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# **Freedom Drive 2022**



**26-28 September 2022, Brussels**  
**European Network on Independent Living**

**#FD2022**



**In memory of  
Kapka Panayotova (1956 - 2021)**

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**2022**

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# Introduction

## **What is the Freedom Drive?**

The ENIL Freedom Drive is one of the key campaigns of the European Network on Independent Living (ENIL) – held every two years since 2003. It provides supporters of the Independent Living Movement with the unique opportunity to meet Members of the European Parliament (MEPs) and promote human rights issues, and to share experiences and ideas with colleagues from around Europe. The first 6 editions of the event took place in Strasbourg, until 2015, when the venue was changed to Brussels for strategic reasons.

The ENIL 2022 Freedom Drive will once again take place in Brussels, between the 26th and 28th September. It will consist of a number of events, including workshops and a conference, not to forget a protest march to the European Parliament on the 27th of September in the morning. We will also use this opportunity to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Independent Living movement. Under the motto “Proud, Strong, Visible”, we will reflect on our past achievements, as well as on the future that lies ahead.

ENIL invites all members, disabled people’s organisations, disabled people and allies to join us in Brussels during this exciting week, so that we can once again show we are proud, strong and visible!

# Introduction

## **Goals of the ENIL 2022 Freedom Drive**

- To remember ENIL's former president, member of ENIL's board and president of Center for Independent Living (CIL) Sofia, Kapka Panayotova who left us in 2021, and to celebrate and inspire current and future leaders;
- To raise the key concerns of the European Independent Living movement with the European policy and decision-makers in Brussels;
- To provide disabled people with an opportunity to meet with their Members of the European Parliament (MEPs) in order to make their voices heard;
- To celebrate the 50th anniversary of Independent Living and to look back in the past of the Independent Living Movement;
- To draw attention to the Freedom Drive demands and to discuss how much progress, if any, has been made and what still needs to be done;
- To facilitate an exchange of ideas and knowledge on Independent Living, with the aim of inspiring Independent Living activists;
- To provide opportunities for development of new ideas, strategies and partnerships.

## **About ENIL**

The European Network on Independent Living (ENIL) is a Europe-wide network of disabled people, with members throughout Europe. ENIL is a forum for all disabled people, Independent Living organisations and their non-disabled allies on the issues of Independent Living. ENIL represents the disability movement for human rights and social inclusion based on solidarity, peer support, deinstitutionalisation, democracy, self-representation, cross disability and self-determination. For more information, see: [www.enil.eu](http://www.enil.eu)

# Overview of the Freedom Drive week

## 25 September

Arrival of Freedom Drivers in Brussels

## 26 September

10:00 – 18:00: Workshops on topics related to Independent Living

Venues: Nordic House Brussels, Rue du Luxembourg 3-5; Mundo Madou, Artemisia Room, Av. des Arts 7/8

10:00 – 12:00: Workshop 1 – **Monitoring and reporting human rights violations**, Nordic House Brussels, Rue du Luxembourg 3-5

10:00 – 12:00: Workshop 2 – **Employment**, Mundo Madou, Avenue des Arts 7/8

13:00 – 15:00: Workshop 3 – **Personal assistance**, Mundo Madou, Avenue des Arts 7/8

13:00 – 15:00: Workshop 4 – **Youth**, Nordic House Brussels, Rue du Luxembourg 3-5

16:00 – 18:00: Workshop 5 – **Promoting the UN CRPD in Belgium** (interpretation in French and Flemish will be provided), Mundo Madou, Avenue des Arts 7/8

16:00 – 18:00: Workshop 6 – **Deinstitutionalisation**, Nordic House Brussels, Rue du Luxembourg 3-5

19:00 – 21:00: Meeting of the ENIL Board and Youth Board (with a focus on EC Guidelines on Independent Living), with dinner, Paulo Freire Room – Mundo J, Rue de l'Industrie 10

10:00 – 18:00: Meetings with MEPs, if arranged by national delegations, European Parliament, Rue Wiertz 60

# Overview of the Freedom Drive week

## 27 September

09:00 – 10:00: Gathering at Parc du Cinquanteaire (entrance by the Avenue de la Joyeuse Entrée)

