



Travel information:

Venue:

Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences

Rue Vautier / Vautierstraat 29

B-1000 Brussels

Belgium

www.naturalsciences.be

General Information:

- Belgium and especially Brussels is multilingual, we have three native languages: Dutch, French and German. In Brussels most people speak French and Dutch, but a lot of them can also understand English.
- Because of this in Brussels all name tags are in French and Dutch!
For example: street name: Rue Vautier / Vautierstraat,
train station: Bruxelles-Midi / Brussel-Zuid, ...
- As in every capital city: please be aware of pick-pockets!
- **Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences (RBINS, the Museum)** is located in the vicinity of the European Communities.
→ You can find the Museum by going through the buildings of the European parliament at the Luxemburg square (also see map 5).



Entrance of venue/museum (*Th.Hubin*)

Directions to RBINS:

Public transport is strongly recommended and cheap (a taxi from the airport is very expensive (+- 40 EUR), + no parking possibilities in the vicinity of the Museum).

From the airport:

Bus:

12 or 21, bus-stop "Luxembourg" (5 min. walk from the Museum) , +- 5 Euro for a ticket

see [STIB-MIVB website \(http://www.mivb.be/horaires-dienstregeling2.html?linecode=21&x=0&y=0&l=en&fmodule=s&results=s\)](http://www.mivb.be/horaires-dienstregeling2.html?linecode=21&x=0&y=0&l=en&fmodule=s&results=s)

or [the route map \(http://www.mivb.be/irj/go/km/docs/horaires/21/schema/20110901/21_1.gif\)](http://www.mivb.be/irj/go/km/docs/horaires/21/schema/20110901/21_1.gif)

Train:

Below the arriving/departure hall from the airport is the Airport train station, you can buy a ticket at the station or on the train (5,10 Euro). There are regular trains to Brussels, every hour at 09, 27, 36, 52 minutes. All these trains stop at **Brussels-North**, **Brussels-Central** (underground) and **Brussels-Midi**, the three main train stations in Brussels.

To get close to the museum: From each of the three main stations you can get a train to station "**Brussels -Luxembourg**" (underground, 5 min. walk from the Museum).

See www.b-rail.be/main/E/, or map 1 and 2 below for an overview of Brussels with the stations.

From Brussels City:

Ticket is 2 EUR on the bus for one-way ticket, can be used for bus and metro, 11.20 EUR for 10 journeys. (see <http://www.mivb.be/tickets.html?l=en>)

Bus:

34 or 80, bus-stop "Museum" (opposite the Museum)

38 or 95, bus-stop "Idalie" (Rue du Trône / Troonstraat)

Underground/metro:

line 1 and 5, Maelbeek (10 min. walk from the Museum)

line 2 and 6, Trône (10 min. walk from the Museum)

>> For more information:

Network plan: <http://www.mivb.be/netplan-plan-reseau.html?l=en>

Timetables and other information about busses and underground: <http://www.mivb.be/index.htm?l=en>

By foot:

As an *alternative* from Brussels-Central, the Museum is only 25 minutes on foot.

