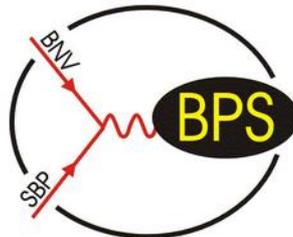




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Ghent University, Belgium
February 22-26, 2016

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Ghent

Ghent is the capital and largest city of the East Flanders province. The city started as a Celtic settlement at the confluence of the Rivers Scheldt and Leie. In the late Middle Ages, due to the textile trade, the city became one of the largest and richest cities of northern Europe with some 50000 people in 1300. Today it is a busy city with a port and Ghent University 😊

Your list of "things to see" should include the **medieval Gravensteen Castle**, the **belfry**, the **cathedral with the famous painting of the brothers Van Eyck "The Adoration of the Mystic Lamb"**, the **St. Nicolas Church**, the **three beguinages**, **monasteries**, etc





Ghent University

- ❑ **Ghent University (UGent) was founded in 1817** by King William I of Orange; tuition language at the time was Latin, with the first lectures held on 3 November 1817, in 4 faculties (Arts, Law, Medicine and Sciences) with 16 professors and 190 students
- ❑ Tuition language changed to French after Belgian revolution in 1830, and finally to Dutch in 1930
- ❑ In 1991 the State University became Ghent University and gained more independence
- ❑ Today, Ghent University is a top 100 university and one of the major Belgian universities counting over 41000 students, 9000 employees, and 11 faculties composed of 117 departments



Rector:
Professor Anne De Paepe



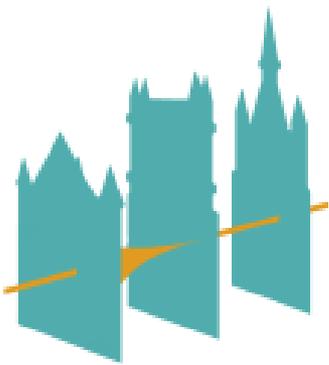


"Het Pand"

"Het Pand" is a former Dominican monastery, located in the historical centre of the city, on the banks of the river "Leie". The oldest parts of the building date from the 13th century. During five centuries it was extended and refashioned in different styles by different owners. In 1956 the building was put on the list of classified premises. When the UGent acquired the building, its renovation and restoration took from 1971 until 1991. Since then, "Het Pand" has been offering a wide range of possibilities for the organisation of scientific congresses and cultural events.

"Het Pand" houses some valuable collections, such as the rich ethnographical and archaeological collections of the university, the Museum for the History of Medicine, full-size photographs of paintings of Brueghel and Early Flemish Masters, and an interesting collection of stained glass.





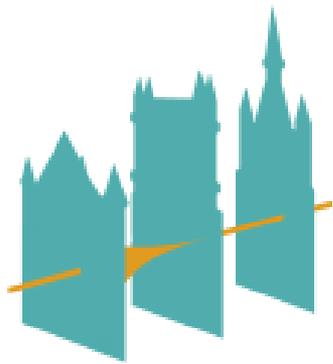
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Some Practicalities

- ❑ **Area & corridor right outside this meeting room:**
 - **Exhibition booths from our sponsors (please visit them !)**
 - **Coffee breaks**
 - **Posters**

- ❑ **Lunch will be served in the restaurant of *Het Pand* (make sure you have your lunch tickets !)**

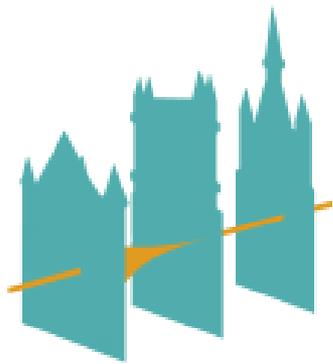
- ❑  **from the main entrance of the building, go left to the end of the corridor**



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Poster Contributions

- Posters can be put on display for the entire duration of the workshop; no tape or push pins needed
- Dedicated poster session on Tuesday, 4-5:30pm
- Best poster contest** for young researchers
- Please take your poster with you when you leave on Friday, before lunch



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Proceedings

- The proceedings of this workshop will be published in the peer-reviewed *Journal of Instrumentation*
- All speakers and poster presenters are invited to submit a paper
- Submission will be opened right after this workshop; detailed instructions will follow soon
- Submission deadline in 2-3 months, please make an effort to respect the deadline ...



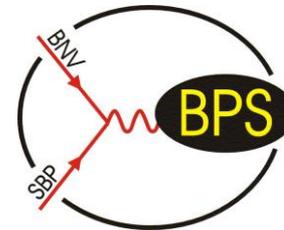
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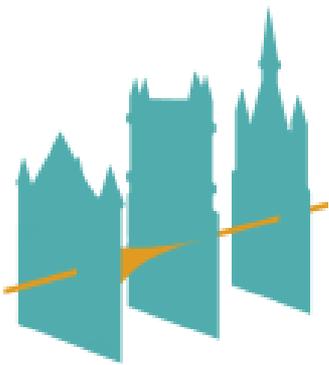
❑ Two contests are organized during this workshop for young researchers, i.e. MSc/PhD students, and postdocs with less than 3 years of experience past their PhD

➤ **Best talk and best poster**

❑ Winners will be announced during the closing ceremony on Friday

❑ Prizes sponsored by the Belgian Physical Society





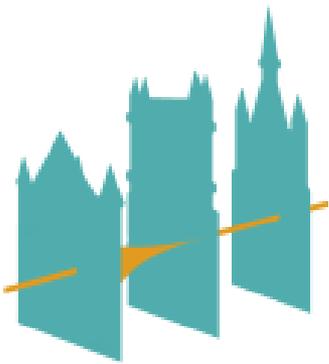
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What's in the bag ?