10:00 – 13:00: Protest march for Independent Living to the European Parliament

15:00 – 17:00: Hearing in the European Parliament "Independent living in Europe – Are we going from bad to worse?", European Parliament, Rue Wiertz 60

14:00 – 19:00: Workshop – Future laboratory: Imagining inclusive and accessible societies (open only for those participants who applied and were selected in advance), Paulo Freire Room, Mundo J, Rue de l'Industrie 10

19:00 – 23:00: Memorial for Kapka Panayotova & Party, Hotel Renaissance, Rue du Parnasse 19

## 28 September

10:00 – 17:30: Conference – "Exploring the Future of Independent Living", Hotel Renaissance, Rue du Parnasse 19

## 29 September

Departure of Freedom Drivers

# **Registration**

- **26 September, 09:00 – 18:00**

Nordic House Brussels, Rue du Luxembourg 3-5 OR  
Mundo Madou, Avenue des Arts 7/8

- **28 September, 09:00 – 10:00** (for those attending only the conference or arriving late)

Hotel Renaissance, Rue du Parnasse 19

- **Payment of participation fees** (for those who have not paid in advance)

**26 September, 09:00 – 17:00**

Mundo J, Rue de l'Industrie 10, Rosa Parks Room

## **Practical information:**

- One person can register a group, just bring the list of names of everyone you are registering and sign on their behalf.
- Registration will not be possible on the 27th of September.

## Parallel workshops

Time	Title	Venue
10:00 - 12:00	Workshop 1 – <b>Monitoring and reporting human rights violations</b>	Nordic House Brussels, Rue du Luxembourg 3-5
10:00 - 12:00	Workshop 2 – <b>Employment</b>	Mundo Madou, Avenue des Arts 7/8
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# **Freedom Drive march**

**Date and time:** 27 September 2022, 10:00 – 13:00

**Meeting point:** 09:00 at Parc du Cinquanteaire, the entrance by Avenue de la Joyeuse Entrée (see the map below)

**Start of the march:** 10:00

**End of the march:** 13:00

**End point:** Place du Luxembourg, European Parliament

## **Plan for the march:**

**09:00** - Gathering of protesters and speeches by activists and allies

Distribution of props (cardboard tombstones) for the "art installation"

Practicing of the Freedom Drive Song

Media interviews

**10:00** - Beginning of the march, with everyone gathered behind the ENIL banner – There will be stewards in high visibility jackets standing on the edges and police escort in the front and in the back of the march.

Mid march we will be stopping in front of one of the European Commission buildings for the "art installation"

