

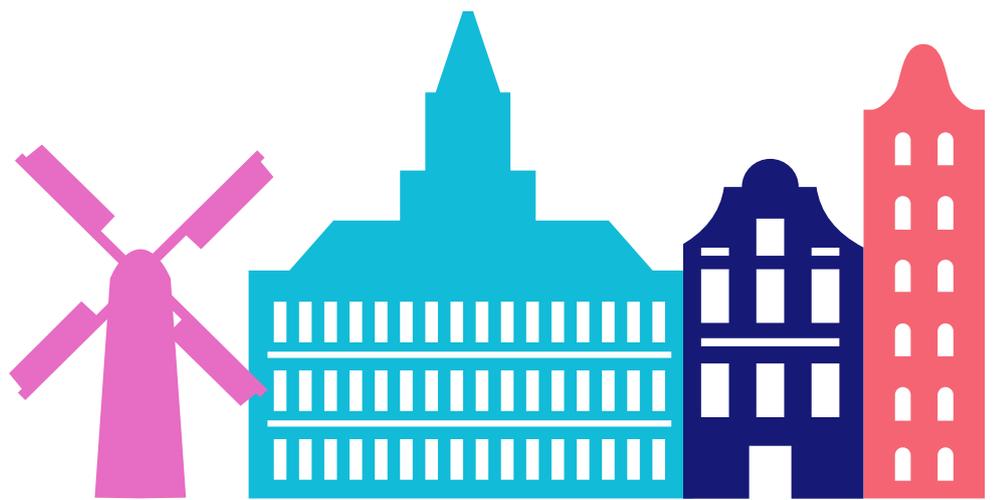


SymfonyCon  
AMSTERDAM 2025

NOVEMBER 27 - 28, 2025

# PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Badge, transportation, venue, accommodation, catering...  
Everything you need to know!



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# 1- PRIOR TO THE EVENT

## a) Book your accommodation

Some rooms have been pre-booked at negotiated rates in Amsterdam (subject to availability). Booking links are available with special terms:

### **Book your hotel room for SymphonyCon Amsterdam 2025 and enjoy exclusive benefits:**

- Best negotiated hotel room rates
- No prepayment required
- Flexible cancellation policies
- Discount at Bistro Berlage during your stay

A wide variety of hotels are available, with many located within walking distance of the Beurs van Berlage conference venue.

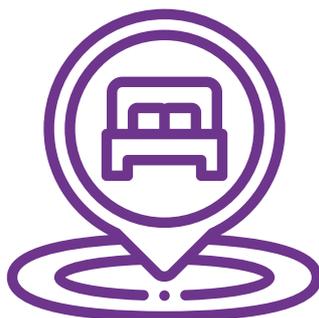
Complete your booking online to secure your room. You will receive a confirmation email and hotel voucher once the booking is finalized. The room will be guaranteed with your credit card, and payment will be made at the hotel upon check-out.

### **👉 LINK to book your accommodation:**

<https://beursvanberlage.com/hosting/CommunityPortal/ProgressivePortal/SYMFONY25/App/Views/InformationPage/View.aspx?InformationPageID=235>

### **Group bookings:**

If you would like to reserve more than 10 rooms, please contact the team at [✉ services@beursvanberlage.com](mailto:services@beursvanberlage.com)



## b) Complete your account information

Once you are registered, customize your SymfonyCon experience by completing your profile:

- Personalize your badge
- Select your workshops (if applicable)
- Select your talks
- Choose your t-shirt size and food preferences

 **SymfonyCon Amsterdam 2025**  
Amsterdam (Netherlands) • November 27 – 28, 2025 • Starts in 141 days

 **Create your Badge**  
Customize the contents of your badge.

 **Download your Badge (PDF)**  
Download and print your badge on paper before the conference. For security reasons, a physical badge must be carried at all times.

 **Update your Preferences**  
Select your t-shirt size, food preferences, etc.

 **Transfer your Voucher**  
Transferring your voucher allows another person to attend the conference/workshop in your place. Your voucher code is

## c) Print your badge

For safety reasons we ask all participants to print their badge before arriving at the conference. **There will be no printing on site.**

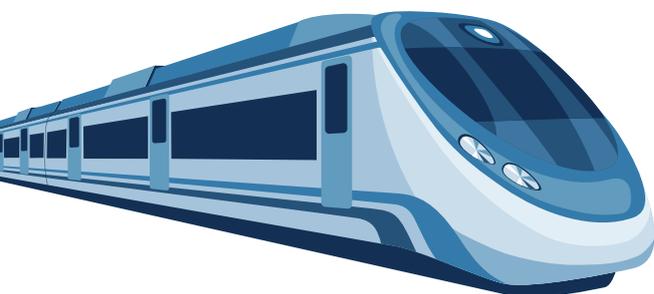
Lanyards and badge pocket will be available at the welcome desk.

