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# 128<sup>th</sup> Member Meeting

## KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

The Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC) welcomes you to the 128th OGC Member Meeting, March 25-28, 2024, in the Netherlands at the [TU Delft Aula Conference Centre \(Building 20\)](#). To help you prepare, we've compiled this quick reference guide so you're ready for a successful in-person attendee experience. The [OGC website](#) is where you'll find *everything* about OGC, including events, education, and much more!

### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### Address

[TU Delft Aula Conference Centre \(Building 20\)](#)

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E: [Aula-CREFM-balie@tudelft.nl](mailto:Aula-CREFM-balie@tudelft.nl)

 Please refer to the [Campus Map](#) or [Google Maps](#)

Opening hours Monday till Friday 08.00 - 22.00h  Saturday & Sunday - CLOSED	<b>Wifi Access</b> Wi-Fi network (SSID): eduroam  Username and Password will be provided at registration.	The Aula Conference Centre building is entirely accessible.
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#### Agenda

See the agenda, featured speakers, and more on the [Member Meeting Event Page](#).

#### Attendee List

[See who will be attending](#) the 128th OGC Member Meeting on OGC Portal. (Note: Only available to OGC Members. If you are an OGC Member needing help with your portal access, please contact us at [registration@ogc.org](mailto:registration@ogc.org).)

#### Conference Registration and Badge Pick Up

Registration will be open daily, 30 minutes before the start of the first session, for badge pick-up and on-site registration. For those who have registered earlier, please collect your badges on-site. Please note that wearing badges all the time is mandatory for access to the event. For on-site registration, please check in at the registration desk for next steps.

#### Getting There

How do you get to Delft? The city is easily accessible by car and public transport. Schiphol Airport and Rotterdam Airport are also in easy reach. Discover how to get to the city easily and quickly by visiting [here](#) for more information.

#### Hotel Options

Click [here](#) for a complete list of available hotels near the conference venue. Keep in mind that rates may vary depending on availability. Please always be aware of your surroundings. Alcohol impairs judgment, so please be especially vigilant after consumption.





### LOCAL INFORMATION (Including Travel and Weather)

#### **Connectivity & Free Public Wi-Fi**

There is free WiFi in the four public squares in the center of Delft, and most hotels and other tourist attractions also have free WiFi.

#### **Currency & Banking**

The Netherlands is part of the European Union (EU). You have to pay in Euros in the Netherlands. Most shops and restaurants will accept credit cards and bank debit cards. There are plenty of ATMs where you can make cash withdrawals.

#### **Drinking Water**

In the Netherlands, tap water is so clean and high quality that you can drink it straight from the tap without worrying about quality or safety. You can also buy bottled water easily.

#### **Emergency Services**

**If you need urgent (medical) help or are in a life-threatening situation, call the national emergency number 112.** If you need help, but it is not an emergency, call 0900-8844 (the police switchboard). Hopefully, you will never need to contact the emergency services, but please enter both numbers on your telephone!

#### **Explore Delft**

For more information, please browse [Explore Delft](#), which will provide more details on See & Do, Festivals & Events, Eat & Drink, Shop, Stay, Tours, and more. The shops in the Netherlands and Delft usually open at 9.00 or 9.30 am and close at 5.30 or 6.00 pm. Monday is an exception: most shops in the center open at 1.00 pm on Mondays. Most supermarkets have longer opening hours, opening at 8.00 am and closing late in the evening.

#### **Getting Around Delft**

Delft is well connected with a range of public transport options. In Delft, buses, trams, and trains are easily accessible. For shorter trips within the city, the bus and tram provide a simple way to get around. Visit [here](#) for more information.

#### **Language**

In Delft, like everywhere else in the Netherlands, the local people speak Dutch. However, most Dutch people can speak English and will gladly help you. So feel free to ask a resident for directions if lost.

#### **Mobile Networks and Internet**

Anyone can access various providers' 4G mobile networks almost everywhere in the Netherlands. Roaming charges no longer exist for phone providers in the European Union. Please note: if you come from a country outside the EU, you will still have to pay roaming charges. If you want to avoid paying extra charges in a foreign country, switch your telephone to airplane mode or deactivate roaming. There is free WiFi in the four public squares in the center of Delft, and most hotels and other tourist attractions also have free WiFi.





### **Power Plugs**

The Netherlands uses a 230 Volt power supply with Type C/F plugs.

### **Time Zone and Summer Time**

The Netherlands and Delft are in the Central European time zone. The Netherlands also has summertime (or daylight saving time). At the end of March, the clocks go forward one hour, and at the end of October, the clocks go back one hour to standard Central European Time.

### **Tipping**

In the Netherlands, giving a small tip when you pay for lunch, drinks, or dinner is customary, but it isn't compulsory. If you are unsure how much you "ought" to tip, give around 10% of the total bill.

### **Travel Documents**

You will need a valid passport and proof of identity to visit the Netherlands. Carry proof of identity with you always in the Netherlands, as the law requires. It means that everyone aged 14 and over has to produce a valid identity document if asked to do so by the police.

### **Useful Numbers/Links**

- National Emergency Number 112. (If you need help, but it is not an emergency, then call 0900-8844-police switchboard)
- Flight Information: Visit the [Schipol Airport website](#).
- Tourist Hotline: For tourist advice, you can always contact the VVV Delft by email ([hello@delft.com](mailto:hello@delft.com)) or WhatsApp message (+31 (0) 6 213 30 633).

### **Weather**

In March, [Delft](#) typically experiences low temperatures and moderate rainfall. Throughout the day, temperatures typically settle at around 11°C. But by evening, they drop to around 4°C.

### **What to Pack**

Attire is business casual for the conference during the day. We recommend you dress in layers as temperatures in meeting rooms can vary. Some events may occur outside in the evening when the weather cools down, so be sure to bring appropriate clothing options.



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### NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES\*

Monday, March 25 | 6:30 - 8:30 pm

#### **Reception and Networking Session**

Location: [Vakwerkhuis](#)

Wednesday, March 27 | 7:00 - 10:00 pm

#### **Offsite Networking Dinner and Ground Transportation** (Separate fee required)

Location: 'Het Prinsenhof'

[Events | Museum Prinsenhof Delft \(prinsenhof-delft.nl\)](#)

Hosted by:



**\*Not sure who's new?** If you see a first-timer (easily spot other first-time attendees by the “specially-marked” stickers on their badges), say hello, sit by them in the sessions, and introduce them to some of your contacts! Not only will you help the first-timers, but you'll grow your network and likely make a great new friend!

### STAY CONNECTED BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER THE MEETING

- Have questions about the 128th OGC Member Meeting, please contact [OGC Registration](#).
- Chat on WhatsApp with TU Delft Staff +31 97010256278
- Join the **#OGCMM** conversation! Follow us on [LinkedIn](#), [Slack](#), [X](#), and [YouTube](#), and engage in discussions on our pages!
- Attend the June 17-21, 2024 - 129th OGC Member Meeting - Montreal, Canada
- Make plans now for the Fall 2024 130th OGC Member Meeting in Asia

### VIRTUAL ACCESS

#### **Virtual Platform is Available to All Who Register**

We highly recommend you experience the 128th OGC Member Meeting in person. If you cannot attend in person, you will have access to the meeting virtual platform when it opens on Monday, March 25, at 8:30 a.m. Time zone in Delft, Netherlands (GMT+1). Join via the Meeting Dashboard at <https://ogcmeet.org>. Bookmark it to ensure quick access.