**13:00** - Everyone arriving at the European Parliament

Distribution of packed lunches to those registered for the Freedom Drive

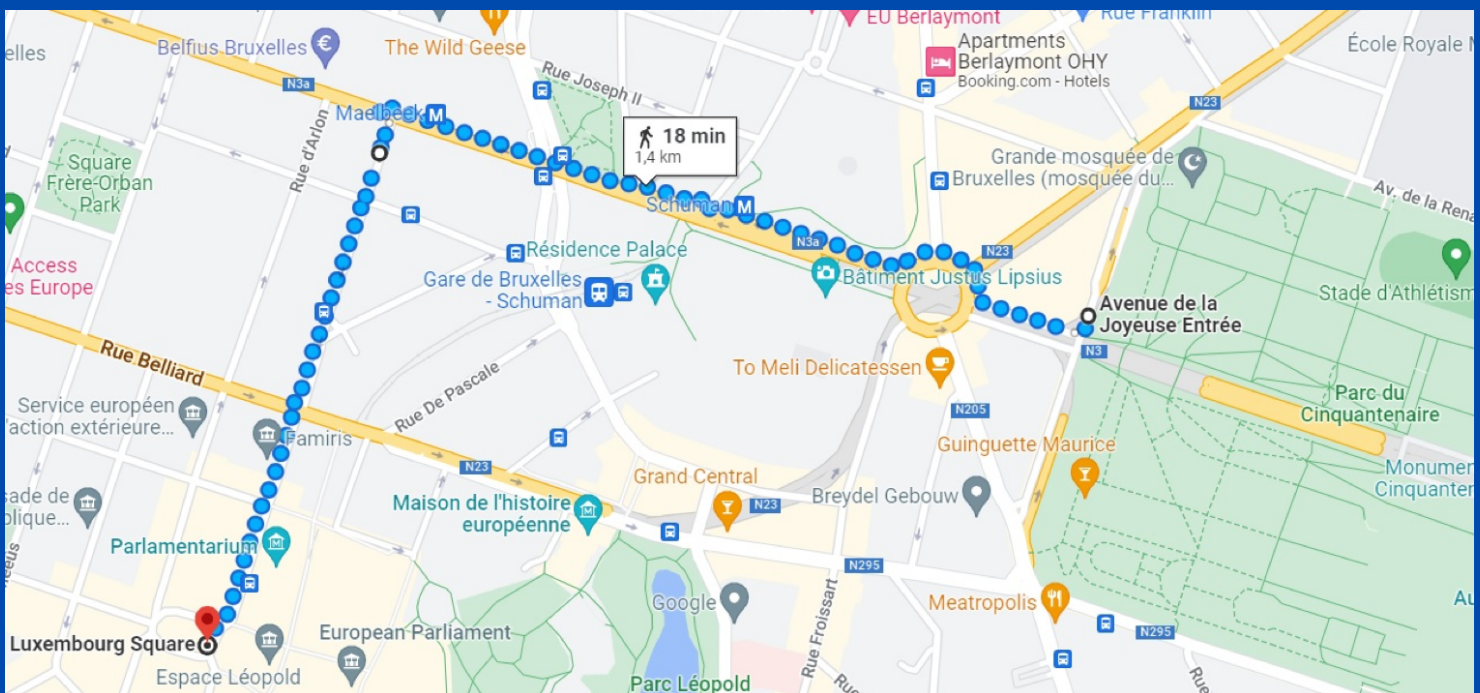
Gathering for the hearing in the European Parliament

# Freedom Drive march

## Practical information:

- Please bring banners and megaphones, whistles, drums, or anything else to make some noise.
- In case it looks like it will rain, wear a raincoat and warm clothes.
- If you need help during the march, speak to one of the stewards (in a high visibility jacket).
- Please remain in front of the European Parliament at the end of the march, if you are coming to the hearing.
- Please wear your badge, so you can get your packed lunch.

## Map of the protest route:



# Freedom Drive march

## Freedom Drive Protest Chant

Can you see us? Don't ignore our presence,  
we are coming together to speak for the truth  
We are the voice of the suppressed  
Echoing loud for you to be pressed

We bring in our hearts our brothers and sisters,  
who live behind barriers and shameful thick walls  
These are the walls we 're going to knock down  
It isn't the time for you to backdown

Institutions are no solutions  
Free disabled people, cause we 're coming through  
We all need control and choice in our live  
This is the meaning of our Freedom Drive

We demand dignity for every person  
So we are here to tell you in person  
We are the voice of the suppressed  
Echoing loud for you to be pressed

With big thanks to Antonia Triakloti, our member from i-Living,  
Greece. Here is a demonstration of the song by Antonia:  
<https://youtu.be/eeM8QakGizs>

# Hearing in the European Parliament

**Date and time:** 27 September 2022, 15:00 – 17:00

**Venue:** European Parliament, Room PHS 5B1

**Topic:** "Independent Living in Europe – Are we going from bad to worse?"  
(Hosted by MEPs Marisa Matias (GUE/NGL)  
and José Gusmão (GUE/NGL))