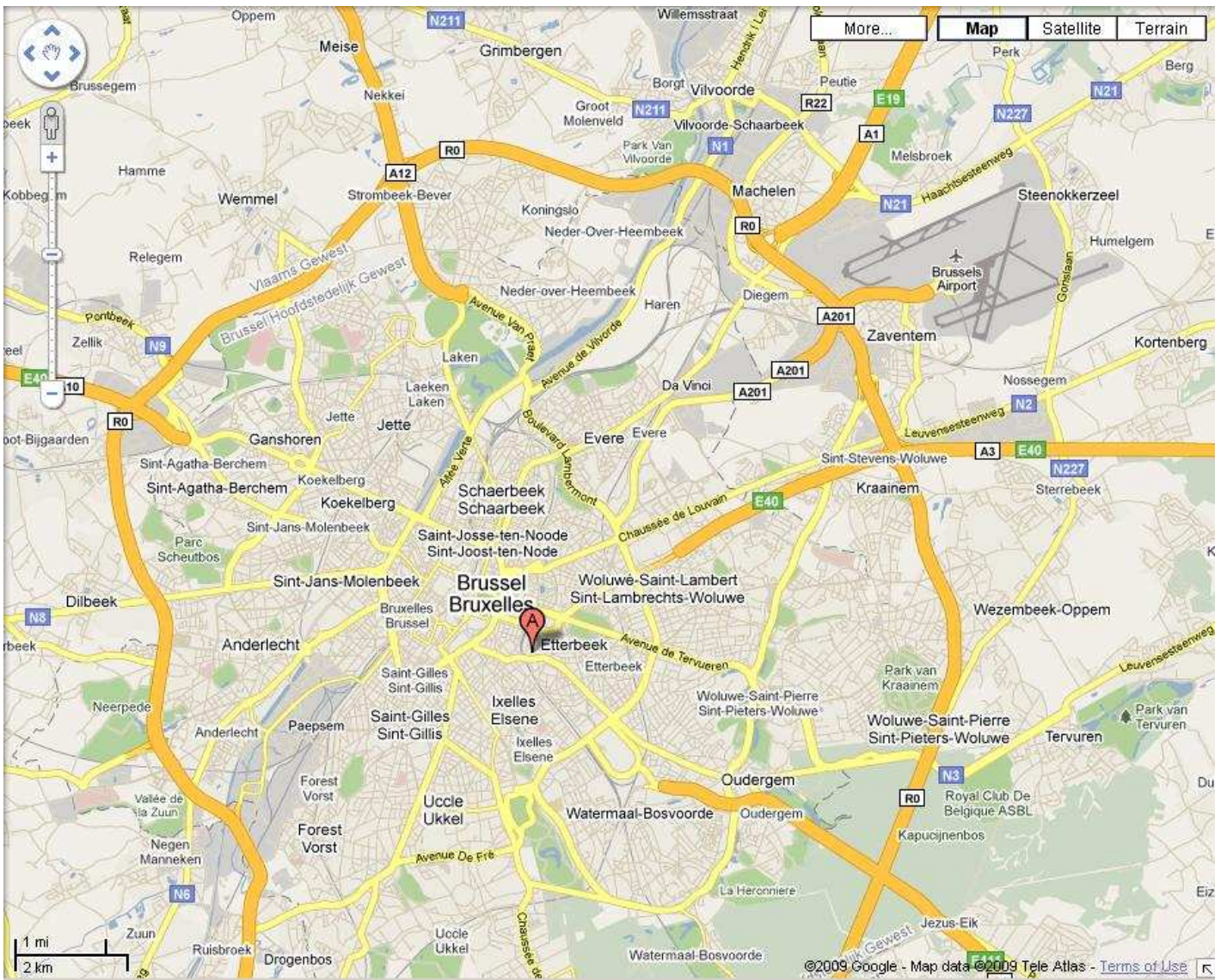
Find below map 3, a general map with a guideline from Brussels-Central to RBINS, you will pass some nice places, including the Royal Palace.

