

Exploring Sites

Europan 17 – Living Cities

20 April 2023

learn more about each competition location, ask questions, and interact with site representatives.

Europan is the longest-running and largest design competition in Europe for architects under 40 years old. The 51 locations of Europan 17 model the issues that are currently playing out in many parts of Europe. The Urban Region Breda-Tilburg (SRBT) is the host region for Europan 17 in the Netherlands. In the SRBT, nineteen municipalities, four water authorities, the province of Noord-Brabant, and the national government are collaborating on the sustainable development of the region. The region is participating with six locations (Groenewoud and Kenniskwartier in Tilburg, 't Zoet and Schorsmolen in Breda, the shopping center in Etten-Leur, and the Taxandriaweg in Waalwijk).

DAY PROGRAM | Thursday 20 April

During the day, competition participants will go on an excursion to visit the six locations and receive an in-depth explanation of the assignments. This will be followed by a Q&A session with project leaders representing the participating municipalities. The day will conclude with a public symposium, organized in collaboration with BLASt and CAST.

Site Visits | 9.30 - 12:30 LocHal, Burgemeester Brokxlaan 1000, Tilburg (https://goo.gl/maps/Vr3SRD5Cj6Eg27t87)

Site visits are open to all interested participants who want to learn more about each competition location, ask questions, and interact with site representatives. Please ensure that you arrive before 10:00 AM.After a brief introduction, each group will depart with their respective site representative to visit the competition locations, which include Groenewoud and Kenniskwartier in Tilburg, 't Zoet and Schorsmolen in Breda, the shopping center in Etten-Leur, and the Taxandriaweg in Waalwijk.

Insightful Workshops | 16.00-18:00 MotMot gallery, Belcrumweg 19, Breda (https://goo.gl/maps/26wrEA6azMHQq6)

In the afternoon, we will reconvene at MotMot Gallery in Breda for six parallel workshops, where participants will have the opportunity to further deepen their understanding of the sites and competition assignments in detail with the site representatives. Symposium Living Cities | 19:30-21:15 (room opens at 19:00)
MotMot gallery, Belcrumweg 19, Breda (https://goo.gl/maps/26wrEA6azMHQq6BY9)

During the evening program, which is open to everyone, we will delve deeper into the importance of the SRBT and competitions such as Europan, as well as the six locations and their corresponding themes. We will talk to:

Bas van der Pol (Alderman of the Municipality of Tilburg) and **Bas van Rijsbergen** (Director of Urban Development of the Municipality of Breda) about the value and strength of Europan for the participating municipalities.

Ton Venhoeven (VenhoevenCS architecture+urbanism) will give a Keynote presentation on Living Cities.

Peter van Schie (Urban Planner of the Municipality of Breda) and **Marco Visser** (Urban Planner of the Municipality of Tilburg) will discuss the significance of participating in Europan for the SRBT.

Sabine Lebesque (Europan NL) with a brief introduction on Europan. What is Europan, and what does it stand for?

We will conclude the evening with a panel discussion in which we further delve into themes such as broad prosperity, new urbanity, and mobility.

The presentation and moderation will be conducted by **Sophie Stravens**. The language used for this evening will be English.

Register for Symposium Living Cities

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