Time	Title
15:00 – 15:15	<b>Welcome and introduction</b> Armen Alaverdyan, ENIL Board member & Marisa Matias, MEP <b>Moderator of the event:</b> Nadia Hadad, ENIL Co-Chair
15:15 – 15:30	<b>Presentation of Freedom Drive Demands</b> Florian Sanden, Policy Coordinator, ENIL
15:30 – 16:15	<b>Perspectives from the Member States and EU neighbourhood</b> Suvad Zahirović, Lotus, Bosnia and Herzegovina Diogo Martins, Centre for Independent Living, Portugal Petra Flieger and Volker Shoenwiese, Independent Living Austria Patrick Vandelanotte, GRIP, Belgium
16:15 – 16:45	<b>What can we expect from our elected representatives at the national and European level?</b> Petra de Sutter – Federal Deputy Prime Minister of Belgium Followed by discussion with MEPs
16:45 – 16:55	<b>Presentation of ENIL's petition to end institutions</b> Miroslava-Mima Ivanovic, Initiative of Youth with Disabilities of Boka, Montenegro
16:55 – 17:00	<b>Closure of the event</b> Nadia Hadad, Co-Chair, ENIL

# Hearing in the European Parliament

## Practical information:

- Only those who registered for the hearing in advance will be able to enter. This is because of the limited number of places in the room.
- Please bring an ID or a passport – this includes your Personal Assistant(s).
- Please be in front of the Parliament on time, at 13:30. We will not be able to wait for everyone who comes late, because we need to start the hearing on time. We will be entering in the European Parliament in smaller groups. Participants in wheelchairs and their PAs will be first to enter.
- If you are meeting with your MEP(s) in the European Parliament just before the hearing, you can come straight to the room PHS 5B1. There is no need to meet everyone in front.
- Accessible toilets will be available in the Parliament, for those who need to use a toilet after the protest.

# Conference

**Date and time:** 28 September 2022, 10:00 – 17:30

**Venue:** Hotel Renaissance, Rue du Parnasse 19

**Topic:** “Exploring the Future of Independent Living”

Time	Title	Speakers / Moderators
09:00 – 10:00	Welcome coffee/tea & registration	
10:00 – 11:30	<b>Session 1: Digital technologies and artificial intelligence: hope or danger for the independent living of disabled people?</b> Opening of the conference and setting the scene	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Jamie Bolling, Co-Chair, ENIL</li><li>• Katrin Langensiepen, MEP</li><li>• José Gusmão, MEP</li><li>• Representative of the Belgian authorities</li></ul>
	<b>Keynote presentation: Artificial intelligence and the rights of persons with disabilities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Gerard Quinn, UN Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (online)</li></ul>
	<b>Panel discussion</b>	<b>Moderator:</b> Michael Holden, ENIL Board <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Alejandro Moledo, European Disability Forum</li><li>• Alex Papanikolaou, Freedom One Life Ltd, Scotland</li><li>• Diogo Martins, Center for Independent Living, Portugal</li><li>• Laura Alčiauskaite, TRIPS Project Coordinator, ENIL</li><li>• Representative of the European Commission (TBC)</li></ul>

Time	Title	Speakers / Moderators
11:30 - 12:00	Networking break with coffee/tea	
12:00 – 13:30	<p>Session 2: Youth perspectives on Independent Living</p> <p>Keynote presentation: Imagining inclusive and accessible societies</p> <p>Panel discussion</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Miro Griffiths, Leverhulme Researcher at the University of Leeds</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Kamil Goungor, ENIL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Zara Todd, Child and youth participation expert, Scotland</li> <li>• Emma Åstrand, STIL, Sweden</li> <li>• Nicolas Joncour, France</li> <li>• Charlie Willis, England</li> </ul>
13:30 – 15:30	Lunch break	
15:30 - 17:00	<p>Session 3: Personal Assistance – Is there a need for a Europe-wide campaign?</p> <p>Keynote presentation: Personal Assistance 50 years on</p> <p>Panel discussion</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adolf Ratzka, Independent Living Institute (online)</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Jamie Bolling, Co-Chair, ENIL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Martine Eliasson, ULOBA</li> <li>• Mathilde Fuchs, Coordination Handicap et Autonomie (CHA), France</li> <li>• Judith Heumann, disability rights advocate, USA (online)</li> </ul>
17:00 – 17:30	Summary of the key messages and closure of the Freedom Drive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Florian Sanden, Policy Coordinator, ENIL</li> <li>• Jamie Bolling, Co-Chair, ENIL</li> <li>• Nadia Hadad, Co-Chair, ENIL</li> </ul>

# **Practical information**

## **Locations**

### **ENIL Secretariat Office**

Mundo J, Rue de l'Industrie 10, 6th floor

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### **Workshops / meetings (26th of September)**

Mundo Madou, Avenu des Arts 7/8;

Nordic House, Rue du Luxembourg 3-5;

Mundo J, Rue de l'Industrie 10

### **March gathering and departure point (27th of September)**

Parc du Cinquantenaire, Avenue de la Joyeuse Entrée

### **European Parliament – End point of the march and hearing on 27 September**

Rue Wiertz 60 (We will end march on the side of Square Luxembourg, in front of the building Altiero Spinelli.)

