ICAN 5: Coastal Atlases as Engines for Coastal and Marine Spatial Planning

31 August – 2 September 2011

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

GETTING TO OOSTENDE

BY PLANE

Arriving at Brussels Airport-Zaventem you can take the train to Oostende at floor -1 of the airport. Take the train in the direction of Brussels and get off in station Brussel-Noord (North/Nord), Brussel-Centraal (Central) or Brussel-Zuid (South/Midi). All three train stations in Brussels have a direct connection to Oostende.

Tickets can be purchased online <u>http://www.b-rail.be/main/E//</u> or at the ticket office at Floor -1 of the airport.

Timetable on weekdays:

Brussels Airport to Brussels (get off at Noord, Centraal or Zuid):

| Brussels-Airport | Brussel-Noord/Nord | Brussel- | Brussel-Zuid/Midi | Final train |
|------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| | | Centraal/Central | | destination |
| h09 | h21 | h26 | h30 | Gent-St-Pieters |
| h27 | h39 | h44 | h48 | Brussel-Zuid |
| h36 | h50 | h56 | h00 | Quevy |
| h52 | h03 | h08 | h12 | De Panne |

Brussels to Oostende:

| Brussel-Noord/Nord | Brussel-Centraal/Central | Brussel-Zuid/Midi | Final train destination |
|--------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| h56 | h59 | h03 | Oostende |

<u>BY TRAIN</u>

All main train stations in Belgium (Brussels, Ghent, Antwerp) have direct connections to Oostende train station.

The Thalys and Eurostar stop at Brussel-Zuid/Midi. For train connection to Oostende, see timetable above.

All timetables can be found on <u>http://www.b-rail.be/main/E//</u>. Tickets can be purchase online or at the ticket offices in the main train stations.

BY CAR

From Brussels: take the E40 motorway to Oostende. From Antwerp: take the E17 to Ghent and then the E40 to Oostende. From Kortrijk: take the E17/E403 in the direction of Brugge and then the E40 to Oostende.

You can park your car for free in the free parking lot just outside the city centre. Parking Maria-Hendrikapark - Location: Graaf de Smet de Naeyerlaan and Mercatorlaan.

GETTING TO THE VENUE (from the city centre)

InnovOcean Site Wandelaarkaai 7 (entrance 61) 8400 Oostende Tel. +32-(0)59/34.01.67 Fax. +32-(0)59/34.01.89 E info@kustbeheer.be

BY FERRY-BOAT



There is a free ferry-boat that connects the city centre (Montgomery Dok) with Oosteroever (Maritiem Plein), right next to the venue. The boat sails approximately every 20 min.

When you arrive with the ferryboat you turn right and walk towards the buildings alongside the water. Take entrance 61.

BY TRAM

You can reach the venue as well by tram (direction 'Knokke', NOT to De Panne) from any of the stops located in the city. You should leave the tram at the first stop after the railway station, the stop 'Weg naar Vismijn'. During summer there is a tram every 15min.

Leaving the tram it is a 15min walk towards the venue.

BY CAR

Coming from the Roundabout Kennedy (Oostende), keep right, follow direction Blankenberge. Arriving at the second roundabout, take second turn (half-round), follow direction Blankenberge. At the 3rd traffic lights, turn left (mind the tram!!). After crossing the tram rails turn immediately left, at the end of the street turn right. Then just drive straight through (past the roundabout) until the covered passageway of the fish auction and take the second turn to the left and turn left again into the 'Wandelaarkaai'.

<u>BY TAXI</u>

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