

## Dates

This workshop will take place from Friday 16 March 2011

## Venue

The workshop will be held at the Hotel Casa 400 in Amsterdam.

Hotel Casa 400 is conveniently located within the ring road of Amsterdam in the Amstel district. You will have everything in arm's reach: the public transport will take you to the heart of Amsterdam within 10 minutes, the Amsterdam Amstel station is a mere three minute walk away from the hotel and the ring road A10 is within easy reach.

## Contact:

### Hotel Casa 400

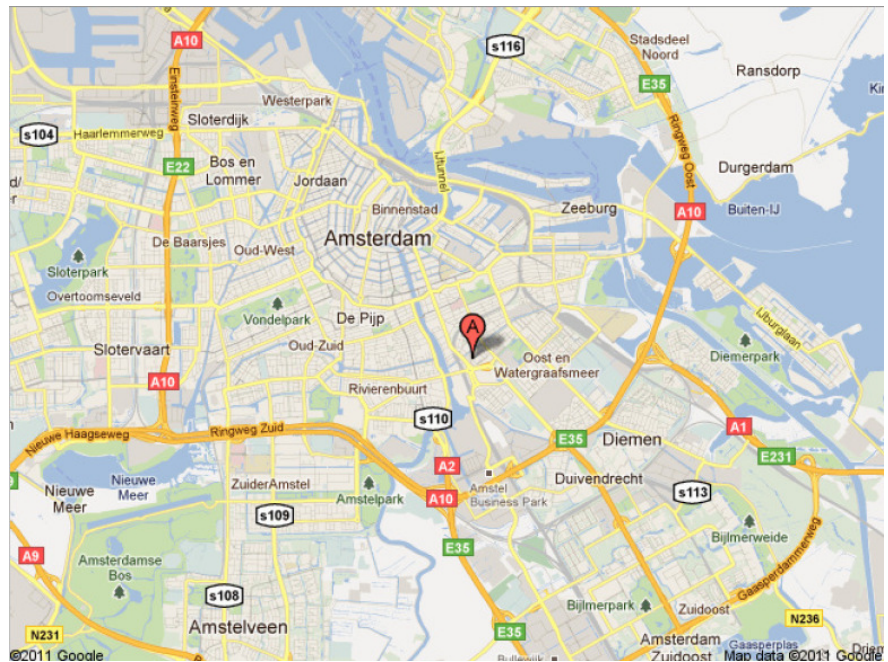
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<http://www.hotelcasa400.nl/>



## Reaching the venue

### By car:

Casa 400 is easy to reach from all directions. On the A10 ring road you take exit S112 and follow signs for Centrum. De Gooiseweg takes you to the roundabout at the Amstel station. Go straight on and then turn right at the second traffic lights onto the Ringdijk. You will see Hotel Casa 400 on your right.

### From Schiphol Amsterdam International Airport

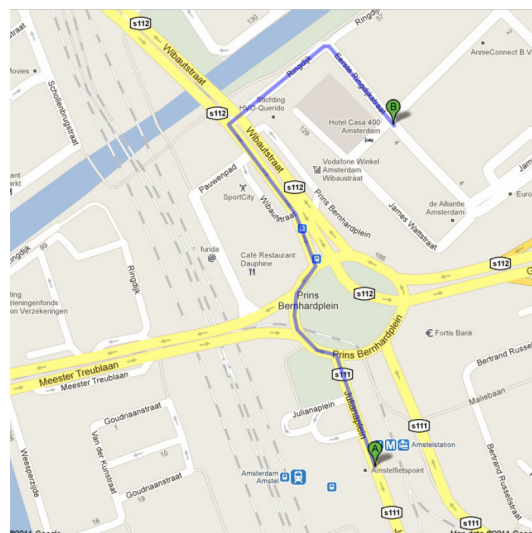
### By train:

From Schiphol Airport take the train to "Amsterdam-Centraal" it takes approximately 20 min. Once there change and take the train direction "Utrecht-Centraal" or "Rotterdam-Centraal" it takes more or less 10 min to get to the "Amsterdam – Amstel" station. For more information and timetables please visit the Dutch railway website at [www.ns.nl](http://www.ns.nl). The fare for this trip will be more or less 3.50€

## By Public Transport:

From train station 'Amsterdam Centraal' walk to metro station 'Metro Centraal Station'. Take Metro **54** destination **Gein** or Metro **51** destination **Westwijk**. Get off at metro station 'Metro Amstel'. It takes more or less 10 min. The metro station is a 3 min walk away from the Hotel. The fare for this trip will be more or less 1.50€

For more information: <http://journeyplanner.9292.nl/>



## By shuttle:

Connexion Company provides a shuttle service between Schiphol Airport and most hotels in Amsterdam. A return ticket cost 25€, Tickets are available at the Tourist information and at the Connexion desk on Schiphol Plaza near the Arrivals hall 4. The return trip has to be booked at least 2 hours in advance and it can be booked at the hotel reception.

For more information on the shuttle service and its timetables, please consult:

<http://www.airporthotelshuttle.nl/site/home.asp>

## Accommodation

- ⚠ A block booking has been made at the hotel at a negotiated rate of 115€ +5% city tax. In order to secure a room, all participants must reserve their place by completing the following <http://www.cost.eu/download/casa400reservationform> and sending it to the venue no later than **13 February 2012**. Any requests received after this date cannot be guaranteed at the negotiated rate.
- ⚠ You need to be registered for the Workshop in order to receive the password to unprotect the form.
- ⚠ The reservation forms should be sent directly to the venue:  
Email: [meetings@casa400.nl](mailto:meetings@casa400.nl)  
Fax number: +31 206630379.

## Country information

### Telephone Calls

The international dialling code to The Netherlands is +31. To reach the hotel by telephone dial: +31 20 665 11 71 (when calling from abroad) and dial 020 665 11 71 (when calling from within The Netherlands).

**Electricity supply:** 230V, 50Hz

**Time:** GMT/UTC+1

**Weights & measures:** metric

**Currency:** Euro (EUR)

**Emergency numbers:** **112** - Police, Ambulance, Fire - Operators for the Pan-European emergency number speak English and will contact the appropriate emergency service. Calling 112 is free from any telephone (mobile or fixed line)

**Other useful numbers:** 0900 8844 (Police non-emergency),

## Insurance

COST does not provide insurance and do not take any responsibility for accidents or illnesses that might occur during the workshop or in the course of travel to or from the meeting place. It is therefore the responsibility of participants to check their health insurance requirements.

## Leisure activities and tourism

Amsterdam is known for its village atmosphere, the beauty of the canals, the bustling cafés and bars, the rich cultural scene and the cosmopolitan population. The city offers something for everyone. Whether you are visiting for the museums, concert halls, the avant-garde theatre and dance venues, restaurants that offer worldly cuisine or simply to shop, Amsterdam offers it all. There is always something happening in Amsterdam, by day or by night. Festivals, concerts, exhibitions, performances, meets and events are an almost everyday occurrence in the city.

The official language of the Netherlands is Dutch. The majority of Amsterdam's residents speak English well and are often fluent in one or two languages on top of that. One can usually get by effortlessly in Amsterdam without a knowing word of Dutch.

For more information on touristic activities, please consult: <http://www.iamsterdam.com/en>

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