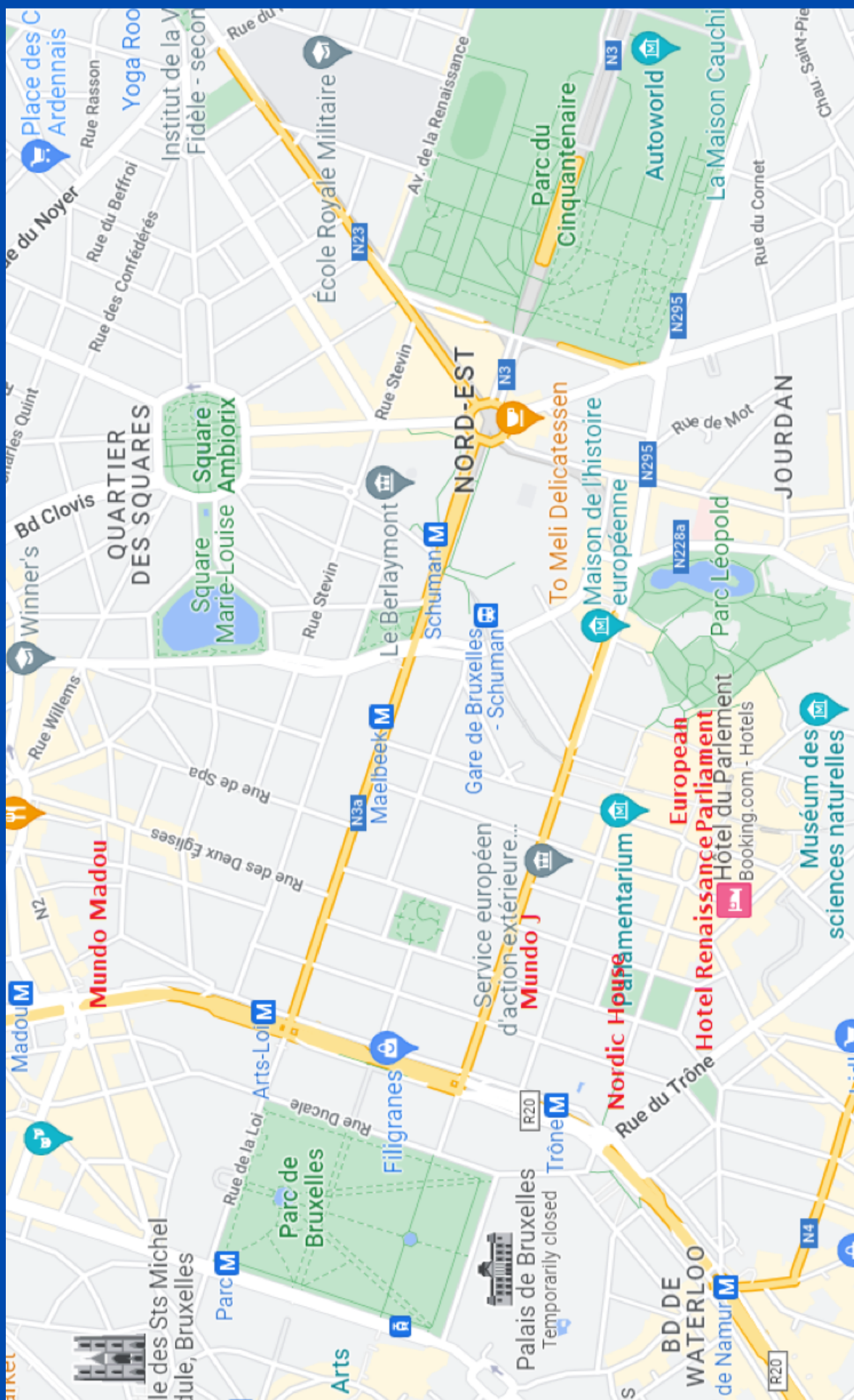
### **Party (27th of September)**

Hotel Renaissance, Rue du Parnasse 19

### **Conference (28th of September)**

Hotel Renaissance, Rue du Parnasse 19

# Map of location points



# Practical information

**International phone code for Belgium: +32**

## **Emergencies**

- The fire brigade 100
- Police emergency number 101
- Emergency Ambulance Service (paramedics) 100
- European emergency number 112

## **Tourist Information Desks**

Location: Rue Royale 2-4, 1000 Brussels

Telephone: + 32 (0)2 513 89 40

E-mail: [hello@visit.brussels](mailto:hello@visit.brussels)

<https://visit.brussels/en/article/tourism-information-desks>

## **COVID info:**

<https://www.info-coronavirus.be/en/>



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# Transport

## Getting from the Zaventem Airport to Brussels

### By train:

- Official website with all information: <https://www.belgiantrain.be/en>
- Please, note: Assistance needs to be booked at least 48 hours (2 days) in advance.
- Useful train stations with a direct connection to the airport: Brussels-North, Brussels Central, Brussels Midi and Brussels Schuman.
- You can ask for assistance online by using the following link:  
<https://www.belgiantrain.be/en/travel-info/prepare-for-your-journey/assistance-reduced-mobility>

### By bus:

- Lines 12 (Brussels Airport - Brussels City) and 21 (Brussels Airport – Luxembourg Square) connect the airport and the city center. **Please note that, unfortunately, not all buses on the lines 12 and 21 are wheelchair accessible without a PA to lift the wheelchair on the bus.** So, you might need to wait a few buses before you can get on.
