

Comenius Contact Seminar for School Partnerships
“International cooperation between schools with children and youngsters with special needs”

23 - 27 November 2011, Alden Biesen, Belgium

Organised by EPOS vzw, NA for Flanders (Belgium)
in cooperation with Landcommanderij Alden Biesen

Practical information

<p><u>What can you expect</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A unique opportunity to meet with around 40 participants from all over Europe, giving you the best possible chance of creating school partnerships. ● The International School Fair ● A guided tour in the Landcommanderij Alden Biesen ● Guided tour in Maastricht and free time for shopping, etc. ● An example of a Comenius project from an experienced teacher ● Advice on how to fill in the application form
<p><u>Please bring with you</u></p>	<p>A small sample of food and/or drink, typical for your country for the aperitif or dessert at the “International School Fair” (don’t bring too much!).</p> <p>Information about your area and school:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pictures, maps, posters, postcards and leaflets ● Information on the educational system of your school ● Your national flag (if possible) <p>Tables and panels will be available to create your own stand at the “School Fair” You can also bring your laptop and a memory stick.</p>
<p><u>Costs</u></p>	<p>Those interested in participation should apply for a “Comenius Preparatory Visit” grant at their National Agency. This grant covers travel and participation costs. Only participants with such a grant will be accepted.</p> <p>The seminar fee for accommodation and meals will be 480 euro. The participants will be requested to pay the contact seminar fee before the start of the seminar to the organising National Agency (EPOS vzw — Europese Programma’s Voor Onderwijs, Opleiding en Samenwerking)</p>

<p><u>Conference Venue + accommodation</u></p> 	<p>Landcommanderij Alden Biesen Kasteelstraat 6 B 3740 Bilzen Belgium Tel.: ++ 32 (0)89/51 93 93 or 51 93 55 Fax: ++ 32 (0)89/41 70 33 e-mail: myriam.swinnen@cjsm.vlaanderen.be Web page: http://www.alden-biesen.be Participants can receive calls during meal times at: tel. nr ++32 (0)89 51 93 90</p>
<p><u>Travel arrangements</u></p>	<p>By train: http://www.b-rail.be/main/E/index.php</p> <p>At the Airport you can buy a ticket to Bilzen (via Leuven – change in Leuven station).</p> <p>All participants arriving at the station of Bilzen will be picked up by car (car shuttle at arrival time of trains)</p> <p>By car: you can reach Alden Biesen via motorway A13/E313 Antwerp – Liège (Antwerpen – Luik) – EXIT 31 Hoeselt/Bilzen.</p> <p>We expect you to arrive in Bilzen on Wednesday between 14.00 and 18.00.</p> <p>The seminar will end on Sunday morning. We will arrange a bus back to Brussels Airport at 9.00 a.m. You can expect to be at the airport at 10.30 a.m. so you can book a plane back from 12.00 a.m. onwards.</p>
<p><u>Working Language:</u></p>	<p>English</p>
<p><u>Information</u></p>	<p>Additional information can be obtained at:</p> <p>EPOS vzw - Comenius H. Consciencegebouw 6A K. Albert II-laan 15; 1210 Brussel Tel: ++32 (0)2/553.97.49 e-mail: isabel.laenen@epos-vlaanderen.be website: www.epos-vlaanderen.be</p> <p>Or at Alden Biesen, Renilde Knevels Tel: ++ 32 (0)89/51 93 52 - Fax: ++32 (0)89/41 70 33 e-mail: renilde.knevels@cjsm.vlaanderen.be website: http://www.alden-biesen.be</p>