



## ***Sustainable & Accessible Urban Landscapes***

**The SAUL Partnership with the Mayor of Amsterdam,  
on behalf of SAUL Partner - The Municipality of Amsterdam,  
has pleasure in inviting you to join us for**

### **Vital Urban Landscapes *towards a new quality of life in city regions***

**The final conference of our transnational project will be held in**

**Amsterdam  
Tuesday 27 to Thursday 29 June 2006**



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## Draft Programme

Chair: Tracy Metz

### Tuesday 27 June: Opening day

**16.30 Welcome to Amsterdam at the Zuiderkerk**

**17.00 Introductory session including:**

- SAUL Video
- SAUL Final Report and Key Messages
- SAUL Project Exhibition

**19.00 Dinner on the northern bank of the IJ river**

### Wednesday 28 June: 'Seeing is Believing' Site visit day

**09.00 Introduction at the Westergasfabriek**

**10.00 Experiencing the SAUL Key Messages - Site visit 1**

**12.30 Lunch**

**14.00 Experiencing the SAUL Key Messages - Site visit 2**

**19.00 Dinner in the Western Wedge**



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## Draft Programme (continued)

**Thursday 29 June: Conference day**  
**Attended by the Mayor of Amsterdam Mr J Cohen**

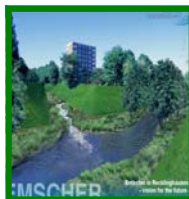
- 09.00 Plenary session with presentations at the Westergasfabriek:**
- The importance of a sustainable green living environment for social-economic competition;
  - An overview of approaches, challenges and possible solutions;
  - What solutions does SAUL offer?
- 12.00 Lunch at the Westergasfabriek including:**
- SAUL Project Exhibition
  - Opportunity to visit the Westerpark regeneration project
- 14.00 Plenary session focussing on Tomorrow's Europe:**
- Input from young citizens
- 16.00 End of Conference**

**Travel and Accommodation will be arranged and paid by the SAUL Partnership**

**Further details of the Conference Programme will be sent to delegates nearer the conference date**



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## Europe's New Urban Landscapes

Although the classic dichotomy of city and landscape no longer exists in most urban regions, the image of a clear separation of built-up areas and the natural environment still dominates our understanding of spatial planning. As urban landscapes no longer correspond to the images we have of the traditional European city, they are often neglected by spatial planning. But new urban landscapes are a fact *now*, and they are continuing to expand because more and more of our daily activities are taking place in these areas.

### The SAUL Project

The SAUL Partnership, a consortium of large metropolitan regions in North West Europe (London, Saarland, Frankfurt/Rhein-Main, Rhein-Ruhr, Luxembourg, and Amsterdam) has been working together for six years on a series of Interreg-funded projects. For the past three years the projects SAUL (*Sustainable & Accessible Urban Landscapes*) and SAUL Plus, with a combined budget of €22Million, have carried out a series of urban landscape projects ranging from large regional parks to local community engagement initiatives.

The project has made progress on issues of key significance to Europe's metropolitan regions. Working with the regional dimension and utilising the benefits of planning through partnerships, the SAUL partners recognised, and made use of, the challenges of New Urban Landscapes in transition. Engaging people and organisations were a key success in the 'learning region' approach.

In the context of New Urban Landscapes, the SAUL final conference will draw on the lessons learned throughout the project in developing liveable city regions for Europe's future economy.

*Further information on the project can be found on the SAUL website: [www.saulproject.net](http://www.saulproject.net)*



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