- For further information and timetables, visit: [https://www.stib-mivb.be/article.html?\\_guid=d07b4e96-1283-3410-f08c-e0c5cfea3859&l=en](https://www.stib-mivb.be/article.html?_guid=d07b4e96-1283-3410-f08c-e0c5cfea3859&l=en)

### By taxi:

- **Taxi Hendriks** (adapted vans for max 8 persons)

Reservation at least 1 week in advance

\* by email [info.melsbroek@hendriks.be](mailto:info.melsbroek@hendriks.be) (mention ENIL Freedom Drive)

\* by telephone +32 / 2 752 98 00

Website in French and Dutch only: <https://www.hendriks.be/fr/>

We are discussing a reduced price for Freedom Drive Participants – please, note that it is not yet guaranteed.

- **Taxi Vert – explicitly ask for Taxi PMR (Personne Mobilité Réduite)**

Transports only one wheelchair-user at a time, with one assistant

Tel: +32 / 2 349 49 49 - ask for a FORFAIT Price

Website: <https://taxisverts.be/en/>

- **Taxi Valido**

Website in French only: <https://valido.be/>

# Transport

## Getting from the Charleroi Airport to Brussels



While tickets to Charleroi Airport are sometimes cheaper, getting to Brussels from the Charleroi Airport may be complicated or expensive if you need accessible transport.

### By shuttle bus (not accessible):

- The Brussels City Shuttle is the fastest way to travel from the Charleroi Airport to Brussels. The bus times are scheduled to fit in with the flight times and they start running at 03:30 AM. There is a bus every 30 minutes. To get the best price, you can buy your ticket online in advance. The bus for Brussels stops at Brussels Midi station. Bus reservations: <https://www.flibco.com/en>
- Please note that the shuttles are large tourist type buses (i.e. coaches), therefore not accessible. Transfer of passengers with reduced mobility is not guaranteed by the company.



