

Programme AIPRIL/CHANGE workshop

Changing work, changing incomes: Assessing the vulnerability of non-standard workers and self-employed

27-28 January 2026

Venue details:

The **welcome speech, keynote lecture** and **Session 1 on Day 1** will take place in building **s.M. 'De Meerminne'**, in the lecture hall **M.004** (ground floor). The entrance to the building is located at Sint-Jacobstraat 2, 2000 Antwerp.

All sessions thereafter (Sessions 2 to 4 on Day 1) and Day 2 of the **workshop** will take place in building **s.SJ. 'Het Brantijser'**. The entrance is located at the following address: Sint-Jacobsmarkt 13, 2000 Antwerp.

At the end of this programme, you can also find a map on which the exact location for both venues is indicated.

TUESDAY JANUARY 27, 2026

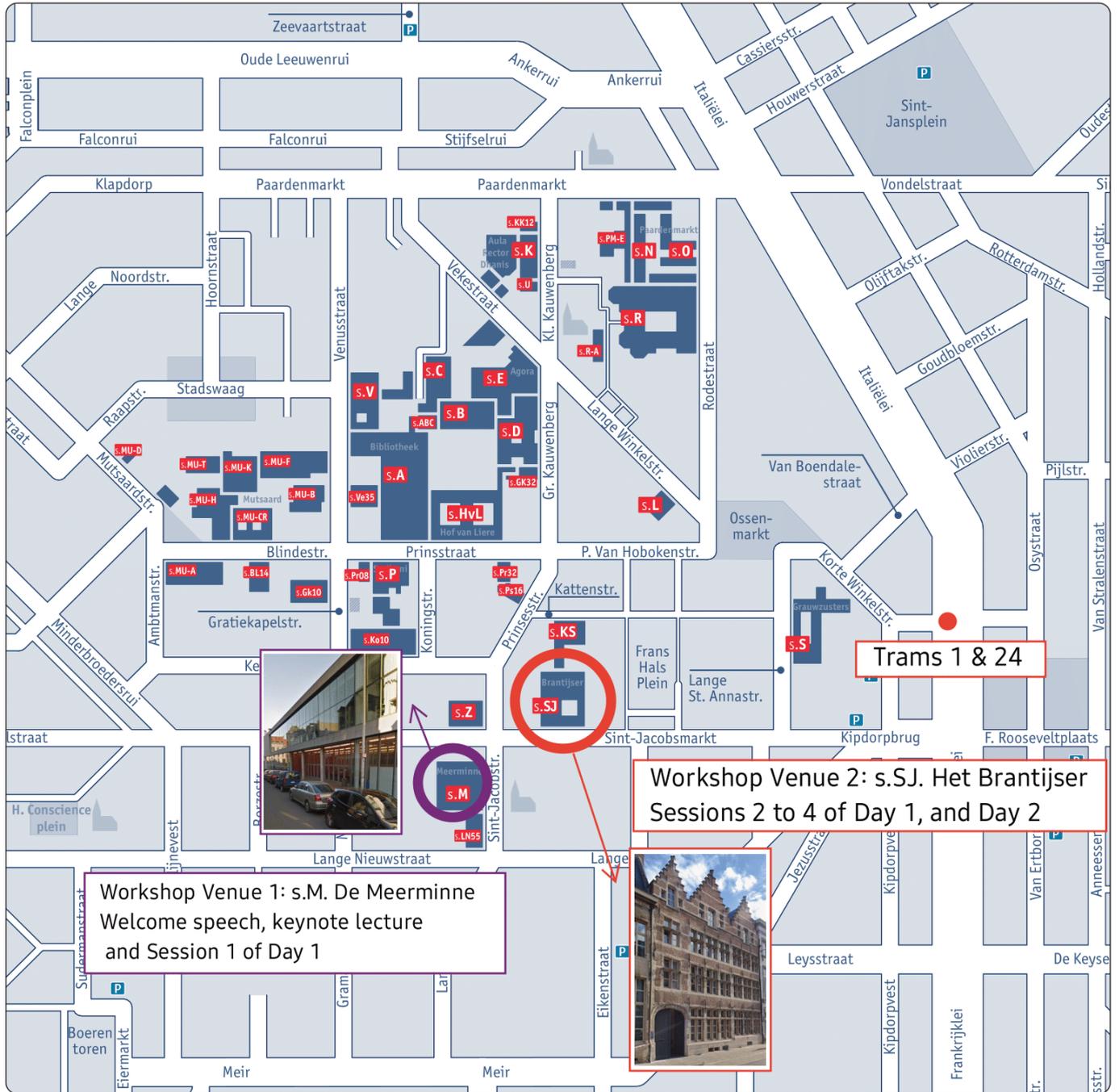
- 8:45 **Welcome** Sarah Marchal
- 9:00 **Keynote** Stephen Jenkins (London School of Economics) – *Earnings volatility and the design of social assistance*
- 10:00 **Session 1: Earnings instability in administrative data**
- Susanna Sten-Gahmberg and Aart-Jan Riekhoff (The Finnish Centre for Pensions) – *Labour supply of gig workers: A longitudinal study of gig work in Finland*
- Maisarah Wizan (University of Antwerp) – *Earnings volatility and dynamics: comparisons across migrants and natives in Belgium*
- Esmée Vanpoucke (University of Antwerp) – *Short-term earnings and income volatility by contract type, Belgium*
- 11:20 **Break**

