



CELIMO Council Meeting

Hilton Hotel Rotterdam

The Netherlands

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Kubuswoningen

The Cube Houses (or Pole Houses or Tree Houses) designed by architect Piet Blom are part of the Blaakse Bos development which borders on the Laurenskwartier district and the Waterfront area. The KijkKubus (Show-Cube) is a furnished museum house, specially designed and constructed to let the visitor experience what life is like in a Cube House. The Kijk-Kubus is open seven days a week from 11:00 a.m. to 17:00 p.m. The Kijk-Kubus can be reached by tram, metro and bus. Blaak metro station is right outside the door and there are three parking garages in the immediate vicinity.

Markthal Rotterdam

You'll find an indoor market hall in various world-class cities, but the combination with luxury housing makes Rotterdam's Markthal the first of its kind. As you wander amongst the at least 100 market stands, look up to enjoy the massive artwork sprawling across the ceiling: the 'Horn of Plenty' by Arno Coenen and Iris Roskam. Thanks to this grand span of art, the Markthal has been referred to as the Dutch version of the Sistine Chapel. The Markthal is open seven days a week until 20.00. Visitors can sign up for an Open Tour on the weekend via De Rotterdam Tours : a one-hour tour of the Markthal.



Depot Boijmans van Beuningen

Depot Boijmans Van Beuningen is one of the oldest museums in the Netherlands. The collection includes paintings, sculptures and objects, as well as an important collection of drawings and etchings. It features many major Dutch and European works spanning the period from the early middle ages to the 21st century, from Van Bosch to Rembrandt, and from Van Gogh to Dalí and Dutch Design. Depot Boijmans Van Beuningen is located in the Museumkwartier district.

Dear CELIMO members, welcome to Rotterdam!

We are delighted to welcome you to the 2025 CELIMO Council Meeting in **Rotterdam**, a city that perfectly reflects the spirit of progress, resilience, and creativity. Located in the heart of the Netherlands, Rotterdam is Europe's largest port and a thriving hub of industry, innovation, and international trade.

Far from being just an economic powerhouse, Rotterdam is also a city of bold architecture, vibrant culture, and inspiring modern design. From the iconic **Erasmus Bridge** and **Cube Houses** to the panoramic views from the **Euromast**, the city never ceases to amaze. A stroll through Rotterdam reveals an energetic blend of history and modernity, with world-class museums, cutting-edge art galleries, and bustling markets like the **Markthal** offering a taste of local life.

Our stay will be at the elegant **Hilton Hotel Rotterdam**, ideally located in the city centre and the venue for our Council Meeting. The Hilton offers refined comfort and hospitality at its finest, placing us within walking distance of many of the city's key sights and experiences.

We've prepared an engaging and enjoyable programme, featuring not only the Council's key sessions but also memorable excursions — including a unique culinary experience aboard the historic **SS Rotterdam**, a ship that once connected continents and now serves as a floating monument to Dutch maritime pride.

We look forward to welcoming you to this inspiring setting for connection, collaboration, and discovery. Let's make this CELIMO Council Meeting truly unforgettable!

We wish you a pleasant stay at Rotterdam!

Kind regards,



Hank Oude Reimer
President CELIMO

Hilton Rotterdam: where style, luxury and

Located on the vibrant Coolsingel, right in the heart of Rotterdam, you'll find the iconic Hilton Rotterdam. This five-star hotel exudes international allure and offers a perfect balance between classic elegance and contemporary luxury. A stay here means experiencing the city at its finest – with the comfort and hospitality you expect from Hilton.

Since its opening in 1963, the hotel has been an architectural landmark in the city. It was designed by Huig Maaskant, the renowned architect behind several post-war reconstruction projects. The distinctive façade of white concrete and glass forms a stylish contrast with the warm, modern interior. Upon entering, you're immediately struck by the sense of class and calm the hotel radiates. The spacious, light-filled lobby is adorned with elegant art and designer furniture – making it a pleasant place to arrive and unwind.



The rooms are generously sized, tastefully decorated, and equipped with modern comforts. Large windows offer views of the vibrant city below, while the interior radiates peace and refinement. For those seeking added luxury, the Executive Rooms provide extra amenities and an increased level of privacy.

Hilton Rotterdam is a favorite not only among tourists but also among business travelers. With multiple meeting rooms, high-speed Wi-Fi, and a 24-hour fitness center, the hotel is fully equipped for any stay. It is also ideally located within walking distance of Rotterdam Central Station, the Markthal, and the city's theater district.

history meet



Breakfast

6:30 – 10:00



Bar

open till
23:00

Hilton Rotterdam is the perfect destination for those seeking comfort, class, and a truly unique experience in one of Europe's most dynamic cities.