To request accessible transport, please call + 32 71 23 41 15 (available in French) or make an online request at least 3 days or 72 hours in advance through the following email address: [contact@tec-wl.be](mailto:contact@tec-wl.be)

### By train from Charleroi-South Station:

- Please note: Train assistance needs to be booked at least 2 days (48 hours) in advance. You can book assistance here: <https://www.belgiantrain.be/en/travel-info/prepare-for-your-journey/assistance-reduced-mobility>

### By taxi:

- **From the Charleroi airport to the Charleroi train station**

#### **Société Mobilité Régionale (SMR):**

Reservation at least two days before

\* by email: [bussmr@skynet.be](mailto:bussmr@skynet.be) (in French)

\* by telephone +3271 /47.47.20 (in French)

- **To Brussels (please note that this costs 100 Euros and above)**

#### **Taxi Hendriks (adapted vans for max. 8 persons)**

Reservation at least two days before

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\* by telephone +32 / 2 752 98 00

Website in French and Dutch only: <http://www.hendriks.be/?CategoryID=258>

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- **To Brussels (affordable taxi, but not accessible)**

#### **Karo Trans Airport Transfers**

Reservation online at least 24 hours in advance: <http://karo-trans.eu>



Avoid getting into a random taxi outside the airport, without booking in advance. You will pay 200 Euros and above for a transfer from Charleroi Airport to Brussels.

# Transport

## Getting around in Brussels

### General information:

- A website with accessibility information for Brussels: [https://be.brussels/culture-tourism-leisure/brussels-for-all?set\\_language=en](https://be.brussels/culture-tourism-leisure/brussels-for-all?set_language=en)

- General transport information:

Web: <http://www.stib.be/>

Tel.: +32/70.23.2000

### Metro:

- The Brussels public transport service (STIB) provides accessibility assistance. This service is offered from Monday to Sunday from 07:00 AM to 10:00 PM. To book assistance for the Metro: [https://www.stib-mivb.be/article.html?\\_guid=d0f0d466-1483-3410-45af-9748427ab131&l=en](https://www.stib-mivb.be/article.html?_guid=d0f0d466-1483-3410-45af-9748427ab131&l=en)

Please note that you need to call at least 1,5 hours before your planned trip.

- To check which metro stations are accessible, see this map: <https://www.stib-mivb.be/irj/go/km/docs/resource/Dynmaplan/index.html#fr>

### Taxi services:

- **Taxi Hendriks** (adapted vans for max 8 persons)

Reservation at least 1 week in advance

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Tel: +32 / 2 349 49 49 (they can indicate the price on the phone)

Website: <https://taxisverts.be/en/>

- **Uber or Bolt**

Install the application and order through your phone; note that cars are not accessible.

### Buses in Flanders & Wallonia:

- **De Lijn**

Tel.: +32/70 220 200 (0,30 €/min)

Website: <http://www.delijn.be>

- **TEC**

Tel.: +32/10.23.53.53

Website: <https://www.letec.be/>

## **COVID-19 information**

Currently, as per decision by the Belgian authorities of 20 May, wearing masks is not mandatory, except in hospitals and pharmacies. Masks are recommended in crowded places, such as public transport, but not mandatory. Also, travellers from the EU or outside the EU are no longer required to show a COVID-19 certificate of vaccination/recovery or a negative result to a PCR or a rapid test. Official announcements/updates can be found on this website: <https://www.info-coronavirus.be/en/>

In case anyone has symptoms of COVID-19 or has been in close contact with someone infected before travelling, they are requested to take a self-test or a PCR test. If positive, please do not come to the Freedom Drive, to avoid spreading the virus to other participants.

During the Freedom Drive, in case you have symptoms of COVID-19:

- Notify one of ENIL contact persons and the hotel;
- Take a self-test (available from pharmacies);
- If positive, self-isolate in your hotel room and avoid contact with other people.

During the Freedom Drive, hand gel will be available in all venues, and masks and self-tests will be available from the ENIL staff. We encourage those with underlying health conditions which put them at risk of serious illness and/or those who have not been fully vaccinated to wear a mask during the Freedom Drive events and while using public transport in Brussels.

We advise that, before travelling, participants purchase travel insurance which covers COVID-19, in case you have to prolong your stay or are unable to travel.