Other Information

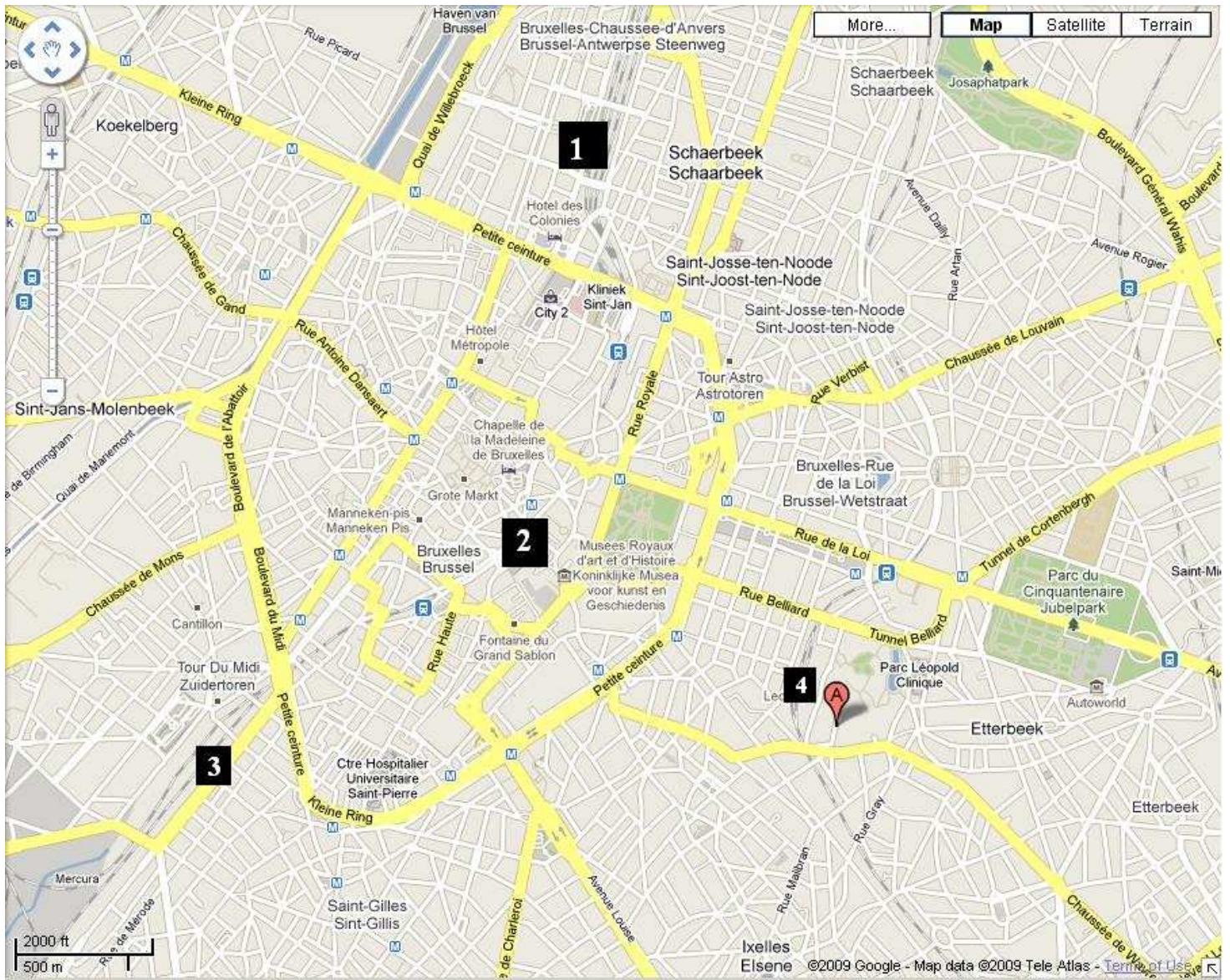
Map 4 and 5 give you an overview of the direct environment of the Institute.

