

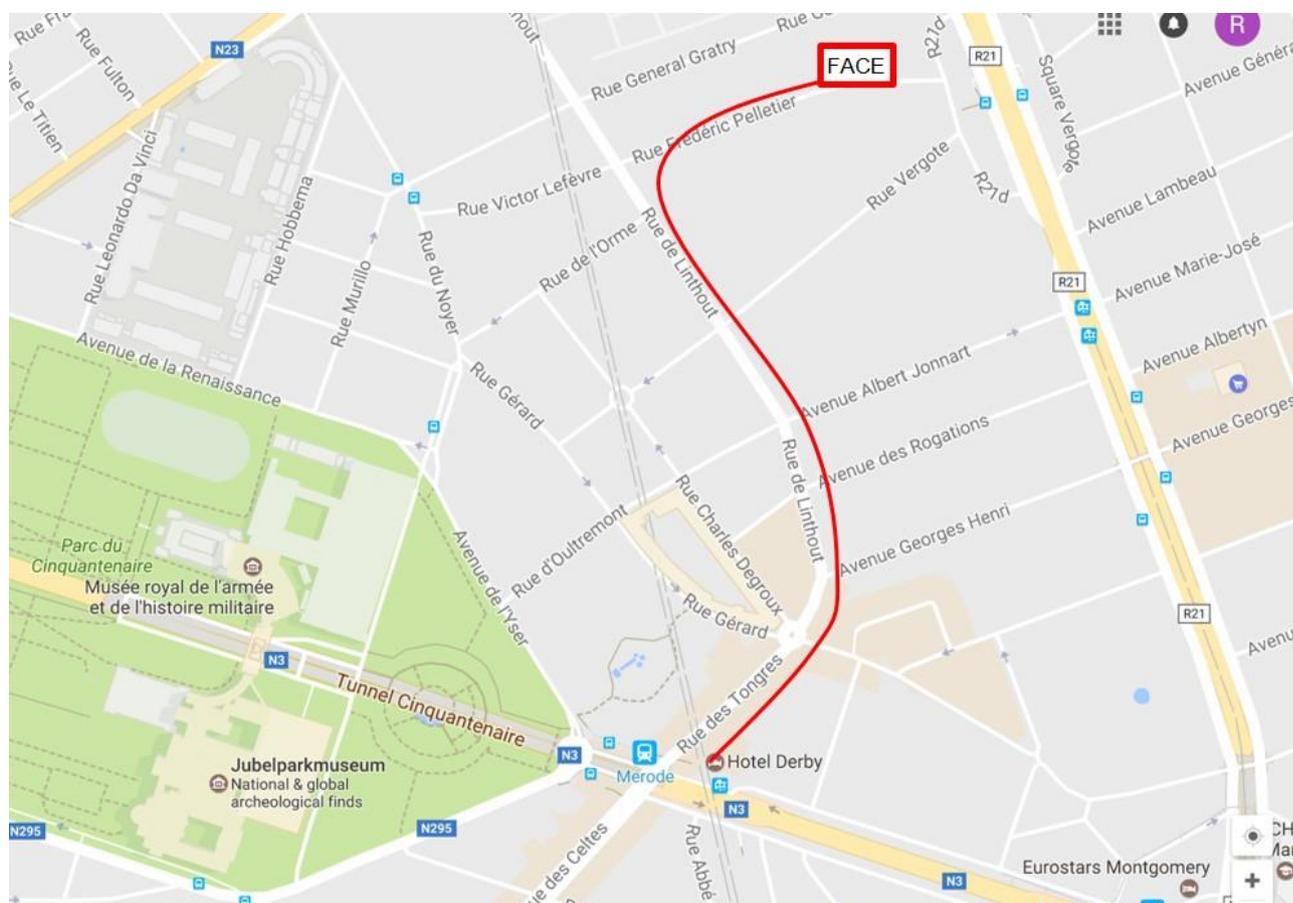
European Sustainable Use Group (ESUG)

General Meeting of Members & Perdixnet Launch

In Brussels on Thursday, 11 May 2017

Accommodation & Meeting Venue

Most members are staying in the Hotel Derby, which is situated at Avenue de Tervuren 24 (Tel: +32 27330819, <https://www.hotelderby.be/>), very close to Merode station on the metro. Hotel Derby is also a convenient (10 minute) walk from the headquarters of the Federation of Associations for Hunting and Conservation of the EU, 82 Rue Frederick Pelletier, for the General Meeting. The walk goes via Rue des Tongres (which contains good shops for Belgian chocolate and an excellent Fromagerie) and Rue de Linthout



As well as very kindly providing facilities for our meeting, FACE is also generously giving us a light lunch with tea and coffee at 13.00 so that we may gather and start the meeting promptly at 13.30. Further papers for the meeting will follow early next week.

The meeting will end at 17.00 and those going to the launch of the Perdixnet portal at the Bozar Centre (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Centre_for_Fine_Arts,_Brussels) will be given metro tickets for the journey there and back. We will go as a group by metro to Parc station (see next page), 5 minutes walk from the Bozar (and 4 stops from Merode).

In case of difficulty, please phone or SMS to +44 7720843684

Perdixnet launch in the Bozar

For the launch of the Perdixnet portal, ESUG members have kindly been invited as guests by the International Association for Falconry and Conservation of Birds of Prey (www.iag.org). IAF was introduced to membership of IUCN more than 20 years ago by our late member Christian de Coune, who was then its President. It grew under his 14-year tenure from 6 countries to more than 30 national members and now represents 86 countries. After IUCN itself, IAF now has the greatest global coverage of member clubs of any non-state organisation dedicated to conservation through sustainable use. It is also an observer to UNESCO after guiding the recognition of falconry as an intangible heritage of humanity.

ESUG has worked on contracts with IAF (and UNEP-CMS) for contracts on the Saker Falcon (see www.saker-staging.net) as well as www.perdixnet.org (which will launch in 16 languages, with 2 national sites live, and 4 more in preparation). ESUG also has an ongoing contract with IAF for developing further web-sites and portals, with Sakernet stage II being planned.

You may have a chance after the series of 5-minutes speeches to launch Perdixnet to meet IAF President Dr Adrian Lombard from South Africa and the CEO in Brussels Office Dr Gary Timbrell from Ireland. There will be more information in or before Brussels on any events that follow the launch and cocktail reception.

