

CONFERENCE OF THE EUROPEAN MINISTERS RESPONSIBLE FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

Leuven/Louvain-la-Neuve, 28-29 April 2009

Monday 27 April 2009: arrival and welcome in Leuven		
All day	Welcome of the delegations and transportation to Leuven	Brussels National Airport and Leuven Station
14.00-16.00	BFUG meeting in Leuven	Central University Library
16.00-21.00	Conference registration and Coffee	University Hall
18.00	Aperitif hosted by the Mayor of the City of Leuven / guided tours of City Hall and Saint-Peter's Church	City Hall Leuven
20.00	Welcome dinner hosted by the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven	University Hall
Tuesday 28 April 2009: conference day 1 (Leuven)		
From 08.00	Welcome with coffee	Central University Library
	Registration (continued)	
09.00-11.00	Plenary session I <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Welcome speeches by Czech Presidency, Benelux hosts and the Rector of K.U. Leuven ➤ Keynote speech by European Commissioner ➤ Contributions from consultative members ➤ Presentation of stocktaking results 	Central University Library Live transmission to Mercierzaal, press room and through internet
11.00-11.30	Coffee Break and family picture	Central University Library
11.30-13.00	Plenary session II <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Discussion on communiqué 	Central University Library
13.00 -15.00	Walk from Central University Library to University Hall Lunch offered by the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven Walk from University Hall to Central University Library	University Hall
15.00-16.00	5 parallel sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Discussions by Heads of delegations on issues remaining 	Central University Library 5 separate rooms
16.00-16.45	Coffee Break	Central University Library
	Meeting of chairs and rapporteurs	

16.45-18.00	Plenary session III ➤ Feedback from parallel sessions ➤ Towards finalising communiqué	Live transmission to Mercierzaal, press room and through internet
18.00	Transportation or walk to hotels	
19.15	Transportation from hotels to Abbaye de La Ramée (Jodoigne)	
20.00	Formal reception and official conference dinner hosted by the Benelux Ministers	Abbaye de La Ramée
From 22.30	Transportation back to the hotels in Leuven	
Wednesday 29 April: conference day 2 (Louvain-la-Neuve)		
8.00	Transportation from hotels to Louvain-la-Neuve	
9.00-10.00	Plenary session IV ➤ Welcome address by Rector of UC Louvain ➤ Finalisation and adoption of the Communiqué ➤ Information on the next ministerial conferences ➤ Closing statements	Aula Magna
10.00-10.30	Coffee Break and family picture	Aula Magna
10.30-13.00	Bologna Forum ➤ Dialogue with invited Ministers from different parts of the world	Aula Magna
13.00	Press conference	Foyer Royal
	Closing lunch hosted by the Université catholique de Louvain	Cercle du Lac (Ministers) Foyer du Lac and mezzanine (delegations)
	Transportation of delegates by bus to the airport, Bruxelles Midi railway station and Leuven	