Accessibility Guide

This accessibility guide is designed to help participants of the EURegionsWeek 2026 taking place from 12 to 14 October 2026.

Sessions are held across different buildings. Please verify building locations and room names in advance.

There are two main venues.

SQUARE Brussels Convention Centre Mont des Arts 1000 Brussels General building access information	**European Committee of the Regions** Building Jacques Delors (JDE) Rue Belliard 99-101 1040 Brussels

The **Opening session** will be held at the European Parliament.

European Parliament
Altiero Spinelli building, European Parliament Hemicycle

Some **Regional Partnership sessions** are held in the regional offices/venue of the session organiser. Please always check where the session you have registered for is taking place.

Close-to-you events take place in cities across Europe and beyond from 12 October until 20 December 2026. For the list of these sessions please consult the EURegionsWeek Close to you programme. For details, please contact the session coordinators directly.

If you plan to attend with a support person who is not registered for the event, we can arrange access for them. Please email us at contact@euregionsweek.eu.

Transport in Brussels

Accessible Public Transport

Wheelchair users may encounter challenges when using public transport in Brussels. While 50 stations are currently accessible, the gap between the platform and the vehicle can still present a significant barrier to independent travel.

Full details on the accessibility of buses, metros, and trams can be found on the STIB-MIVB website: Access to stops, stations and vehicles - STIB - MIVB.

Accessible Taxis

Taxi company Taxi Verts offers vehicles specially equipped with ramps and lifts, suitable for people with reduced mobility. This accessible service is available 24/7.

- **Pricing**: Fares are the same as for conventional taxis.
- **Waiting times**:
  - **Off-peak hours**: Typically, 15 to 30 minutes.
  - **Rush hours**: Allow up to 30 extra minutes.
- **Advance booking**: You can pre-book your taxi in advance for added convenience.
  - **By phone**: Call +32 (0)2 349 49 49.
  - **Via mobile app**: Select the “PRM” option under eCab+ service level.
  - **Download the app** for free here: Taxis Verts App – iPhone & Android

A list of additional accessible taxi services is available on Taxi – Handy.Brussels.

Venues

SQUARE Brussels Convention Centre

We encourage you to consult access-i.be, available in English, French, Dutch, and German. This resource provides tailored accessibility information based on individual needs. It includes:

- A breakdown of features and considerations for a wide range of access needs
- A technical gallery with photos to help you visualise the venue layout

Please note that you may encounter some accessibility challenges on-site. Our on-site team will be available to assist you, and we encourage you to contact us in advance with any specific requirements.

Public Transport

The nearest train station is Brussels Central Station, approximately 400 metres from the venue. However, due to ongoing works, the lift serving the platforms at Brussels Central Station is currently unavailable. This significantly affects wheelchair users and other passengers with reduced mobility. Passengers with reduced mobility are advised to use Parc or De Brouckère metro stations instead.

Participants are advised to check the STIB-MIVB Journey Planner before travelling for the latest information on routes, lift availability and accessibility arrangements.

Accessible Car Parking

The nearest accessible and Blue Badge parking is located in the basement of the venue, at the Interparking Albertine-Square car park. The car park is fully paved and provides step-free access to the venue's front entrance. It is open 24 hours and includes charging facilities for electric vehicles. The car park is situated directly beneath SQUARE, offering indoor access to the venue. More information is available at Car park Albertine-Square in Brussels | Interparking.

Entrance

A dedicated wheelchair-accessible entrance is located at Mont des Arts Terrasse Cube (referred to as the “Silver Entrance”).



To ensure a smooth and safe experience, we recommend that visitors who use mobility aids, or who are blind, have low vision, are deaf, or hard of hearing, use this step-free entrance. It includes a separate security line and helps avoid the crowds and stairs at the main entrance.

This entrance is located at the top of the Cube and provides direct, step-free access to the building. It is not open to the general public; however, a security guard will be present to provide access to event participants. Please be prepared to show your event badge or email confirmation with QR code.

General access

- All floors are accessible by a wheelchair-friendly lift
- Most internal staircases are equipped with platform lifts or mobile ramps
- Accessible toilets (WC PMR) are available and clearly signposted
- Venue security staff are trained to assist visitors with accessibility needs

Floor access via lift and escalator

Sessions are held across several levels within the venue, all floors are accessible by lifts. The Square building connects levels 0 to +5 with the ‘North Lift’ and the ‘South Lift’. Level 0 to -2 are connected by a separate elevator.

An escalator connects the levels -1 and 0.

Passageways

Most passageways are wide and free of obstacles, supporting smooth movement for wheelchair users and people with reduced mobility.

However, due to the high number of attendees expected, movement between rooms may be slower or congested. We recommend allowing extra time to navigate the venue, especially during peak session transitions.

The Silver Hall is accessible via a platform lift. Please note that this lift may not meet all accessibility standards due to its limited size. An alternative accessible entrance is available.

If you require assistance moving between rooms or levels, please contact the registration team in advance or visit the information desk during the event.

Floor Surfaces

The main event rooms are carpeted, providing a stable surface for mobility aids.

The entrance hall has a highly polished tile floor, which may be slippery for some users.

Quiet Room

A quiet room (Circle 110) is available for attendees who require a calm or private space.

Accessible Toilets

Adapted toilets are available throughout the venue. They are clearly signposted and designed for ease of use. Level +5 (Panoramic Hall) does not have an accessible toilet. The nearest accessible option is located on Level +4 South.

Side transfer from wheelchair to toilet is possible from left to right.

A Changing Places toilet is also available; its location will be clearly indicated on-site.

European Committee of the Regions (CoR) - Building Jacques Delors (JDE)

Entrance and Building Access

The main entrance is located on Rue Belliard 99-101, 1040 Brussels.

The building is wheelchair accessible, with step-free access available at the main entrance. Security staff are trained to assist visitors with accessibility requirements.

Conference assistants will be available outside the building to give priority assistance to participants with reduced mobility or special access needs, helping them avoid long queues at the entrance.

Internal Mobility

All public areas and meeting rooms are accessible by lift.

Most passageways are wide and free of obstacles, supporting smooth movement for wheelchair users and people with reduced mobility.

Accessible toilets are available and signposted throughout the building.

If you require assistance moving between rooms or levels, please contact EURegionsWeek@cor.europa.eu in advance or request assistance at the Info Desk located at the JDE entrance hall (ground floor).

Support and Assistance

If you plan to attend with support person who is not registered for the event, you can inform us on the spot so that we can arrange access.

Public Transport

The European Committee of the Regions is easily accessible by public transport. The nearest stops and stations are:

- Maelbeek/Maalbeek (metro and bus)

- Schuman (metro, bus and train station)

- Luxembourg/Luxemburg (bus and train station)

- Leopold Park (bus)

- Trèves/Trier (bus)

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European Parliament

Altiero Spinelli building, European Parliament Hemicycle (Opening Session only).

The SPINELLI building is equipped with various accessibility features, including accessible entrances, adapted service desks, tactile floor guidance, colour-contrasted signage, comfortably accessible elevators, and ramps to ensure access to conference rooms and galleries. Additionally, frontline staff receive specialized training to raise awareness and provide the best possible support to visitors in need.

Contact

If you require specific information or assistance, contact us the Joint Secretariat at contact@euregionsweek.eu