

INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

12th Meeting of the North Sea Group and 20th Meeting of the Jastarnia Group

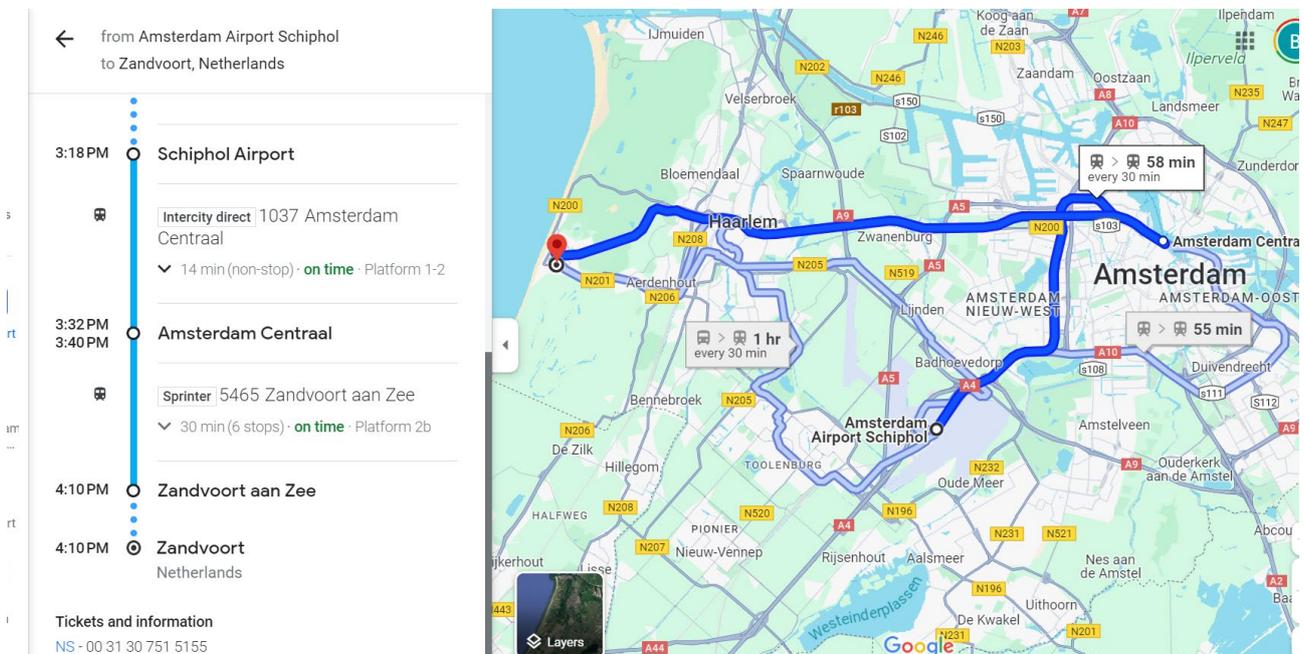
12-13 and 13-15 March 2024, Zandvoort, The Netherlands

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Getting to Zandvoort

Zandvoort has a train station, *Zandvoort aan Zee*, with half-hourly services to Haarlem and Amsterdam. Participants arriving at **Amsterdam Schiphol airport (AMS)** or **Amsterdam Central train station** can reach Zandvoort by train, taxi or bus. The best way to get to Zandvoort without a car is the train (going every 30 minutes) which takes about an hour and costs start from €8.70 one way (depending on the train you choose). Below, you can find an example travel. It is not necessary to buy a physical train ticket, since you can use your debit card or credit card to “check in” at the train station. For more information see the NS website: <https://www.ns.nl/en/customer-service/payment/ovpay.html>.



To plan your trip from the Airport or Amsterdam Centraal to Zandvoort, visit: <https://www.ns.nl/en>. Otherwise, there are metered taxis in the airport. Also, Uber service is available.

