



# METREX Autumn Conference

Metropolitan Region of Amsterdam 2022

Metropolis of Outstanding Quality with Human Scale

5-7 October 2022

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## Wednesday 5 October 2022

**Venue:** Stadstimmertuin  
(Gemeente Amsterdam offices), Amsterdam

**10:00** Study Visit for The Productive City Expert Group (finishes 12:45)

**10:30** Registration and coffee

**11:00** Expert and Network Groups

- Nordic-Baltic Network Group

**13:00** Expert and Network Groups

- From Roads to Streets
- Metropolitan Climate Challenge
- Metropolitan Governance and Strategies
- SURE Network Group
- The Productive City

**15:00** METREX General Assembly  
(METREX Members only)

**16:00** Metropolitan Vision for Europe 2050  
Łukasz Medeksza, METREX Managing Committee and City of Wrocław

**17:00** Bernd Steinacher Fellowship 2018-20  
David Dooghe, Fellow

**17:15** Free time

## Special Evening Reception and Buffet

**Venue:** De Bazel  
Vijzelstraat 30, 1017 HL Amsterdam

**18:30** Opening

Josja van der Veer, Director of Spatial Planning and Sustainability, City of Amsterdam

Bo Kramer, Paralympic gold medalist wheelchair basketball player

**21:00** Close

## Thursday 6 October 2022

**Venue:** Pakhuis de Zwijger  
Piet Heinkade 179, 1019 HC Amsterdam

**09:00** Registration and coffee

**09:15** Welcome

Reinier van Dantzig, Deputy Mayor, City of Amsterdam

Jakub Mazur, President of METREX, First Deputy Mayor, City of Wrocław

**The Significance of Metropolises in the Netherlands in an International Perspective**

Floris Alkemade, architect and urban designer

**Introduction to the Metropolitan Region of Amsterdam**  
Emiel Reiding, Director, MRA

**The Major Changes in Spatial Planning in the Netherlands**  
Judith Lekkerkerker, Strategist Urban Development for the City of Almere and Errik Buursink

**Sub Session and Study Tour Briefing**

**11:30** Break

**11:45** Three sub-sessions + Site Visits

**1. Green-blue network in and around the city**

Juriaan Jansen, Policy Advisor, Metropolitan City of Amsterdam  
Review by Daniele Zuchelli, Città Metropolitana di Milano

**2. Systems for the future (mobility and energy)**

William Stokman and André van Eijk  
Review by Sandeep Shingadia, Transport for West Midlands

**3. Multi-core development of the human dimension**

Judith Lekkerkerker, Urban development and region strategist at Municipality of Almere  
Review by Karen McCormick, UrbaLyon

**12:45** Lunch-to-go pick-up

**13:15** Site Visits

**16:30** Transportation to Dinner

## The Conference Dinner

**Venue:** lab 44  
Middenweg 44, 1505 RK Zaandam

**17:30** Pre-dinner Reception at Het HEM Warmperserij 1, 1505 RL Zaandam

Followed by a short walk to dinner

**18:30** Conference Dinner

**21:00** Transportation by boat to Amsterdam Central Station

## Friday 7 October 2022

**Venue:** Theatre Kunstlinie  
Esplanade 10, 1315 TA Almere

**08:50** Gather at Amsterdam Central Station track 13b.  
Board 09:07 train to Almere

**09:30** Walk Almere station to Theatre Kunstlinie

**09:45** Registration and Coffee

**10:15** Welcome

Alexander Sprong, Deputy Mayor, City of Almere

Jakub Mazur, President of METREX and First Deputy Mayor, Wrocław

**10:25** Almere, from Zero to Floriade

**Introduction to Almere**  
Jan Kuit, City of Almere

**Urban Development in Almere, Past, Present and Future**  
Heleen van Duin, City of Almere

**Sustainability in Almere**  
Sander van Voorn, City of Almere

**11:45** Conclusions and Closing of the Conference

Erik Pasveer, Head of Strategy, Department of Spatial Planning and Sustainability, City of Amsterdam

Jakub Mazur, President, METREX, and First Deputy Mayor, Wrocław

**12:30** Lunch and Walk to Boat

## Optional Afternoon Visit to Floriade

**13:00** Boat trip to the Floriade Expo 2022

**13:30** Official welcome at the Floriade Expo 2022

Hans Bakker, General Director of the Floriade Expo 2022

**Presentation of the Dutch Innovation Experience at the Natural Pavilion**  
Xander De Bruine, Program Manager Floriade Expo 2022

**14:00** Guided tours Floriade Expo 2022 (tbc) or experience the Floriade on your own

**16:00** Close of Visit

Return by boat to Theatre Kunstlinie

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