- 11:50 **Session 2: Vulnerability among non-standard workers**
- Sjanne Marie van den Groenendaal and Ellen Peeters (Tilburg University and TIAS School for Business & Society) – *Our request is your command: The role of contract-inclusive HRM in aligning the needs of flexible healthcare employees and employers*
- Kilian Van Looy, Julie Maes, Jonas Wood and Karel Neels (University of Antwerp) – *Temporary agency work and the risk of precariousness: Early-career disparities between migrants’ descendants and ancestral natives in Flanders*
- 13:00 **Lunch**
- 14:15 **Session 3: Vulnerability among non-standard workers**
- Carlos Vacas Soriano and Dragos Adascalitei (Eurofound) – *Constrained choices: Involuntary non-standard employment in the European Union*
- Lien Steyaert (KU Leuven) - *Professional perspectives on self-employed financial risks*
- Valentina Franca (University of Ljubljana) – *Assessing extreme precarity: The intersectional vulnerability of women with disabilities in the Slovenian labour market*
- 15:45 **Break**
- 16:15 **Session 4: Legal challenges in social protection**
- Ninon Ramlot (Université Libre de Bruxelles) – *Bridging the gaps: Unemployment and incapacity for work benefits for non-standard workers in Belgium*
- Łucja Kobroń-Gąsiorowska and Anna Nieć-Mrzygłód (University of the National Education Commission, Krakow) – *Posting income, and dignity: The situation of mobile drivers in Poland in the context of non-standard forms of employment and regulatory inconsistencies*
- Juliette Gilman (Université Libre de Bruxelles) – *Part-time work and unemployment benefits in Belgium: A gendered question*
- 17:30 **Break**
- 19:00 **Dinner**

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 28, 2026

- 9:00 **Keynote** Wieteke Conen (University of Amsterdam) – *Understanding the quality and consequences of working multiple jobs*
- 10:00 **Session 5: Rethinking social protection for non-standard workers**
- Chiara Toscano and Fabiola Lamberti (Sapienza University of Rome and Roma Tre University) – *Labour protection and welfare architecture for non-standard workers in Italy*
- Maria-Cristina Degoli (University of Modena and Reggio Emilia) – *Pension adequacy in fragmented labour markets: Rethinking the insurance-based model in Italy*
- Szabó Csaba (Central European Academy) – *Disrupting the doctrine of dependence: A human rights analysis of institutional failure in European Social Protection for the gig economy*
- 11:20 **Break**
- 11:50 **Session 6: The role of the welfare state**
- Cato Desmyter (University of Antwerp) – *Poverty risks associated with unstable work patterns across European countries*
- Jeroen Horemans and Tine Hufkens (Federale Overheidsdienst Sociale Zekerheid) – *The role of social transfers in reducing the vulnerability among self-employed workers in Belgium: a micro-simulation analysis*
- 13:00 **Lunch**

Stadscampus



Workshop Venue 1: s.M. De Meerminne
Welcome speech, keynote lecture
and Session 1 of Day 1

Workshop Venue 2: s.SJ. Het Brantijser
Sessions 2 to 4 of Day 1, and Day 2

- s.A - **Library**, Prinsstraat 13
- s.B - Prinsstraat 13
- s.BL14 - **Open University / Centrum West** - Blindestraat 14
- s.C - Prinsstraat 13
- s.D - Grote Kauwenberg 18
- s.E - **Agora/Sports centre** - Grote Kauwenberg 2
- s.Gk10 - **International Relations Office** - Gratiekapelstraat 10
- s.GK32 - **Ruusbroec association** - Grote Kauwenberg 32-34
- s.HvL - **Hof van Liere** - Prinsstraat 13
- s.HvL - **University Club** - Prinsstraat 13b
- s.K - **Aula Rector Dhanis** - Kleine Kauwenberg 14
- s.KK12 - **Linguapolis** - Kleine Kauwenberg 12
- s.Ko10 - **komida / Labotheek** - Koningstraat 8
- s.KS - **Het Brantijser** - Kattenstraat 10
- s.L - Lange Winkelstraat 40-42
- s.M - **De Meerminne** - Sint-Jacobstraat 2

- s.MU - **Mutsaard** - Mutsaardstraat 29
- s.MU-A - **Mutsaard** - Ambtmanstraat 1
- s.N - **De Paardenmarkt** - Paardenmarkt 94
- s.O - **De Paardenmarkt** - Paardenmarkt 94
- s.P - **Scribani** - Prinsstraat 10
- s.Pr08 - **Linguapolis** - Prinsstraat 8
- s.Pr32 - **Zomaar een dak** - Prinsstraat 32
- s.PM - Paardenmarkt 92
- s.Ps16 - **Universitas - Rubi - Student Council** - Prinsesstraat 16
- s.R - Rodestraat 14
- s.R-A - **Annexe** - Lange Winkelstraat 9
- s.S - **Grauwusters** - Lange Sint-Annastraat 7
- s.SJ - **Het Brantijser** - Sint-Jacobsmarkt 13
- s.V - Venusstraat 23
- s.Ve35 - **Moral consultant / Prevention Service** - Venusstraat 35
- s.Z - **Peter Benoit** - Kipdorp 61



The venue can be easily reached by foot in 15 minutes from Antwerp Central Station.

The nearest accessible public transportation options are tram lines 1 and 24 (Stop: Roosevelt Italië), and subsequently 6 minutes by foot.