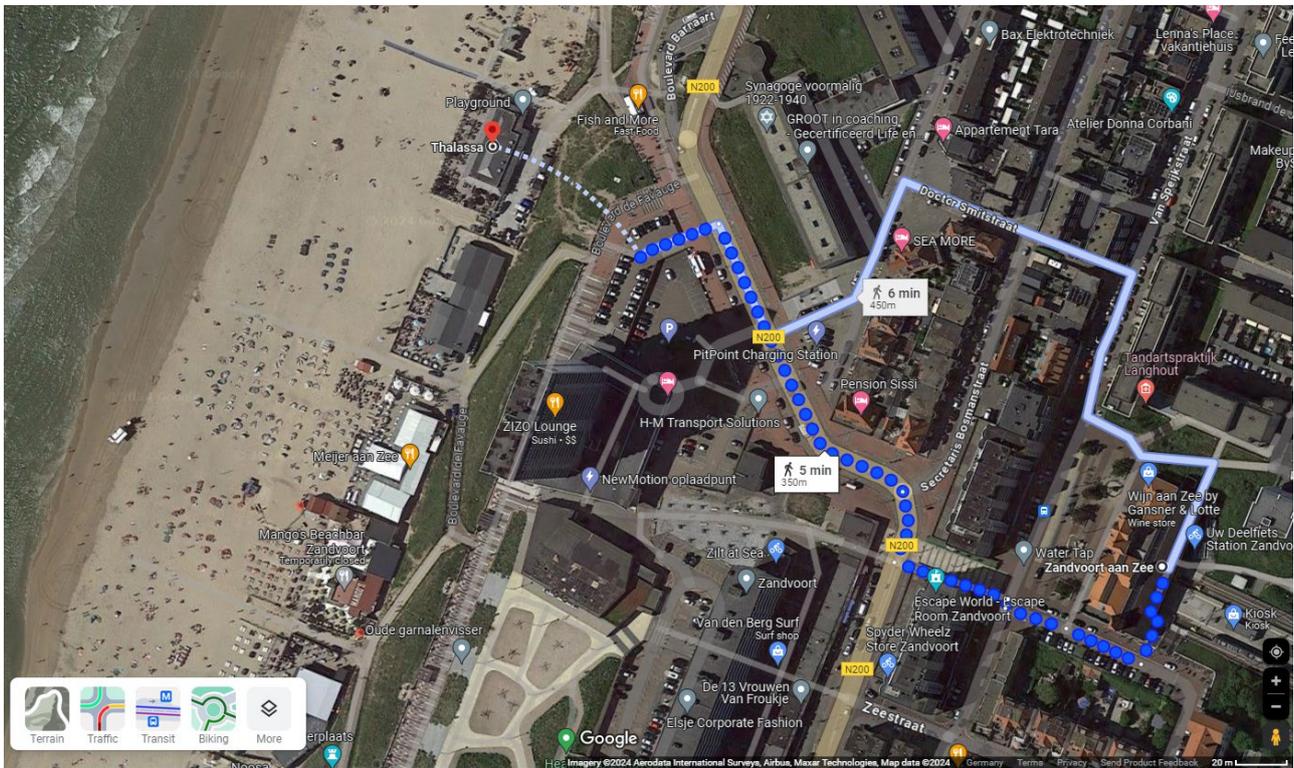
Important: Delegates must ensure their own medical and other insurance covers for the duration of the travel, including the meeting.

Meeting times

- 12th Meeting of the North Sea Group (NSG12): start at 09:00 CET on Tuesday 12 March, end at 18:00 CET on Wednesday 13 March.
- 20th Meeting of the Jastarnia Group (JG20): start at 14:00 on Wednesday 13 March, end at 13:00 on Friday 15 March.
- Joint session of the NSG and JG will be held on Wednesday 13 March from 14:00 to 18:00 CET.

Venue

The meeting will take place at **Thalassa Beach**, Boulevard Barnaart, Strandafgang 18, 2041 KB Zandvoort, <https://thalassabeach.nl/events/>. The meeting room will be signposted. The venue is a 5-minute walk from the train station Zandvoort aan Zee.



Registration

Registration is open online ([NSG12](#), [JG20](#)) until **11 February 2024**. Those who have registered online can sign in at the meeting venue to pick up their meeting badges at one of these times:

- Tuesday 12 March at 08:30-09:00 CET
- Wednesday 13 March at 13:30-14:00 CET
- Thursday 14 March at 08:30-09:00 CET.

Please wear the meeting badge throughout the duration of the meeting. The plastic pocket can be returned to the Secretariat staff at the end of the meeting.

Accommodation

Participants are to make their own hotel reservations. The following hotels are close to the venue in Zandvoort, or in Haarlem (12km from Zandvoort, 10-min trip in a commuter train).

Zandvoort

Range	Hotel	Approx. cost per night (booking.com rates*)
€60-100	Hofje van Maas	€ 67
	Hotel Paradis	€ 73
	Zand	€ 75
	Hotel NH Zandvoort	€ 77
	Palace hotel Zandvoort	€ 79
	Amsterdam Beachhotel Zandvoort	€ 85
	Hotel la Rosa	€ 86
	t Molentje	€ 88
	Amare	€ 92
	Beachhouse	€ 93
€100-200	Bell hotel	€ 107
	Margretha	€ 130
	Boutique hotel	€ 180

Haarlem

Range	Hotel	Approx. cost per night (booking.com rates*)
€80-100	Ibis Styles Haarlem City	€ 85
	The Niu Dairy	€ 91
	Hotel Ambassador City	€ 96
€100-200	Angegang Boutique Hotel	€ 101
	Ibis Styles Haarlem	€ 102
	Bed & Breakfast Hotel Malts	€ 105
	Carlton Square	€ 122
	Hotel Lion D'Or	€ 134
	Boutique hotel Staats	€ 139
	Boutique Hotel 't Vosje	€ 163
	Brass Hotel Suites	€ 172

*Checked in December 2023.

Other information

- The Netherlands' currency is the euro (€). Credit cards are accepted in hotels and in most restaurants, but not in every shop. Exchange rates: € 1 = SEK 11.37, PLN 4.40, GBP 0.86 (as at 14.01.2024).
- Useful numbers:
 - Emergency/fire 112
 - Police (non-emergency) 0900-8844
 - Crime report 0800-7000.
- For information about Zandvoort, please refer to <https://www.visitzandvoort.com/tourist-information>.