Architectural heritage

Designed by Huig Maaskant, a key figure in Rotterdam's post-war reconstruction.

Prime central location:

Weena 10, Rotterdam

Situated directly on the Coolingsingel, near cultural and business hotspots.

JAQ. Taste. Style.

Creative cuisine, bold cocktails, and vibrant vibes at Restaurant JAQ in Rotterdam.

Famous guests

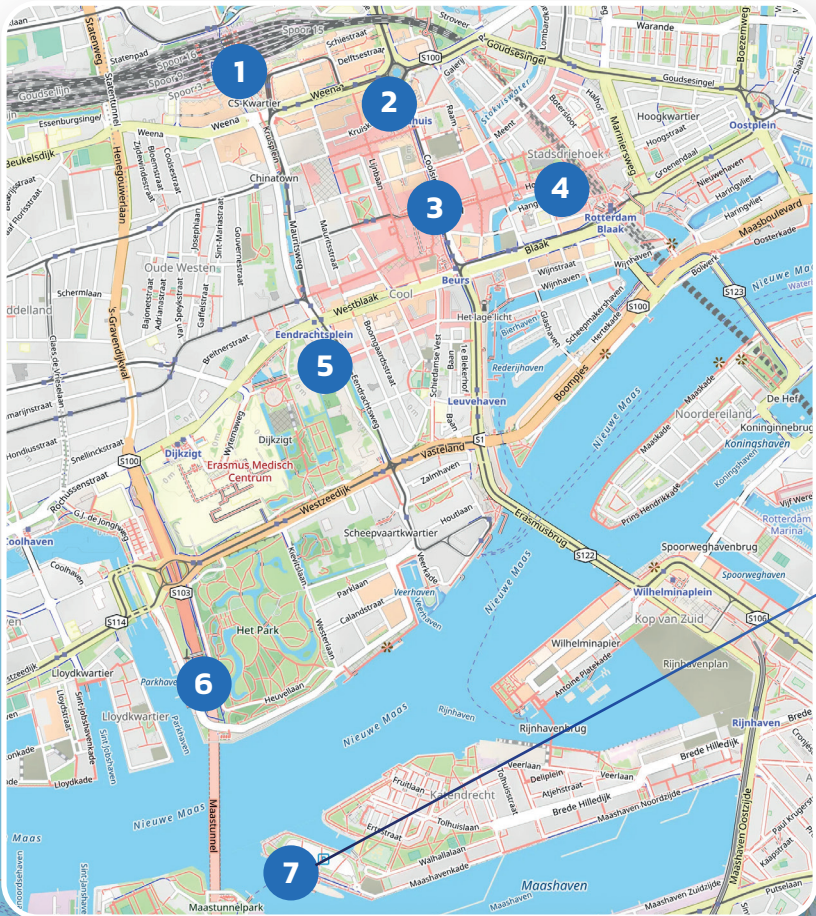
The Rolling Stones, Josephine Baker, David Bowie, Michael Jackson, Jackie Chan, Queen Elizabeth II, Beyoncé.

Sustainable mindset

Strong focus on reducing food waste and partnering with local initiatives.



Locations



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- 1 🚉 Rotterdam Central Station
- 2 Hilton Rotterdam
- 3 Shopping Area
- 4 Markthal
- 5 Boijmans van Beuningen
- 6 Euromast, Parkhaven
- 7 SS Rotterdam
- 8 Maasvlakte, ECT Terminal



SS Rotterdam

a proud Dutch icon with a glamorous past

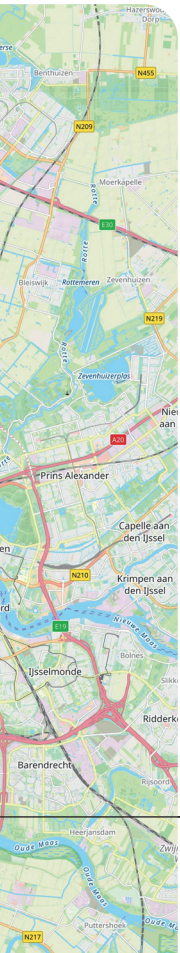
Since 1959, the ss Rotterdam has stood as a symbol of Dutch pride and maritime innovation. Originally designed for transatlantic service between Rotterdam and New York, this revolutionary vessel featured a unique horizontal two-class layout, movable partitions, and a double staircase—making it one of the most advanced ocean liners of its time.

