

CAP Conference 2018 Amsterdam



Survival guide









Introduction

Dear participant! We are very happy to welcome you at the 11th conference of the Comparative Agendas Project (CAP) at the University of Amsterdam. This survival guide contains useful information to make sure that you will have a nice conference. Do not hesitate to contact us at capconference2018@gmail.com in case of questions.

Traveling & Transport

Schiphol Airport to Amsterdam

If you arrive at Schiphol Airport, you can take a taxi, bus or train to the city center.

- Taxi: If you're in a rush or want the convenience of being ferried straight to your door, a taxi is the best option. At Schiphol you can choose to either take a taxi with other people (shared transport) or with your own private group (private transport). The journey will take between 25 and 45 minutes and the fare is calculated by metre (approximately between 40 and 60€).
- Train: Taking the train to the city centre is the most convenient travel option, in terms of both comfort and speed. The train journey to Amsterdam Central station takes only 15 to 20 minutes. Schiphol's train station is located directly underneath the airport and trains run 24 hours a day. Please note that Amsterdam Central Station is not the only destination the NS trains run to, as they also head to the outskirts of the city, such as Amsterdam Sloterdijk and Amsterdam Amstel. A ticket for a one-way journey costs 4.30€. You can buy train tickets at the yellow ticket machines on the platforms at Schiphol Plaza or at the NS offices near the Meeting Point, which is a large square cube, at the same Plaza. Or you can buy your train ticket in advance on the website of the NS: https://www.ns.nl/en
- Bus: Schiphol Airport has a large number of bus connections to Amsterdam.
 Bus lines 197 and 370 (Interliner) run to Leidseplein, which is located in the city centre and Oud Zuid during the day. Buses depart every 15 minutes. If you're travelling at night, you can take bus lines 97 and 358 (Niteliner) to the same destinations. These buses run from 00.30 to 05:00.To board the bus, head to Schiphol Plaza, in front of the arrivals and departures terminal.

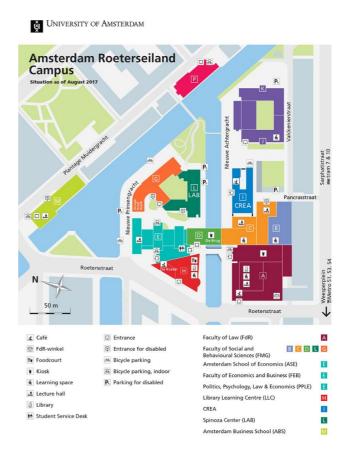
Public transport in general

- If you plan to use public transport frequently, you might consider buying a
 GVB day ticket or multiday ticket. Note that these tickets are only valid in
 GVB metros, trams, and buses. Thus, these are not valid in the regional buses
 or on the train. https://en.gvb.nl/ontdek-amsterdam/gvb-dag-meerdagenkaart
- If you plan to use public transport frequently and you will be travelling from Schiphol Airport to the city centre by train, you might consider buying an Amsterdam Travel Ticket for 1, 2 or 3 days. https://en.gvb.nl/amsterdam-travel-ticket

Conference Venue & Locations

The conference takes place at the UvA's Roeterseilandcampus (REC) in Building C (the orange building on the campus map below). On Wednesday, at the start of the conference, lunch and registration is foreseen between 12.00 and 12.45 in room C10.20 (REC Building C, 10th floor). All sessions take place in Building C at the 2nd and 10th floor. The reception ("Borrel") on Wednesday is in CREA (the blue building on the campus map). The lunch on Thursday is at "De Brug" (green building on the campus map; accessible via the 4th floor of the C building).

- UvA Roeterseilandcampus Building C
 Nieuwe Achtergracht 166
 1018 WV Amsterdam
- The REC campus is easily connected to public transport; check out https://9292.nl/en or google maps to find out which route suits you best.



On Thursday, the conference dinner takes place at "Hanneke's Boom", a location with a view close to the Ij-river. Hanneke's boom is located at a 10-minute walk from Amsterdam Central Station. Alternatively, you can take tramway 26 in front of Amsterdam Central Station and exit at the first stop (it will take you 3 minutes).

Hanneke's Boom
 http://www.hannekesboom.nl/
 Dijksgracht 4
 1019 BS Amsterdam



Wi-Fi

If you have an eduroam account, your account will work fine at the University of Amsterdam. You should not need to make any changes to use your device at the University of Amsterdam.

If you do not have an eduroam account, there is a UvA Open Wi-Fi network for guests.

Many locations around the city offer Wi-Fi hotspots. There is free Wifi in most restaurants and cafes, although you might need a password - most of the time available upon request.

Eating Out

Amsterdam hosts a very diverse range of world cuisines. There is bound to be something to suit your tastes. Make reservations to avoid disappointment. Good places get overrun by locals and tourists alike on the weekend. You can either call or make a reservation via most restaurant websites. Tap water in The Netherlands is of a very high quality and good taste. You can always ask for tap water in a restaurant or a pub. Most often, you will not be charged for it and you will certainly not be frowned upon.

Good places to eat in the UvA area:

Café Koosje is very close to the Roeterseiland campus and is open all day throughout the season. In July they have a terrace where you can sit and drink a beer. They serve breakfasts, lunches and dinner meals, all fresh and for reasonable prices. Address: Plantage Middenlaan 37. See for more information:

http://koosjeamsterdam.nl/en/

Only 100 meters further from the Roeterseiland campus lies *De Plantage*. This beautiful restaurant serves breakfasts, lunches and dinner meals. It is a bit more expensive but the food is very good. Also the location is quite nice, with a big sunny terrace to have a drink or eat a meal next to the Artis Royal Zoo.

Address: Plantage Kerklaan 36. See for more information:

http://caferestaurantdeplantage.nl/en/#home

For pizzas baked in Italian wood-fired ovens, you could go to *De Pizzabakkers*. This cosy pizzeria lies just around the corner of the UvA campus and serves fresh and tasteful pizzas for reasonable prices.

Address: Plantage Kerklaan 2. See for more information:

http://depizzabakkers.nl/plantage/

On the other side of Artis Royal Zoo, located at the beautiful Entrepotdok, you can find a small and cosy restaurant: *Bloem*. They have a waterside terrace and serve biological lunches and meals. Besides fish and meat, they serve a variety of excellent vegetarian dishes.

Address: Entrepotdok 36. See for more information:

http://bloem36.nl

Very close to the beautiful Oosterpark, a new trendy restaurant and bar is located: *Louie Louie*. Meat, fish, and veggy, they serve it all. And later at night, the bar is open with a variety of good wines and cocktails. Perfect after a walk through the park © Address: Linnaeusstraat 11. See for more information:

http://louielouie.nl

If you feel like a good Indian meal, you should definitely go to *Café Kadijk*, located at the Kadijksplein. They serve fresh, Indian dishes, and especially the "Indische bordje" is to be recommendated!

Address: Kadijksplein 5. See for more information:

http://cafekadijk.mobielesite.nl

Nice pubs in the UvA area:

Brouwerij 't IJ is a real Amsterdam brewery with a lot of good and original beers. Not a place for dinner, but a very good place to enjoy the best beers of Amsterdam. And with a real Dutch atmosphere since the brewery is located next to large windmill De Gooyer.

Address: Zeeburgerpad 55. See for more information:

http://brouwerij.nl/?lang=en

Another opportunity to drink nice beers in an authentic traditional Dutch "brown café" is offered by café *Scharrebier*, which is located at the Rapenburgerplein. They also serve lunches.

Address: Rapenburgerplein 1. See for more information:

http://scharrebier.nl

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