



# FINAL CONFERENCE OF THE SMART RURAL 27 PROJECT

18-19 March 2024  
**Brussels (Belgium)**



## Practical information

### Purpose

**The purpose** of the meeting is **to share with a wide range of stakeholders the knowledge and outcomes developed by the Smart Rural 27 project** on 'creating a more effective Smart Villages support framework'. During the event we will share and discuss – among others - the outcomes of the analytical work on the CAP and other policies and lessons from the work of the Pilot European Smart Villages Observatory and from working with smart rural communities. The event also aims **to discuss the Future of the Smart Villages**, i.e. what support is needed for effective Smart Villages support and how the work of the Pilot European Smart Villages Observatory activities will continue.

### Event venue

**The event will take place in [Ateliers des Tanneurs](#)**

**Address:** Rue des Tanneurs 58-62 1000 Brussels

Situated in the heart of Brussels, between the Sablon, Place du Jeu de Balle, and Brussels-Chapel train station, Les Ateliers des Tanneurs provides designated spaces within a stunning Art Nouveau-style complex. Its proximity to Brussels-South and Brussels Central Station, public transportation, and downtown hotels makes it a convenient location.



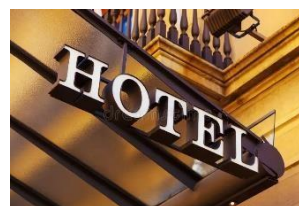
### Livestreaming

**Selected sessions of the event will also be livestreamed.** The online sessions will be made available on Smart Rural 27 YouTube channel: [Smart Rural 27 - YouTube](#)

## Accommodation

### Recommended hotels in the area:

**Please be aware that our event takes place in a busy period in Brussels, with several simultaneous events. Hotels may fill up rapidly, therefore, we strongly advise you to secure your room as soon as possible.**



These hotels are only recommendations, and we have no prior arrangements with any of these hotels for participants who book their own accommodation. For prices and availability, kindly contact the hotels directly.

#### **\*\*Numa I Lief \*\*\*\*\***

Address: Place Rouppe 17, 1000 Brussels

Website: [www.numastays.com](http://www.numastays.com)

#### **\*\*NH Hotel du Grand Sablon \*\*\*\*\***

Address: Rue Bodenbroek 2/4, 1000 Brussels

Website: NH Hotel du Grand Sablon

#### **\*\*THON HOTEL BRISTOL STEPHANIE \*\*\*\*\***

Address: Avenue Louise, 93, 1050 Bruxelles

Reservation: 02/543 33 10 (Réservation Bristol)

Website: [www.thonhotels.com](http://www.thonhotels.com)

#### **\*\*Ibis Hotel, Brussels Centre Gare du Midi \*\*\***

Address: Rue d'Angleterre 2-20, 1060 Brussels

Website: [Ibis Hotel, Brussels Centre Gare du Midi](http://Ibis Hotel, Brussels Centre Gare du Midi)

#### **\*\*Hotel Bedford \*\*\***

Address: 135-137 Rue du Midi, B-1000 Brussels

Website: [www.hotelbedford.be](http://www.hotelbedford.be)

**\*\*Park Inn by Radisson Brussels Midi \*\*\***

Address: Place Marcel Broodthaers, 3, 1060 Brussels

Website: [www.parkinn.com/hotel-brussels](http://www.parkinn.com/hotel-brussels)

**\*\*Hotel The Augustin \*\*\*\*\***

Address: Avenue Stalingrad 25/31, 1000 Brussels

Website: [www.theaugustin.co](http://www.theaugustin.co)

**How to get there?**

**Arrival to the event's venue:**

**The event will take place in Ateliers des Tanneurs**

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**For planning your trip please click here for the map: [Google Maps Atelier des Tanneurs](#)**

**How to get there by public transport:**

Place du Jeu de Balle: bus 27, 48

Lemonnier: tram 3, 4, 51, 82

Anneessens: tram 3, 4, 31, 32

Midi: bus 27, 49, 50, 78 – tram 3, 4, 32, 51, 81, 82 – metro: 2, 6

Porte de Hal: bus 27, 48 – tram 3, 4, 51 – metro 2, 6

Louise: tram 92, 93, 94, 97 – metro: 2, 6

**By car (parking)**

Place du Jeu de Balle (free) from 5pm

Parking Poelaert, access by lift to les Marolles

Near to Brussels-Chapel train station

**How to get to Brussels & to the centre?**

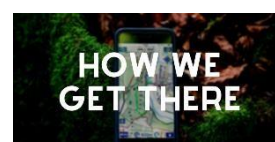
**By Plane:**

***Brussels Airport (BRU):***

Location: Brussels Airport is located about 12 kilometers northeast of the city center.

From Brussels Airport you can easily take the train, bus or taxi to Brussels. For trains timetables and tickets, consult the SNCB/NMBS trip planner. **For more information you can check the website:** <https://www.visit.brussels/en/visitors/plan-your-trip/practical-info/how-to-get-to-brussels>.

Train: From Brussels Airport there is a fast, direct connection to the main Brussels railway stations (Brussels North, Brussels Central and Brussels South). There is a direct train every 15



minutes in both directions. You arrive in the centre of Brussels in 17 minutes.

Bus: Several buses operate from the airport to different parts of Brussels. The journey time varies depending on the specific route.

You can find more information [here](#).

### ***Charleroi Airport (CRL)***

Location: Charleroi Airport is situated about 46 kilometers south of Brussels.

Transport to City Center:

Bus: The Brussels City Shuttle operates between Charleroi Airport and Brussels Midi/Zuid station. The journey takes around 1 hour.

You can find more information [here](#).

### **By Train:**

[Eurostar](#): Eurostar trains connect Brussels with London, Paris, Dusseldorf.

### **By Bus:**

[Eurolines](#) and [FlixBus](#): These long-distance bus services connect Brussels with various European cities. The bus stations are often located close to major train stations.

## **Contact**

### **For any practical matters about travel and organisation contact:**

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For any other questions on the Smart Rural 27 project, you can also contact Edina Ocsko (Project Coordinator) at [edina.ocsko@e40.eu](mailto:edina.ocsko@e40.eu).