After a decade crossing the Atlantic, the ship transitioned into a luxury cruise liner in 1969, sailing to destinations like the Caribbean, Alaska, and on world cruises, especially popular with wealthy American travelers. In 1997, it was renamed SS Rembrandt under new ownership, but soon after was laid up due to the company's financial collapse.

Thanks to the Steamship Rotterdam Foundation, the beloved ship was rescued and fully restored. In 2008, she triumphantly returned to her home port of Rotterdam. Today, the ss Rotterdam is permanently moored and open to the public as a hotel, restaurant, and museum.

Visitors can explore the original art, machine rooms, passenger decks, captain's quarters, and the bridge. Adding a personal touch, over 200 passionate volunteers—many of them former passengers—share fascinating stories and lead guided tours that bring the ship's rich history to life.

Whether you're onboard for a gala dinner, a night in one of its historic cabins, or simply a tour, the ss Rotterdam offers a one-of-a-kind experience steeped in nautical charm and nostalgia.



Thursday, June 26th

TIME	ACTIVITY
13:00	Welcome & Check-in at the Hilton Hotel
14:00 - 17:00	Board Meeting, Hilton Hotel
17:00 - 18:30	Secretaries Meeting, Hilton Hotel
19:00	Welcome Dinner at JAQ Restaurant, Hilton Hotel



Friday, June 27th

TIME	ACTIVITY
06:30 - 08:00	Breakfast
08:30 - 12:50	CELIMO Council Meeting (including mid meeting break)
12:50 - 17:30	Visit and tour Maasvlakte
18:30	Departure by bus to SS Rotterdam
19:00 - 22:00	Dinner at SS Rotterdam (dresscode: Business Casual)
22:15	Departure by bus to Hilton Hotel

Partner Program Friday, June 27th

TIME	ACTIVITY
06:30 - 08:00	Breakfast
09:00	Departure by bus to Parkhaven
09:15 - 10:45	Boat tour on the Maas, Rotterdam
10:45	Departure by bus to Depot Boijmans Van Beuningen
11:15 - 12:15	Guided tour of Depot Boijmans Van Beuningen
12:15	Departure by bus to lunch venue
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch at Savor&Nosh
14:00 - 17:00	Explore the Rotterdam Shopping Area
17:00 - 17:30	Back to the Hilton Hotel
18:30	Departure by bus to SS Rotterdam
19:00 - 22:00	Dinner at SS Rotterdam (dresscode: Business Casual)
22:15	Departure by bus to Hilton Hotel

Saturday, June 28th

TIME	ACTIVITY
06:30 - 08:30	Breakfast
09:00 - 11:15	Guided City Walk Rotterdam
11:15 - 11:45	Adventurous Water Taxi ride through Rotterdam's waters
12:00 - 13:30	Lunch with a view at the Euromast
13:30 - 14:30	Return to Hilton Hotel by bus & farewell



Euromast Rotterdam

📍 Parkhaven 20, Rotterdam

Rising majestically above Rotterdam, the Euromast offers an unforgettable blend of adrenaline, elegance, and panoramic wonder. Venture to its soaring observation decks and be greeted by sweeping views of the city, port, and winding Maas River. Dare to descend in the Euroscop — Europe's fastest rotating glass elevator — for a breathtaking 360° perspective. By night, the city lights transform the skyline into a shimmering masterpiece. Whether you're celebrating a special moment, enjoying a gourmet meal in the Tower Restaurant, or simply captivated by the view, the Euromast is an iconic symbol of Dutch pride and innovation. Discover Rotterdam's spirit—elevated.



Savor&Nosh

📍 Westewagenstraat 66, Rotterdam

Savor&Nosh sparks joy in Rotterdam's heart—vibrant, stylish, and brimming with global flair. From morning coffees with house made treats to brunch classics with a twist and a dazzling finger food dinner lineup, every bite dazzles. Sip handcrafted cocktails or relax over beers and shareable plates. With chic decor, warm service, and a lively buzz, it's the city's go to destination for unforgettable taste and atmosphere



Rotterdam Nightlife

📍 Witte de Withstraat, Rotterdam

The Witte de Withkwartier is the vibrant heart of the Rotterdam art scene and is known for its dynamic nightlife. While galleries, cultural institutes and fashion boutiques are open all day, the focus shifts to cafés and restaurants in the evening. The most famous pub in the street is De Witte Aap, an institution in the city's nightlife for ages; Lonely Planet even nominated it as the best bar in the world!



