

Logistics and Useful Information

Building on the momentum of the 2nd UNITAR International Research Conference (2UIRC), the <u>3rd UNITAR International Research Conference (3UIRC)</u> invites global scholars, practitioners, policymakers, students, and community leaders to engage in critical dialogue and collaborative action on **3 to 4 December 2025** at the UN House, Brussels (UNDP Brussels Representation Office).

The 3UIRC will serve as a platform for fostering interdisciplinary collaboration, amplifying diverse voices, and bridging the gap between knowledge production and real-world action to deliver the Sustainable Development Goals.

- . SDG 4 Quality Education
- SDG 13 Climate Action
- SDG 16 Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions
- SDG 17 Partnerships for the Goals

Venue

UNDP Brussels Representation Office

Bd du Régent 37, 1000 Bruxelles, Belgium Google Maps Link

· Attend In-Person

- In-Person Registration Deadline: 3 October 2025.
- In-Person Fee: 360 USD Payment deadline: 10 October 2025.

Attend Online

- Online Registration Deadline: 17 October 2025.
- Online Fee: 300 USD Payment deadline: 24 October 2025.

Conference Participation

- Check-in will begin at 8:00 AM at the reception desk. A photo ID is required for verification. After checking in, please wait in the lobby until a member of the organising team accompanies you to the conference area. This may take a few minutes, and we kindly ask for your patience.
- Digital programmes and materials will be provided to support sustainable participation.
- · Wi-Fi will be available for all participants.
- Coffee and refreshment breaks, as well as light meals, will be offered during the event.
- Participants are responsible for their own travel, health, and accident insurance. UNITAR
 does not assume costs arising from illness, accidents, or loss of personal property
 during the event. Participants are responsible for their own arrangements.
- Participants should maintain a calm and productive environment around the conference rooms during breaks. The offices opposite the conference rooms are often occupied by colleagues who are working and may be on calls or in meetings.



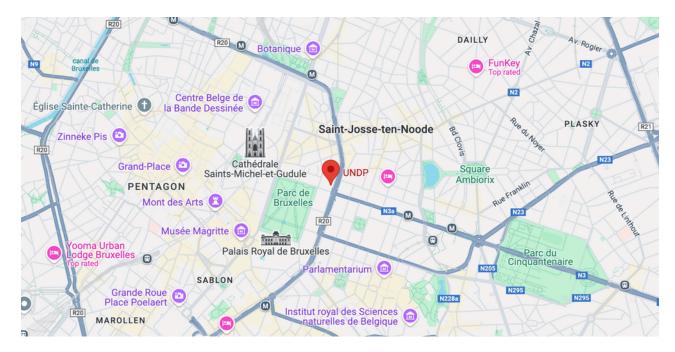
Travel Information

Arriving in Brussels

- Brussels Airport (BRU): The main international hub, located ~20 minutes by train from the city centre.
 - o Options: direct train (to Brussels Central), taxi, or ride-share.
 - Facilities: restaurants, lounges, baggage services, and currency exchange.
- **Train Stations**: Brussels Midi (Zuid), Central, and Nord are well connected to major European cities via high-speed and regional trains.

Arriving at the Venue (UN House Brussels)

- From Brussels Central Station: ~15 minutes by metro or taxi.
- From Brussels Airport to the Venue (Public Transport):
 - Train: Brussels Airport–Zaventem to Brussels Central Station, then transfer to Metro lines
 1 or 5 to Kunst-Wet/Arts-Loi (~30 minutes total).
 - Metro: Kunst-Wet/Arts-Loi served by lines 1, 2, 5, and 6.
 - Bus: STIB/MIVB Bus 12 or 21 to the European District (~40 minutes).



About Brussels

Time Zone	Central European Time (CET, UTC+1)
Languages	French, Dutch, English widely spoken
Currency	Euro (€)
Electricity	230V, plug types C & E (European standard)
Weather	Cold (2–7°C) and frequent rain: Warm clothing and an umbrella are recommended
Seasonal Tip	Festive opportunity: Brussels' Christmas Markets

Local Attractions

- Grand Place: UNESCO World Heritage Site and iconic square, 15-minute walk.
- Royal Palace of Brussels: Located near Parc de Bruxelles.
- European Parliament: 10-minute drive.

Local Dining Options

- Quick & Healthy: Le Pain Quotidien, EXKi
- · Belgian Cuisine: Chez Léon, Brasserie Ommegang
- International: Multiple options within 10 minutes' walk of the venue

Accommodation Options

- Thon Hotel EU (recommended)
 - Address: 75 Rue de la Loi, 1040 Brussels
 Distance: 5–10 minutes' walk to the venue
 - Website: Thon Hotel EU
- Stanhope Hotel
 - Address: 9 Rue du Commerce, 1000 Brussels
 - Website: <u>Stanhope Hotel</u>
- . Courtyard by Marriott Brussels EU
 - Address: 32 Rue Joseph II, 1000 Brussels
 - Website: Courtyard by Marriott EU
- . The Hotel Brussels
 - Address: 38 Boulevard de Waterloo, 1000 Brussels
 - Website: The Hotel

Emergency Contacts

- European Emergency Services: 112
- Police: 101
- Fire/Ambulance: 100
- . Local Area Police Station: 02 2797133
- . Central Police Station: 02 2797979
- **Doctors** (24/24): 02 5130202 or 02 4791818
- **Dentists** (24/24): 02 4261026
- Nearest Hospital: CHU Saint-Pierre, Rue Haute 322, 1000 Brussels. (+32 2 535 31 11)
- 24/7 Pharmacy: Pharmacie Jourdan, Chaussée de Wavre 222, 1050 Brussels
- 24/7 Taxi Services: Taxis Verts (+32 2 349 49 49), Uber available

- Security GuidelinesAll participants must carry their photo ID at all times.
 - UN Security Clearance (ISECT) required for UN staff participants. In case of a security incident, follow the guidance of the UN House staff.

Social Media

Join the conversation online:

- Hashtag: #3UIRC
- UNITAR <u>LinkedIn</u>, <u>Twitter/X</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, <u>Facebook</u>
- We encourage participants to share insights and experiences respectfully and professionally.

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