

Midterm Event in Middelburg

From Heat Islands to Cool Cities and Cool Neighbourhoods



12 March 2026

12:00 - 17:00

Stadsschouwburg
Middelburg, NL

Program of the day

Moderator of the day: Tako Popma

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch and poster exhibition

13:00 – 13:15 Welcome & opening

by Vice Mayor Middelburg: Jeroen Louws
(Environment and Sustainability)

13:15 – 13:30 Joint introduction

Why Cool Cities and Cool Neighbourhoods

13:30 – 13:50 Interreg's future of European cooperation

Why EU collaboration matters: insights from the Joint Secretariats of North-West Europe and the North Sea Region

13:50 - 14:20 Keynote: Tim van Hattum, Climate Expert and Writer

Why the climate and biodiversity crisis is urgent, and which solutions can truly make a difference.

14:20 – 14:40 Planning equitable Cool Networks

Identifying and prioritising project locations for urban heat adaptation. Stephanie Erwin, University of Applied Sciences Amsterdam

14:40 – 15:00 Empowering Communities Across Different Neighbourhood Typologies

Emma Westerduin, Except Integrated Sustainability

15:00 – 15:20 GreenDense pattern Atlas: from theory to practice in Bruges

Eva Gheselle, Hydrologist, City of Bruges

15:20 – 15:40

Q&A presentations

15:40 – 16:10

Coffee break

16:10 – 16:40 Keynote: Inge van Wijk, Landscape Designer at BoschSlabbers Landscape Architects

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