

If you are a Kiwanian under 40 and want to contribute to defining the future of Kiwanis, save the date for the European Young Kiwanis Summit in Ghent, from 21 to 23rd of April 2023!

# **EUROPEAN YOUNG KIWANIS SUMMIT 2023** 21-23 April 2023 | Ghent - Belgium



#### ABOUT

The average age of Kiwanis members is 64. next year it will be 65. Kiwanis is getting older and now it is time to rejuvenate!

Last year's event was held in Lisbon, Portugal, and due to it's big success we are coming back with a new edition in 2023! This year in beautiful Ghent, the undiscovered coolest city of Europe, according the New York Times!

## AIM

The goal of this summit is to hear our younger members, to explore how they see the future of Kiwanis and how they plan to ensure succession and a bright future for our organization.

## **OBJECTIVES**

- To give Young Kiwanians a forum to share how they see rejuvenation in the organisation
- To give Young Kiwanians a space to propose new initiatives for rejuvenation
- To give Young Kiwanians the opportunity to get on stage and take responsibility
- To engage and recruit young volunteers who can take responsibility at district & European levels
- To promote "younger" approaches to Kiwanis membership (new types of clubs, MeetUps,...)
- To brainstorm on new ideas about how we can grow with younger people.

### THE PLACE

the Coolest Undiscovered European city, according the New York Times: Ghent, Belgium



### AGENDA

- We are preparing several sessions and workshops:
- •How to prepare Kiwanis for the future?
- •A younger, creative and modern Kiwanis
- •Rejuvenation in clubs
- •MeetUps as a new club opening format with younger members
- •Innovative youth led social projects

Aside from the formal sessions, we will of course also enjoy some teambuilding, a drink together, networking, and... enjoy Ghent!

More details of the programme, are here: https://kiwaniseurope.padlet.org/janvanhove/KE2023\_EYKS

### CONDITIONS

We have places for 25 young Kiwanis members, not older then 40 years old, from all around Europe. Although we can imagine that our American, African and Asian friends are also interested, we are however limited to 30 people from the European districts and nations.

If you are interested, please first read the costs and what we cover, and then fill in the registration form.

#### VENUE

Novotel Gent, in the middle of the historical center https://all.accor.com/hotel/0840/index.en.shtml





#### ENROLMENT FEE

There is no participation fee or enrolment fee. Please read further to find out what we cover, and what is your own contribution.

### HOTEL

Your hotel accommodation will be arranged. A single room, buffet breakfast included, for the nights of Friday 21 & Saturday 22 April will be booked and covered by the organisation. If you want to extend your stay in Ghent, or if you want to arrive a day earlier to have some extra tourist activities, you organize extra nights by yourself wherever you'd like to stay.

### MEALS

We cover a dinner on Friday evening in the hotel. Breakfast, lunch, in the hotel on Saturday. In the evening on Saturday evening, we go to another place, where we will have a common dinner . Sunday we cover a breakfast, and a lunch in the hotel for people who depart later in the afternoon, if you indicate that you will take that on your registration form.

#### TRAVEL

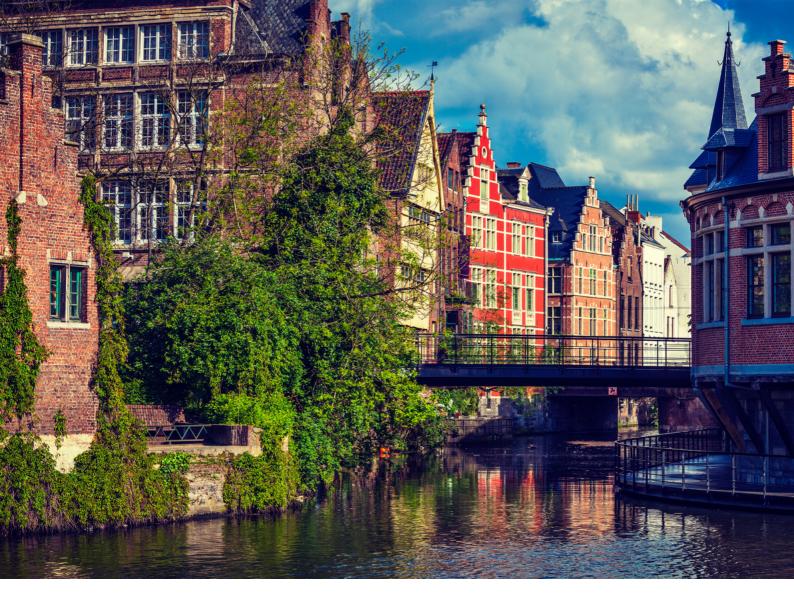
All confirmed participants in the EYKS, are expected to be at the hotel around 17:30 local time and to arrange for their departure, bearing in mind that we will close the event at 12:30 on Sunday. You are arranging your own travel to the venue, and back home. All participants who get the confirmation that they are registered, will need to

participants who get the confirmation that they are registered, will need to book their own flight. Don't book your flight if you did not get confirmation that you are enrolled!!

Confirmed participants arrange their own travel to the airport in your own country, book their own flights to Brussels International airort and back, and take a direct train in the airport to Ghent.

Flying to Brussels-south/Charleroi airport and taking a Flibco bus is also possible, but a little less convenient, as your travel will take longer.

We will provide more details about the travel, how to issue a train/bus ticket and so on. It's super-easy in the airport from Brussels-International.



#### REIMBURSMENT



People who fully participate in the programme, will be reimbursed for their travel costs, depending on the distance from their home to Ghent, according to the official distance calculator of the European Commission: https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/resources-and-tools/distance-calculator

• If the distance from your home town/city to Ghent is LESS than 2000 kilometers, with this distance calculator, we will reimburse you up to 300 euro for your travel. Everything you spend more to get to the venue and back home, is your own financial contribution to the weekend.

• If the distance from your home town/city to Ghent is MORE than 2000 kilometers, with this distance calculator, we will reimburse you up to 450 euro for your travel. Everything you spend more to get to the venue and back home, is your own contribution to the weekend.