## Additional information

- **Food and accommodation**

Please, find a list of accessible restaurants and hotels on the following websites:

<https://www.trouvetonresto.be/restaurant/bruxelles/acces-handicape> (Please note that we haven't checked all of these places)

In case you still need accommodation, please book your hotel asap. You can find a list of accessible hotels/hostels here:

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/16biQXurkrKUY7gfq-qUS70CbplEUz\\_6O/edit?usp=sharing&oid=100112941293532790813&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/16biQXurkrKUY7gfq-qUS70CbplEUz_6O/edit?usp=sharing&oid=100112941293532790813&rtpof=true&sd=true)

- **Useful web pages:**

[www.enil.eu](http://www.enil.eu)

<https://handilol.com/guides-de-voyage-pmr/europe/bruxelles-accessible/>

### **Helpful tips**

- Keep your **passport or national ID** with you at all times.
- Don't forget to bring your **credit or debit card**.
- If you are not from an EU country, don't forget to set up the **roaming function** on your phone **or turn it off** before you leave your own country if you do not want extra costs.
- At **airport** check-in, request that your chair is handled carefully. It is also a good idea to bubble wrap it. Some people have suggested that one should go as far as the plane door in the chair and then get it stowed. Some people said they have brought their chairs on board with them. It's always worth requesting!
- **Remember to register your technical aids and assistance needs.**



# **Frequently asked questions**

## **1. Do I have to register for the Freedom Drive when I get to Brussels?**

Yes. Even though you have registered before the Freedom Drive, you still have to register when you arrive in Brussels. During registration, you will sign a participant list and receive your Freedom Drive materials – a badge, T-shirt and a tote bag. You can register on 26th September, during the entire day, or on the 28th September before the conference.

## **2. What if I haven't paid my fee in advance?**

You can still pay on 26th September, during the day (09:00 – 17:00) in Mundo J, Rue de l'Industrie 10. But, if possible, please pay in advance by bank transfer or PayPal.

## **3. Can I have an extra Freedom Drive T-shirt?**

Yes, you will be able to buy extra T-shirts during registration or before the protest. They will cost 15 EUR. We will have some other things on sale.

## **4. How do I know which workshop I am attending?**

You will receive an email before the Freedom Drive with a reminder of the workshop you registered for. In case you change your mind, please let us know before the Freedom Drive.

## **5. How do I know if I am attending the hearing in the Parliament?**

If you registered for the hearing, you can attend. You will receive an email in advance in case there is a problem with your registration.

## **6. Can I bring family or friends to events?**

You can bring as many people as you like to the protest – the more, the merrier! However, only those registered for the Freedom Drive can come to other events, including the party. This is because we ordered a certain number of meals and drinks, and because each room has a limit of the maximum number of people. We want to make sure that everyone who registered for the Freedom Drive has their place.

## **Frequently asked questions**

### **7. Do I have to register if I am just coming to the protest?**

No, you do not need to register to join the protest. Please come on time if you would like to buy a T-shirt (15 EUR).

### **8. Will accessible toilets be available during the whole Freedom Drive?**

Yes. There will be an AccessoLoo parked in front of the Renaissance Hotel during the whole Freedom Drive. There are also accessible toilets in Mundo J, Mundo Madou, the Renaissance Hotel and the European Parliament.

### **9. Do I need to wear a mask during the Freedom Drive?**

You don't have to, but we do recommend you wear it if you are concerned about getting ill. We will have some masks available to hand out, in case anyone needs one.

### **10. Where can I check official information about COVID?**

You can check this official website: <https://www.info-coronavirus.be/en/>

### **11. I have friends who would like to follow online? Will it be possible?**

Yes, it will be possible to follow the workshops and the conference online. Please check ENIL's website and Facebook pages – the Zoom links will be available from there the week before the Freedom Drive.

### **12. Will there be translation into other languages?**

Unfortunately, we do not have the budget to have translation into all the languages spoken by the Freedom Drivers, or even a smaller number of languages. We will have one workshop with translation into Flemish and French, and we will have international sign language and captioning during the Freedom Drive conference.

### **13. How can I get around Brussels if I don't speak French?**

Many people speak English. Also, [Google Translate](#) and [DeepL](#) are very useful for automatic translation if needed.

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