If you have any more questions about your visit to Brussels please contact

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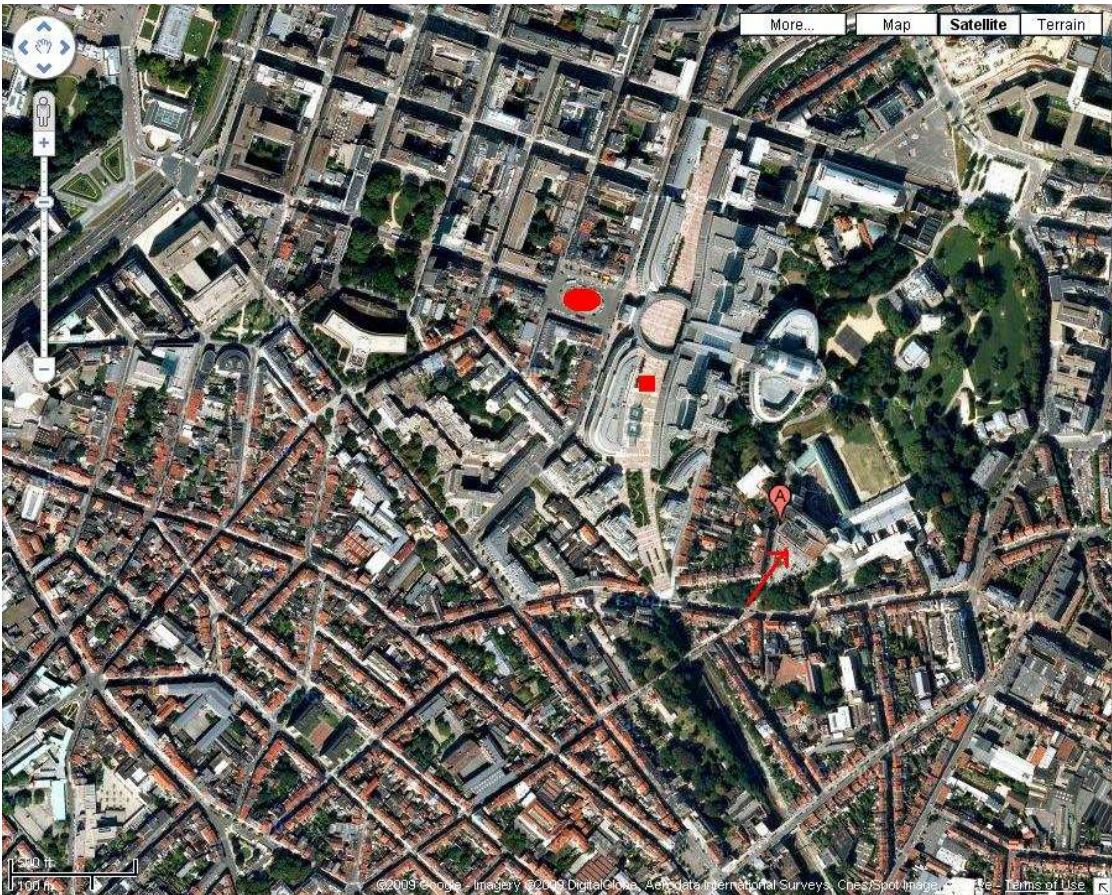
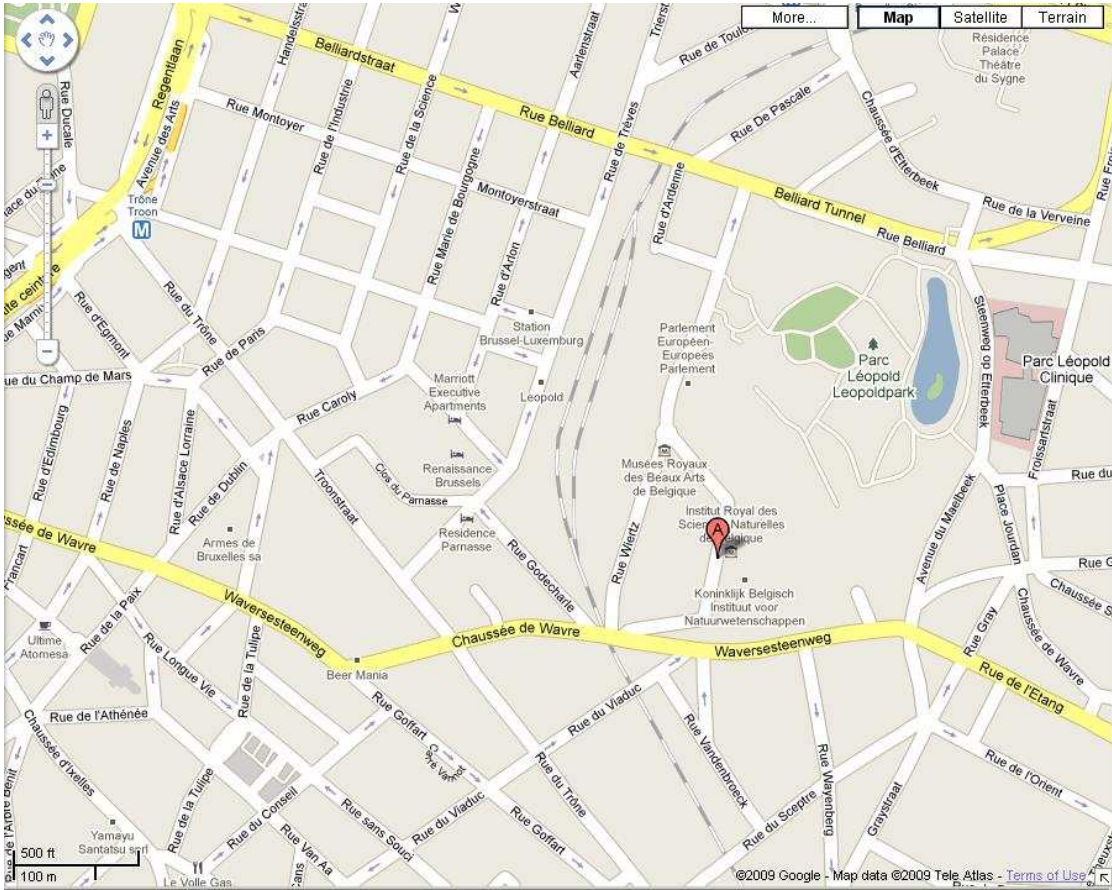
Map 1: overview of Brussels, 'A' indicates the Museum.



Map 2 : Overview train stations:

- 1) Brussels-North
- 2) Brussels-Central
- 3) Brussels- South/Midi
- 4) Brussels-Luxemburg

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Map 4 & 5: Red ● = Luxemburg square, Red ■ = Luxemburg train station, red -> = the Museum ('A')