The conference bag is advertised as being water-proof ! It contains:

- Paperwork: Wifi connection info; city map (social events); tourist guide book; Certificate of Attendance; **Proof of Payment** (if you have paid); **lunch tickets**
- *Curberdons* or *Gentse neuzen*
- Belgian chocolate



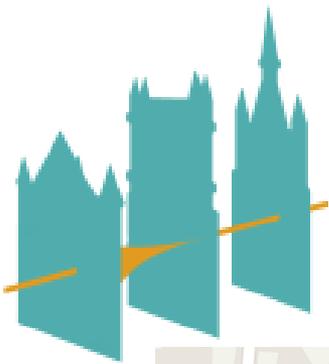


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Social events for this week

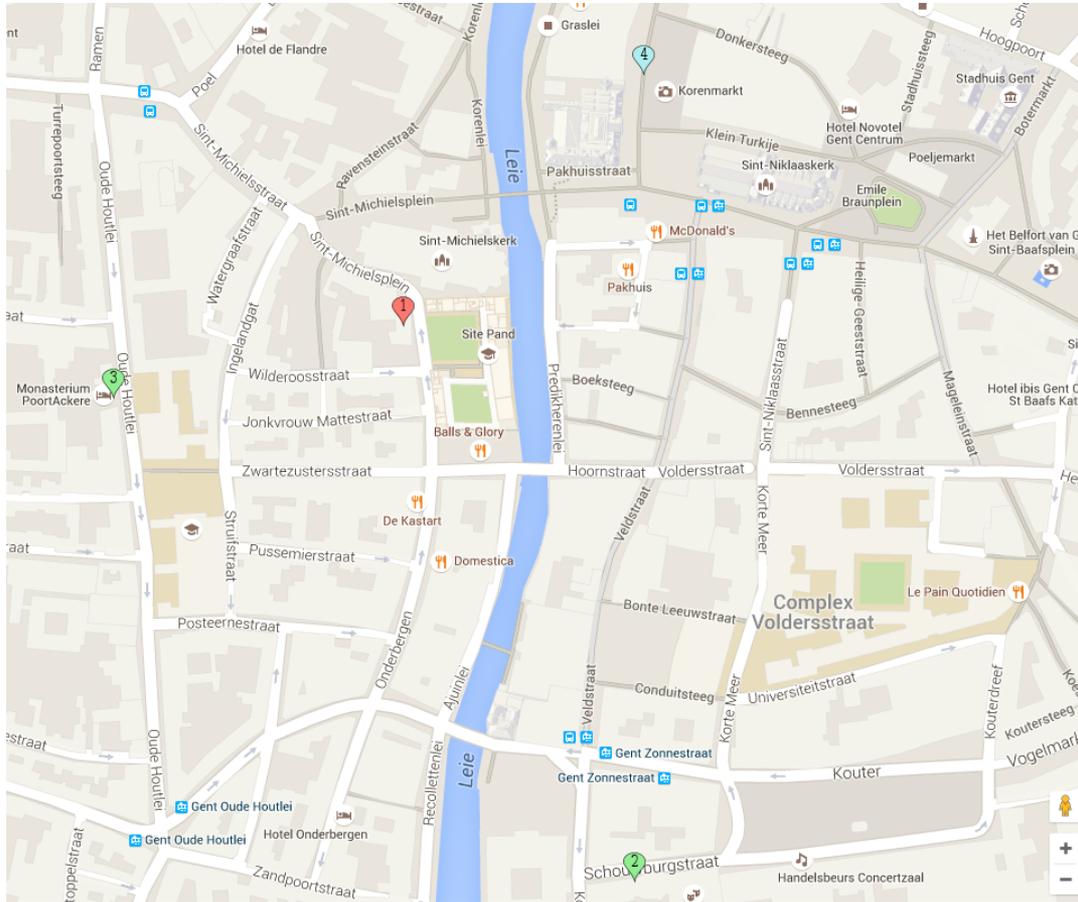
1. *Sunday @ 7pm: **Pub crawl / city walk***
2. **Monday @ 6pm: Welcome Reception @ Opera House**
3. **Tuesday @ 5:30pm: Belgian beer seminar & tasting @ Het Pand**
4. **Wednesday @ 2pm: Guided city tours (2 options)**
5. **Thursday @ 7:30pm: Workshop dinner @ Monasterium PoortAckere**

For each event a member of the LOC will guide participants from *Het Pand* to the event location ; inform us if your plans to participate have changed !



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1	Het Pand	Onderbergen 1, 9000 Gent, Belgium
2	Ghent Opera House	Schouwburgstraat 3, 9000 Gent, Belgium
3	Monostarium	Oude Houtlei 56, 9000 Gent, Belgium
4	Guided Tour (in front of St-Niklaaskerk)	Korenmarkt, 9000 Gent, Belgium

Please check/use the map you all received in your conference bag



Enjoy this week !

In case of any questions or problems, talk to the people with a green name badge



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