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STAFF WEEK

COLLABORATIVE PEDAGOGIES AND ENGAGEMENT WITH EXTERNAL STAKEHOLDERS

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CORE OBJECTIVES

The Staff Week on Collaborative Pedagogies and Engagement with External Stakeholders brings together academic and administrative staff from CIVIS universities to explore and co-design innovative teaching practices rooted in Challenge-Based Education (CBE). Over three days of interactive sessions and collaborative workshops, participants will reflect on their teaching practices, exchange experiences, and co-create approaches that integrate real-world challenges, civic engagement, and external partnerships into university curricula.

The program's objectives are to empower participants with practical tools and methodologies for developing collaborative and transdisciplinary learning experiences, strengthen inter-university cooperation around socially engaged education, and support the design of new CBE projects. By combining inspiration, co-creation, and planning, the Staff Week aims to build a shared community of practice and generate actionable outcomes—ranging from new course designs to a toolkit of collaborative pedagogical resources.

TO PREPARE BEFORE YOUR VENUE

- **Think of a teaching project idea** they would like to develop or transform during the workshops. This idea will serve as a foundation for the co-creation and design activities throughout the program.
- **Bring a postcard** – either a personal one or any other of their choice – to introduce themselves creatively during the first session. The postcard will be used as an icebreaker to get to know each other and share individual inspirations.

PROGRAM

Session 1 – Start!

Tuesday 2 December, 13h-17h, USquare

This introductory session will support participants to consider the key dimensions of designing and developing an academic course which involves collaborative pedagogical approaches and may involve working with external or non-academic partners. Participants will have the opportunity to share experiences, successes and challenges of using collaborative pedagogies, and through real life examples, begin to plan a programme for application in their academic context.

13-14h	Welcome - Who's who
14h-15h	Introduction to collaborative pedagogies
15h-16h	Citizen Science
16h – 17h	Community Study
17h-19h	Cocktail and wine testing with <i>Marie aime le vin!</i>

Session 2 – Inspire!
Wednesday 3 December, 9h-12h30, USquare

This interactive session aims to spark ideas and reflection among participants about teaching practices and collaborative learning. Through guided discussions and shared examples, participants will explore how to integrate creativity, inclusion, and engagement into their academic courses with external stakeholders. The session encourages exchanging experiences, identifying opportunities for collaboration, and envisioning practical strategies to enhance learning impact within their own educational contexts.

9h-10h	From teaching to facilitation (how to use theatre improvisation tools in class) Martin Ophoven (Solvay Business School, ULB).
10h-10h30	Teaching on urban projects with external stakeholders Pepijn Kennis (Urban Studies, VUB).
10h30-11h	Using Photography and Podcasts in Teaching Audrey Vandeleene (Political science, ULB)
11h-12h30	Teaching in a FabLab Denis Terwagne (Faculty of Science, ULB) and Julien Cabay (Faculty of Law, ULB).
12h30-14h	Lunch

Session 3 – Design!
Wednesday 3 December, 14h-17h, USquare

This collaborative workshop will help participants turn ideas from previous sessions into concrete course or project designs. Through group brainstorming, co-creation, and planning activities, participants will outline key elements such as learning objectives, partnership models, and implementation steps. By the end of the session, each group will have a clear, actionable framework for integrating collaborative pedagogies with external partners.

14h-15h	Brainstorm and decide
15h-16h	Design
16h – 17h	Plan

Session 4 – Valorise !
Thursday 4 December, 9h-12h30, USquare

Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL)

This final session will give participants the opportunity to explore the potential impacts of their collaborative pedagogical approach in a range of ways. By exploring methodological approaches to evidencing learning and participation in the classroom, participants will be supported to consider appropriate assessment approaches in relation to their developing course or programme. We will then spend some time exploring the impact of this evidence gathering on participants ongoing course development, and on how to communicate their experiences to the wider academic world.

9h-10h	Evidencing learning through collaborative pedagogies
10h-11h	Impact in the classroom
11h-12h	Telling the story of your collaborative classroom
12h-12h30	Collective feedback
12h30-14h	Farewell Lunch

Practical details

Location of the Staff Week (2-4/12/2025) : ULB USquare campus, Boulevard Général Jacques 210, door AC, 1050 Brussels. <https://maps.app.goo.gl/haYn3UpRk2J6Xn4CA>



Public Transport

You can find information about the urban public transport in this link: [Accueil - STIB](#)

From Brussels Airport Zaventem:

- **To Usquare Campus:** Direct train to Etterbeek Station
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/qgiZy7GaVcWniECs8>

From Brussels South Railway Station (Bruxelles Midi):

- **To Usquare Campus** : Metro lines 2/6 (direction 'Elisabeth, 3 stops) to 'Louise', then bus 95 (direction Wiener) and stop at 'Delporte' then walk 4 min

Wi-Fi Connection

Normally you can connect to Eduroam using your university's credentials. Non-university participants can create a Guest account to use Eduroam:

1. Go to <https://www.guestroam.be/> (Belnet GuestRoam interface);
2. Choose "Université libre de Bruxelles" for the "Institution you wish to visit";
3. Choose "ALL" for the "Department/Event you wish to visit". Add Marie Ugeux as "Contact person". You will receive the codes within a few minutes.

Hotel recommendations

Hotel Barsey by Warwick

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Thon Hotel Bristol Stephanie

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Ibis Hotel

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NH Stephanie Brussels

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Hotel Agenda

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