Other suggestions close by the Hilton Hotel

Cornelis Bar

📍 Stadhuisplein 3, Rotterdam

Welcome on behalf of Cornelis – where great service is just the beginning. Known for delicious dishes, fine wines, and the best cocktails in town. In the heart of Rotterdam, enjoy long lunches, dinners with friends, family, or colleagues, and dance the night away. Even with large groups, we serve you with true Rotterdam hospitality. Celebrate life, together. See you soon!



Grace

📍 Stadhuisplein 1a, Rotterdam

Welcome to a vibrant and extravagant experience in Rotterdam, where you are warmly embraced anytime, at every special moment in life. Together, we'll celebrate and dance away the darkness of night, enjoying the city's beauty at dawn. Indulge your senses with worldly specialties served with a modern twist, offering flavors from Tokyo to Buenos Aires. Discover the best culinary delights from all corners of the globe, crafted to excite your palate and create unforgettable moments in an inviting, flamboyant atmosphere.



1NUL8

📍 Meent 108, Rotterdam

Located on Rotterdam's popular Meent street, 1NUL8 began as a wine bar in 2012. Today, it's a full-service restaurant that transforms into a lively club on weekends. Enjoy the best drinks and dishes all day long, whether inside or on our vibrant terrace. Experience the perfect blend of great flavors and a buzzing atmosphere in the heart of the city.



List of participants

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	COUNTRY
WAYENBERG	Alain	Belgium
JÄRVINEN	Petri	Finland
SUCKSDORFF	Jan	Finland
BOUVET	Didier	France
BOUVET	Dominique	France
LETTNER	Nicolas	France
DAMMNAN	Thomas	Germany
LINGNAU	Olaf	Germany
VORBACH	Boris	Germany
ARNALDI	Andrea	Italy
MANZIN	Susanna	Italy
BIANCHI	Andrea	Italy
CURTI	Maria Elena	Italy
SANCLEMENTE	Mauro	Italy
BENDER	David	Netherlands
BENDER	Florien	Netherlands
BENDER	Jeroen	Netherlands
BENDER	Maurits	Netherlands
BENDER	Rosalie	Netherlands
BENDER	Saskia	Netherlands
BREDEWOUD	Jolanda	Netherlands
TEN BRUG	Rogier	Netherlands
CAMMERAAT	Eddo	Netherlands
COPPEJANS	Gerard	Netherlands
DAOUDI	Mohamed	Netherlands
DE KUIJPER	Arnoud	Netherlands

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	COUNTRY
DEKKER	Edwin	Netherlands
HINSSSEN	Frank	Netherlands
HUVERS	Frans	Netherlands
KOONING	John	Netherlands
OUDE REIMER	Hank	Netherlands
OUDE REIMER	Trude	Netherlands
OUDE REIMER	Hugo	Netherlands
REINDERS FOLMER	Philippe	Netherlands
VAN SANTE	Stephan	Netherlands
SCHELLINGS	Anoek	Netherlands
SNEL	Brenda	Netherlands
VEERMAN	Ires	Netherlands
FARRAN	Eduard	Spain
BERNAL	Luisa Maria	Spain
ARTOLA	Mikel	Spain
MEAURIO	Maria Ruiz-Lopetedi	Spain
BUHOLZER	Matthias	Switzerland
ARCILA FRANCO	Blanca Patricia	Switzerland
WILD	Hansueli	Switzerland
WILD	Lene	Switzerland
WIRTH	Martin	Switzerland
WIRTH	Erika	Switzerland
GAMSIZ	Erdal	Turkey
GAMSIZ	Havva	Turkey
BURLEY	David	UK
NOON	Geoff	CELIMO



How to get to Rotterdam

Airports



Schiphol Airport Amsterdam
Rotterdam/The Hague Airport

 1 hour to accomodation



 1 hour to accomodation

Train

From Schiphol Airport Amsterdam to Hilton Hotel Rotterdam

1. Schiphol Central Station - Rotterdam Central Station (NS train)  40 minutes
2. Rotterdam Central Station - Hilton Rotterdam  10 minutes walk
or taxi next to train station

From Rotterdam/The Hague Airport to Hilton Hotel Rotterdam

1. Rotterdam Airport - Rotterdam Central Station (NS train)  30 minutes
2. Rotterdam Central Station - Hilton Rotterdam  10 minutes walk
or taxi next to train station



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