## 2- GETTING TO AMSTERDAM

### a) By train

Amsterdam is well-connected by train from major European cities such as Paris, Brussels, Berlin, Frankfurt, and London... Upon arrival at **Amsterdam Centraal Station**, the **Beurs van Berlage** is just a **5-minute walk (approximately 300 meters)** away. **Exit the station towards Damrak**, and you'll find the venue on your left as you walk towards Dam Square.

You can plan your journey using the [NS website](#)



## b) By plane

If you're traveling from afar, we're happy to offer discounted airfares with both Air France-KLM and the Lufthansa Group airlines to help make your journey to SymphonyCon Amsterdam 2025 a little easier!



### Air France-KLM

 Only on [airfrance.fr](https://airfrance.fr) or [klm.fr](https://klm.fr)

3 steps to claim your 10% discount:

- Follow the regular booking process, when asked if “travelling for business” select YES and use MICE as “contract name”, this ensures the Air France-KLM corporate recognition associated with “Global Meetings and Events” program during your flights.
- After completing your personal details click on “Proceed to payment details” at the bottom of the page and enter in the “Your discount code” field the discount code : **GME50027AF**
- Click on 'Send discount code' and if conditions are met\* the discount will be applied.



*Please scan the QR code to read the general conditions which are applicable to the usage of this event Internet Discount Code (IDC)*

### Lufthansa Group airline network

Benefit from the cooperation with the Lufthansa Group airlines (Lufthansa, SWISS, Austrian, Brussels Airlines, Eurowings, Edelweiss, Discover) and optimize your travel costs. The extensive route network with around 310 destinations worldwide, as well as transatlantic flights operated by Air Canada and United are available to you.

Click here <https://www.lufthansa.com/event/symfonycon-2025> and the discounted rates will be displayed. They are valid for flights up to one week before and one week after the event.

**Important:** Please make sure pop-ups are enabled in your browser when accessing the booking platform.



## c) By Car

Driving in Amsterdam's city center can be challenging due to traffic and limited parking. However, if you choose to drive:

- **Nearest parking garages:**

- Parking Centrum Oosterdok: Approximately a 15-minute walk from the venue. It's more accessible, cost-effective, and offers 136 electric charging points.
- Q-Park Bijenkorf and Q-Park Amsterdam Central Station: Both are within walking distance and provide facilities for visitors with disabilities.

We recommend booking parking in advance where possible.

## d) By Public Transportation

Amsterdam offers a well-connected and reliable public transport system operated by [GVB](#).

- **Tram:** Several tram lines stop near Beurs van Berlage. The closest stop is Dam/De Bijenkorf, served by trams 4 and 14.
- **Metro:** The nearest metro stations are Nieuwmarkt and Centraal Station, both within walking distance.
- **Bus:** Multiple bus lines serve the area around Amsterdam Centraal Station, which is a short walk from the venue.

Tickets can be purchased at stations, via GVB ticket machines, or through the GVB app. For unlimited public transport during your stay, consider purchasing a GVB multi-day ticket (1 to 7 days).



## e) Taxis and Accessibility Transport

- **Taxis:** Official taxi stands are available throughout Amsterdam, including near Beurs van Berlage. You can also book taxis via the Taxi Central Amsterdam at +31 (0)20-777 7777.
- **Ride apps:** Services like Uber and Bolt operate in Amsterdam.

### **Accessible transport:**

- **Staxi** provides wheelchair-accessible taxis.
- **Connexion** offers regional accessible transportation.

The Beurs van Berlage is accessible to everyone, with facilities to accommodate visitors with disabilities.

## 3- GETTING TO SYMFONYCON

### a) Workshops

The pre-conference workshops will take place from November 25 to 26 at **Meet Berlage**, just few meters down the street from Beurs van Berlage.

**Address:** Oudebrugsteeg 9, 1012 ZJ Amsterdam, Netherlands

Present yourself at the welcome desk with your pre-printed badge. We will be at your disposal for any further information.

The schedule will be regularly updated on the [event page](#).

Don't forget to check the workshop recommendations received by email to participate in the workshops. This will make it easier to get started.

## b) Main conference

The conference will take place from November 27 to 28 at the **Beurs van Berlage**, in the heart of Amsterdam. We're thrilled to return to this iconic venue, just like in 2019, as we celebrate Symphony's 20th anniversary!

**Address:** Damrak 243, 1012 ZJ Amsterdam, Netherlands

Present yourself at the welcome desk with your pre-printed badge. We will be at your disposal for any further information.

The schedule will be regularly updated on the [event page](#).

## 4- CATERING

### a) Indicate your food preference

Once you have registered, log in to your conference profile, click on Conferences and then on Update your Preferences.

