



The Belgium Greeters is an associative movement providing an alternative form of tourism. Its intention is to enable authentic meetings between visitors and inhabitants of Belgium's cities. It is based on the principle of mutual respect, with an emphasis on hospitality, accessibility and multicultural exchange. It fosters the discovery of Belgium, through the eyes, habits and knowledge of the inhabitants, who, for a few hours, become volunteer hosts.

Article 1. Greeters

The Greeters network is based on the work of volunteer hosts. Living in Belgium, they come from all backgrounds. Speaking different languages or not, they have a true passion for their city or region, which they have a strong desire to share through hospitable way.

Article 2. Visitors

All visitors to Belgium are catered for: whether alone, with a family or a group of friends, young or elderly, people of reduced mobility.... The number of visitors per greeting is however limited to six. What they have in common: the desire to discover Belgium through the eyes of its inhabitants, to exchange, to share and to live a personalized greeting.

They are responsible for their own expenses- for example drinks or travelling expenses in the city. Visitors should not give any remuneration or tips to the Greeter under any circumstances.

Article 3. Meetings

Meetings are booked via the website of the local network (example Brussels: www.brusselsgreeters.be) and take place off the beaten track. They are not guided tours such as tour of the city, museums or exhibitions. They last 2 to 4 hours maximum.

A timetable is established according to the request of the visitors and the availability of the Greeters, every day of the week (including weekends), from 8am until 10pm. The use of public transportation, bikes and walking is favoured.

Article 4. Greeters network

Greeters are volunteers but the Belgium Greeters organisation is a professional one under the umbrella of the activities of association *Tourisme autrement*. Subscriptions should be sent at least two weeks prior your arrival via the website www.greeters.be. Visitors are invited to fill in a questionnaire of satisfaction after their greeting. The network is not pursuing a commercial aim and is supported by public institutions and private sponsors. It is developed in harmony and collaboration with touristic operators.

All meetings are held under the full and entire responsibility of each participant: Greeters and visitors. With their subscription, the latter acknowledge they have read and accepted conditions of participation.

Under no circumstances can the association *Tourisme autrement* be considered responsible for any incident or accident. *Tourisme autrement* will not to disclose the address and telephone number or any other information about visitors and greeters without their consent.