



**CETAF Governing Board Meeting
Leiden, the Netherlands
21 October 2019**

The CETAF Governing Board Meeting of 21 October 2019 will take place at Naturalis Biodiversity Center in Leiden, the Netherlands. The following information may be of use to the preparation of your travel to Leiden.

Arriving in the Netherlands

The international airport Schiphol is a hub for many airlines. There is a frequent train connection from the airport to Leiden (20 minutes).

Schiphol Airport is approx. 30 km from the city centre of Leiden. Official taxi stands are located in front of Schiphol Plaza. A taxi ride Schiphol-Leiden amounts to € 50 - € 60. Drivers accept credit cards, cannot refuse carriage and will issue a printed receipt. Please avoid all unsolicited rides from taxi touts.

[schiphol.nl/en/](https://www.schiphol.nl/en/)

The Schiphol Amsterdam Airport app is available from app stores.

A direct train connects Schiphol to Leiden Centraal. Tickets are available from a service desk and from vending machines. Credit cards are accepted. A train planner and general information is available at <https://www.ns.nl/en>

An NS-app is available from app stores.

Hotels

Fletcher Hotel, Bargelaan 180, 2333 CW Leiden,

A special price of € 131.50 pppn including breakfast is offered. Please use this link to book against the special rate: <https://www.wellnesshotelleiden.nl/en/arrangementen/gbif>

Tulip Inn and Golden Tulip Hotel, Schipholweg 3, 2316 XB Leiden

<https://tulip-inn-leiden-centre.goldentulip.com/>

IBIS Hotel, Stationsplein 240-242, 2312 AR Leiden

<https://www.accorhotels.com/gb/hotel-8087-ibis-leiden-centre/index.shtml#origin=ibis>

Early booking is advised. A high demand for hotel rooms is expected as there will be another conference in Leiden in the same period.

All locations for the CETAF Governing Board Meeting and Biodiversity Next are within walking distance from the train station Leiden Centraal.

Hotels next to train stations in nearby towns are a good alternative. At a train ride of 10 minutes to Leiden you can find:

Van der Valk Hotel Sassenheim, <https://www.hotelsassenheim.nl/>

Babylon Hotel Den Haag, <https://www.babylonhoteldenhaag.com/en/>

Both train stations Sassenheim and Den Haag Centraal have a direct train connection to both Schiphol Airport and Leiden Centraal.

Meeting venue

The meeting of the CETAF Governing Board will be at the new museum of Naturalis Biodiversity Center
Darwinweg 2, 2333 CR Leiden

Leiden, City of Discoveries

Leiden has been one of Europe's most prominent scientific centres for more than four centuries. Leiden University is the oldest university of the Netherlands, home to thirteen Nobel Prize winners. Many important scientific discoveries have been made here, giving rise to Leiden's motto: 'City of Discoveries'.

Leiden is also one of the oldest cities in The Netherlands with 800 years of visible history. It is famous for its old city centre with its canals, city gates, bridges, windmills, a castle, an observatory, the botanical gardens, weavers' homes, almshouses, two large late gothic churches and several historical edifices.

Stroll along the canals and on the narrow streets of the old city centre. Tread in the footsteps of Rembrandt or discover the pillars of medical history of the Netherlands in the Hortus botanicus, the Academy building, the workplaces of Professor Boerhaave and an anatomic theatre from the 16th century.

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Additional photos for information pages.