**You can choose your food preference as: "No special meal", "I'm vegan" or "I'm vegetarian".**

If you don't specify your diet beforehand, you won't have priority on the spot.

### b) Food and beverages included

All tickets (workshop, conference, workshop+conference) include a morning coffee break, lunch and afternoon coffee break per day. Dinners are not provided.

In addition, a welcome coffee will be served on November 27 and 28 **from 8:00** so feel free to join us early to avoid the queue!

Lunch buffets will be available in the exhibition area.

### c) Water accessibility

Water will be available at all times in water fountains.



## 5- COMMUNITY EVENING



### **Celebrate Symphony's 20th Anniversary with us at the Kanarie Club!**

Join us for an unforgettable evening of drinks, music, and good vibes on **Thursday, November 27 from 7:30 to 10:30** pm at the vibrant Kanarie Club, right in the heart of De Hallen – a lively food court with 21 amazing stands (grab your favorite bites, bring them to the Kanari club!).

Dress as you like or simply add a touch of fun – glitter is always a good idea!

Address: Bellamyplein 51, 1053AT, Amsterdam

- 11 minutes by bicycle,
- 29 minutes by public transportation,
- 35 minutes by walk from Beurs van Berlage

Your conference badge is your ticket in  
– don't forget it!

**Join us for a memorable evening at the Kanarie Club**



## 6- HACKDAY

### **A Symphony hackathon will be organized on Saturday, November 29<sup>th</sup>**

New and experienced contributors are all wanted! We will:

- Onboard and Mentor New Contributors
- Collaborate on Future Roadmap
- Enhance Testing and Security
- Develop Community Resources
- Strengthen Diversity and Outreach

Bring your laptop and let's explore new ideas together!

The hackathon will be hosted in Amsterdam from 09.30 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. CET  
Address will be announced shortly



## 7- DISABILITY INFORMATION



### a) Slow walkers & wheelchairs

Thanks to the integrated lift, visitors can also enter the Beurs via the main entrance stairs. All main halls of the Beurs van Berlage are located on the ground floor and feature wide, step-free entrances, making them fully wheelchair accessible.

Other breakout rooms are situated on the first floor or in the basement, both of which are easily reachable via a glass lift.

Dedicated seating will be organized at front and side rows.

10-minute breaks are provided between each talk for moving time.



### b) Visual impairments

The venue is fully equipped to accommodate visitors with visual impairments. Features include clear markings on staircases to indicate the end of each flight and lift buttons designed with visually impaired visitors in mind.

### c) Deaf & hard-of-hearing

Dedicated seating will be organized at front rows.

Sign language interpreter or technical devices during talks can be organized upon request in advance by email ([events@symfony.com](mailto:events@symfony.com)).

### d) Guide and assistance dogs

Service dogs are warmly welcome at the venue. For everyone's comfort and safety, we kindly ask that they wear a mouth guard while inside the building. Please make sure to bring the necessary travel documents that confirm your dog is a certified service animal. We also ask that service dogs remain on a leash or harness and under your supervision at all times during the event.



## 8- COMING WITH CHILDREN

### a) Childcare

Babysitting is available upon advance request only (minimum of 7 days). The request must be sent by email (event@symfony.com) and be specific with the number of children, their age, requested day and duration.

### b) Breastfeeding

Breastfeeding is welcome throughout the conference center, wherever nursing parents feel most comfortable. While there isn't a dedicated nursing room on site, a fridge will be available if needed. If you'd like assistance or access, please don't hesitate to contact the reception team in advance or on arrival.

## 9- FURTHER INFORMATION

### a) First aid station



If you begin to feel ill or need medical assistance, please do not hesitate to ask someone from the organization or security agents.

### b) Non-gendered toilets

At Square most of toilets are gendered. For your comfort, a non-gender sign will be added on several toilets

### c) Prayer room

There is no dedicated prayer room inside the conference area.

## 10- CONTACT

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### a) CARE Team

In the interest of fostering an open and welcoming environment, the "Code of Conduct Active Response Ensurers", or CARE team, pledge to ensure that the spirit of the Code of Conduct is respected. Our main priority is to ensure the safety of our community members. The second goal is to help educate the community as a whole to be aware of the Code of Conduct and how to help implement its spirit throughout the community. In case these goals conflict, we will prioritize safety of community members over all other goals.

More information on <https://symfony.com/care>

**Email:** [care@symfony.com](mailto:care@symfony.com)

### b) Organization team

If you have any questions, suggestions, or need any assistance, please feel free to reach out to our event team, we're here to help!

**Email:** [events@symfony.com](mailto:events@symfony.com)

**WE CAN'T WAIT TO WELCOME YOU TO  
SYMPHONYCON AMSTERDAM 2025!**

