



CIF The Netherlands

Dear CIF friends,

We like to provide you some more information about the symposium CIF Netherlands is organizing for the 60 years anniversary of CIF. **Please send this out to all the members of your Branch, together with the registration form.**

As you already know, the theme is 60 years building bridges towards peace and understanding.

We will focus on the years after the second world war, especially the rebuilding and healing process in Rotterdam as a successful example, and how is dealt with the immigration that still takes place.

### **Program**

**Friday** we will focus on CIF itself, how it began and its development. How did CIF change over the years and specifically the developments in the last 10 years. We will have a panel discussion with some key people.

On **Saturday** morning, we have speakers about:

- Post war, rebuilding, changes
- Social work in Rotterdam in present day reality
- Polarization, changes in society, demographic changes.

On Saturday afternoon, we will have a bus tour and visit a project (Pauluskerk) for people without a visum, homeless, substance abusers and people without a job. We will also look at the modern architecture of Rotterdam and the harbors.

**Sunday** morning we will focus on

- practical interpretations and Focus on concrete examples
- initiatives to engage and strengthen different groups in society, inclusion, understanding, acceptance
- neighborhood-oriented work integrated into CIF NL program
- conclusions: Relationship with CIF values, how relevant are we in the present time.

The symposium ends with the lunch.

After lunch, it is possible to do a boat tour, or visit the city. CIF Netherlands will help you if needed, but will not organize it. This is also not included in the price of the Symposium.



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### **Price Symposium**

The price including a room for two nights, all meals and non alcoholic drinks from Friday registration through lunch Sunday afternoon is **€ 399** per person for a stay in a double room and **€ 499** for a stay in a single room.

We got some requests if it is possible to book the Symposium without the hotel. We have negotiated this with the hotel and we can offer the symposium without hotel and breakfast.

The price for only participation in the symposium (so without overnight stay and breakfast) will be **€ 259** euros per person.

We will not offer day prices or parts of the program, as we think we should celebrate the whole program together as in the spirit of CIF.

Everybody is welcome; there are no restrictions for participation in the Symposium. So family and non-members may accompany you. When the fee is paid, we can register them. The fee applies to everyone, as it is an all in price we negotiated.

### **Deadline**

We like to remind you that the deadline for registration is approaching: **March 1** 2020 we will need your registration and payment! On that date, we have to let the hotel know how many participants we expect.

Might you need a visa, please let us know as soon as possible if you need assistance from our site, like an invitation letter.

Please fill in the attached registration form and send it back to us on [info@cifnetherlands.nl](mailto:info@cifnetherlands.nl).

We are looking forward to meeting you on July 3 – 5!

On behalf of CIF Netherlands.

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