



59th FIABCI World Congress

Water: threats, opportunities and possibilities

Amsterdam, May 29th - May 31st, 2008



Amsterdam bids you a warm welcome!

The City of Amsterdam, the Dutch chapter of Fiabci and the Organising Committee bid you a warm welcome to the 59th Fiabci World Congress.

Amsterdam, one of Europe's greatest cosmopolitan cities, bursting with fresh initiatives and thriving entrepreneurship, and with its business community operating on a global scale, has so much to offer you. Its rich history and cultural treasures will guarantee you an unforgettable stay.



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‘I amsterdam’ is the slogan the City of Amsterdam uses to encourage tourists and businesspeople to come to this vibrant city.

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Programme

The programme consists of two different parts: the Committee days (exclusively for FIABCI members) and a three day congress in which lectures and conferences of the most recent and interesting aspects of the international real estate business.



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Congress theme: WATER

Threats, Opportunities and Possibilities



An inconvenient truth: doom scenario or a realistic view of the future



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WATER is our primary necessity of life: without water, no existence is possible. Water supplies and the quality of drinking water are under great pressure in many places in the world. Water is becoming a precious commodity. What are the **OPPORTUNITIES** to halt this process, and make sure there's a future for life on Earth?

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Climate change, but also human activity of various kinds, is putting our coastlines and deltas under enormous pressure. How can we control the **THREATS**, and create new **OPPORTUNITIES** for these areas?



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Living by the water, or on the water... it's a dream for many of us. How do you create **OPPORTUNITIES** and **POSSIBILITIES** to make this dream a reality for more people?





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Dynamic water
Water-based recreation is a
flourishing business area.

What are the
OPPORTUNITIES and
POSSIBILITIES to keep it
this way?



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Venue

Beurs van Berlage



We've chosen an outstanding venue for our congress: the Beurs van Berlage, located in the heart of Amsterdam, 100 metres from the Dam square and close to a host of three to five star hotels. The impressive building has all the modern facilities to host the Fiabci family for a congress.



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Young Members 'Splash Programme'

For our younger members Amsterdam offers an attractive programme with:

- interactive workshops
- a special young members' business tour
- a glittering party on the water
- highly attractive hotel deals
- a bargain congress fee





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Study Tours

Our traditional Study Tours take place on Friday, May 30th. In keeping with the theme of our congress, our tours are all connected with water.

It is possible to choose between Morning Study Tours and

Whole Day Study Tours.



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Social and partner programme

Your partner doesn't have to be left killing time during the congress. We have put together an active and exciting programme for the partners for each day of the congress.





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All in all, a multitude of very good reasons to take this opportunity to profit from your Fiabci membership and visit the 2008 Congress in the city of Amsterdam.



For more information visit our website:

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See you in Amsterdam!

