18th International Wildlife Law Conference

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Information for Participants

1. Transportation

Getting to Tilburg

The closest airport to Tilburg is Eindhoven Airport, roughly 30 kilometers away. To reach Tilburg from this airport via public transportation, one can take a bus to Eindhoven central train station, followed by a train.

Schiphol Airport is located approximately 120 kilometers from Tilburg, which can be reached from the airport by train (note the need to change connections in either Rotterdam, Breda or 's-Hertogenbosch, depending on the route you are taking).

More information about how to reach Tilburg by train, car, and air can be found here.

More specific information about train routes, schedules, and tickets can be found <u>here</u>. Note that there are train stations located both in central Tilburg ('Tilburg') and at Tilburg University ('Tilburg Universiteit'). The central train station is located adjacent to the central bus station.

If you are planning to use public transportation for traveling to and around Tilburg, you might consider purchasing an OV-chipkaart (a smart card costing € 7.50) upon your arrival in the Netherlands. These cards can be bought from vending machines found at all train stations, where they can also be loaded with credit to use on trains, busses and trams. Single-use tickets can also be purchased from vending machines, and usually cost slightly more per ride.

Getting Around Tilburg

Tilburg University is situated approximately 2.5 kilometers from the city centre and the two are connected by both trains and buses (bus # 4). Train schedules are easily searchable here, and both train and bus routes can also be easily planned via the Dutch travel site 9292, as well as Google Maps.

As is common in Dutch cities, Tilburg has a well-maintained network of cycling paths. If you would like to rent a bicycle for the duration of your time in Tilburg, this is possible at a rate of € 4.99 per day through Van Rijswijk Tweewielers (email info@fietsverhuurtilburg.nl to make a reservation).

Several taxi services operate in Tilburg. Examples include <u>Tilburg City Taxi</u> (+31 13 2600 688) and <u>Taxi</u> <u>Tilburg</u> (+31 13 7777 777).

Getting Around Campus

A map of Tilburg University campus is available here. The conference registration, plenary sessions, and coffee breaks will take place in the Esplanade ('E') Building. The train station is located to the north of campus and, for those travelling by car, a parking lot is situated at the west entrance to campus. The conference dinner will be held just across the road from the parking lot at the University's Faculty Club (marked 'F' on the map).

2. Accommodation

Accommodation options in Tilburg are listed here, as well as at Booking.com. Please note that, because IWLC18 partially overlaps with Tilburg's hosting of the Roadburn Festival, accommodation availability in Tilburg city centre is likely to be more limited during this period than it usually is. Some participants might therefore prefer to find accommodation in the nearby cities of 's-Hertogenbosch or Breda. Both have train connections to the Tilburg University station. The train rides are 19 minutes and 16 minutes respectively, and both depart at half hour intervals.

3. Visas

Information about the visa requirements for visiting the Netherlands can be found <u>here</u>. Upon request, an official invitation letter will be sent to participants. This can be attached to your visa application.

4. Currency

The Netherlands' currency is the Euro (€). Please note that the use of credit cards is not as well established in the Netherlands as in some other countries, with some shops and restaurants only accepting payment by cash or debit card.

5. Weather

The average high temperature in Tilburg for the month of April is 15.5°C (59.9°F) and the average low temperature is 4.9°C (40.8°F). Rain is common at this time of year, and participants are therefore advised to bring some waterproof clothing.

6. Time Zone and Dialing Code

The Netherlands is in the Central European Time zone (GMT +1 hour). The international dialing code is (011) 31.

7. Voltage and Plug Type

The Netherlands uses <u>types C and F</u> power sockets. The standard voltage is 230 V and the standard frequency is 50 Hz.







