels South Airport (located in Charleroi)

**By bus + train or by taxi**

You can take a bus from Charleroi Airport to Charleroi Station. Alternatively, you can take a shuttle bus to Brussels South/Midi/South station.


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### Getting to Leuven from Brussels

**Train Stations**

Brussels has three main stations: North, South and Central called Nord/Noord, Midi/Zuid and Centrale/Centraal in Dutch and French respectively. The train journey takes approximately 30 minutes to Leuven.

Indicative price for a 2nd class return journey: 11 euro. The tickets are for a specific day but not for a specific journey. There are at least 4 trains per hour to Leuven. Tickets can be bought at the counter, vending machines or in advance via [http://www.belgianrail.be/en/Default.aspx](http://www.belgianrail.be/en/Default.aspx)

If you travel by Eurostar or Thalys, you arrive in Brussels South/Midi/Zuid where you will need to transfer to the Belgian Railways (called SNCB in French and NMBS in Dutch).

If you travel by regular train, you can buy your ticket to Leuven directly and do not necessarily need to transfer in Brussels.

### Leuven Tourist Information


### Transport in Leuven

**Getting to campus Gasthuisberg by public transport**

The Leuven railway station is located 4 km from the Faculty of Medicine, located on Campus Gasthuisberg next to University Hospitals (UZ Leuven). Next to the railway station (at the right hand side if you exit the station through the front entrance while facing the city centre), is a bus station with 12 platforms.

Buses to the hospital depart every 10 minutes from platform 2. There is a bus stop called “Gasthuisberg Kliniek” in front of the main entrance of the hospital. Once you arrive at the main entrance of the hospital, please ask the info desk for directions on how to reach campus or follow the signs for the VSLO meeting.

Buses that stop at Gasthuisberg hospital: **bus 316, 317, 333, 334, 335, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 600 & 601**.
In addition, **bus 3** departs every 10 minutes from **platform 4**. Bus 3 takes you right up to Campus Gasthuisberg. You should get off at the final stop “**Gasthuisberg Campus**”, which is right in front of the medical campus’ main building (this is the stop **after** Gasthuisberg Kliniek, in front of the hospital).

You can obtain more information about bus connections and the timetable at [www.delijn.be](http://www.delijn.be).

**Parking in Leuven:**

The nearest car park to the Park Inn Radisson and Ibis hotel is **P1-Parking Station Leuven**. The price for one day (24 h access) during the week is €20 and €5 during the weekend. Your parking ticket includes a free return bus ride to the city (or to the Faculty of Medicine campus).

The GPS coordinates of the parking are 50.883363; 4.716332

Please note that you can only pay by bankcard or credit card. All major credit cards are accepted.

In case you wish to park your car on campus during the day of the conference, please contact us and we will arrange a parking code for you. Please use the instructions on this page [https://med.kuleuven.be/eng/general/FindUs](https://med.kuleuven.be/eng/general/FindUs) to find the location. Beware of the construction on campus.
### Hotel

**Block booking for VSLO meeting 2018**

**Park Inn by Radisson Leuven**

Martelarenlaan 36, 3010 Leuven  
Tel. +32 16 61 66 00  
Fax +32 16 61 67 00  
e-mail: info.leuven@parkinn.com  
https://www.parkinn.com/hotel-leuven/

VSLO meeting rates (per night in euro incl. breakfast and free Wi-Fi)

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Prices excl. €1.06 city tax per person per night.

These VSLO meeting hotel rates expire after 3 March 2018. Please use the attached reservation form when reserving your room!

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### Directions

**From Leuven Station to the hotel:** The hotel is located 25 metres from the train station. At Leuven train station an elevator is going from each platform (level 0) to the pedestrian bridge crossing the station (level +1). Exit the elevator and turn left – direction Kessel-Lo. At the end of the pedestrian bridge you will see Park Inn by Radisson Leuven on your left side.

**From the hotel to Faculty of Medicine at Campus Gasthuisberg University Hospital:**

Buses to the city centre and Gasthuisberg University Hospital leave from the train station, including bus 3, 316, 317, 333, 335, 370, 371, 372, 380 and 600. If you take bus 3, you can get off at bus stop Gasthuisberg Campus, the final stop which is right in front of the medical campus’ main building. When taking another bus, you should get off at bus stop Gasthuisberg Kliniek, the final stop which is right in front of the hospital. Once you arrive at the main entrance of the hospital, please ask the info desk for directions on how to reach campus or follow the signs for the VSLO meeting.
## Hotel

**Ibis Budget Leuven Centrum (ETAP Hotel)**

Martelarenlaan 10  
3010 LEUVEN  
tel. +32 16 47 98 80  
fax + 32 16 47 98 91  
e-mail: H6682@Accor.com  
[www.ibisbudget.com/6682](http://www.ibisbudget.com/6682)

Rates (incl. breakfast, free Wifi and city tax (€0.95 per night))

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### Directions

**From Leuven train station to the hotel:**

The Ibis Budget Hotel is located right behind the train station. On the platforms, go down into the pedestrian tunnel and turn towards the side of Kessel-Lo (opposite direction of the city centre). After walking up the stairs, turn left. The hotel will be on your left hand side.
### Hotel

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| Vital Decosterstraat 23  
3000 Leuven  
tel: 016/67.60.88 | |

**Self-catering hotel (No block booking for the VSLO meeting was made)**

### Directions

**Faculty of Medicine at Campus Gasthuisberg University Hospital:**

Buses to the city centre and Gasthuisberg University Hospital leave from the train station, including bus 3, 316, 317, 333, 335, 370, 371, 372, 380 and 600. If you take **bus 3**, you can get off at bus stop **Gasthuisberg Campus**, the final stop which is right in front of the medical campus' main building. When taking another bus, you should get off at bus stop **Gasthuisberg Kliniek**, the final stop which is right in front of the hospital. Once you arrive at the main entrance of the hospital, please ask the info desk for directions on how to reach campus or follow the signs for the GHLO meeting.

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### General Rates (Sunday-Thursday)

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### Weekend rates (Friday-Saturday)

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+ Packages available (week/weekend).
For more information, see website.

Note: Tourist tax of 1.5 euro per night per person is charged on top of the above-mentioned rates.

We offer a discount to KU Leuven of 5% on the above-mentioned prices regardless of the number of rooms and the duration of the stay. Discount code: Happyguest

### Facilities

- Free WiFi
- Sitting area and private kitchen
- Private parking hire (€15 per night)

### Directions

The Getaway Studios are located at walking distance from the train station (10 min). Alternatively, you can take a bus at the train station. You should get off at bus stop J. Stasstraat, which is the first stop. Most buses stop here, including bus 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 285, 315, 317, 351, 358, 371, 372, and 537.

Faculty of Medicine at Campus Gasthuisberg University Hospital:

It's a five-minute walk from the hotel to bus stop J. Stasstraat. Bus 3, 316, 317, 333, 335, 370, 371, 372 and 380 take you to Gasthuisberg University Hospital in 10 minutes. If you take bus 3, you can get off at bus stop Gasthuisberg Campus, the final stop which is right in front of the medical campus’ main building. When taking another bus, you should get off at bus stop Gasthuisberg Kliniek, the final stop which is right in front of the hospital. Once you arrive at the main entrance of the hospital, please ask the info desk for directions on how to reach campus or follow the signs for the VSLO meeting.