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Invitation to the 30th General Assembly-The Hague 19-21 November

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Dear SICI-members and colleagues,

On behalf of the Standing International Conference of Inspectorates (SICI) and the Dutch Inspectorate of Education, we are delighted to invite you to the **30th SICI General Assembly**, taking place in **The Hague, the Netherlands**, on **19, 20, and 21 November 2025**.

Registration

Please register using the link below. We kindly ask each member organisation to send **two representatives**—typically the **National Coordinator** and the **Chief Inspector** or Director. If this is not possible, you may designate representatives. If only one person can attend, please choose the session most relevant to your role.

As space is limited at the venue, we kindly ask you **not to exceed three participants (Chief inspector and one or two national coordinators) per organisation**. If you wish for more than three participants please contact International_Affairs_Inspectorate@owinsp.nl.

Please register before: 29 October 2025!

Link to registration tool: [Registration | SICI GA 2025](#)

Programme

Please find the draft programme for the event in the registration tool.

Wednesday

We will begin our cultural programme on **Wednesday, 19 November at 14:30**, at the **Ministry of Education, Culture and Science**, where you will be welcomed with drinks, snacks, and a short presentation about The Hague. From there, we'll take a 30-minute walk past some of the city's highlights to the **Mauritshuis Museum**, where you will enjoy a guided tour.

Please ensure that you have dropped off your luggage at your hotel before the start of the cultural programme, as luggage is not permitted inside the ministry for security reasons.

Thursday

On **Thursday**, the full-day programme will feature engaging presentations and workshops, including the presentation of **SICI's new Strategic Plan** and a panel discussion reflecting on **30 years of SICI**, featuring some of the first Executive Committee members.

We have curated a selection of themes to allow Chief Inspectors and Directors to exchange insights on national and regional approaches during the **theme tables for Chief Inspectors**. Meanwhile, **National Coordinators** will gather for their own session, which includes space for deeper discussions.

On **Thursday evening, ROC Mondriaan** (a VET school) will host us for a gourmet dinner prepared by talented student chefs in their stylish in-house restaurant—accompanied by performances from gifted student entertainers.

Friday

On **Friday morning**, the programme will open with the **STESSIE Multiplier Event**, including the final presentation of the TESSIE tool and outcomes of this in-depth project. This will be followed by an inspiring keynote speech by Professor Pedro Bruyckere. The event will close with the introduction of the new SICI **theme for 2026**.

Practical information

Venue

The Assembly will be held at [Spaansche Hof](#), a 20-minute walk from The Hague Central Station (or 3 minutes by tram, followed by a short walk). Direct trains run from **Schiphol Airport** (approx. 30 minutes), and there is also a convenient connection from **Rotterdam Airport** to The Hague centre (approx. 40 minutes). More information on public transportation will follow.

Accommodation

We recommend booking your hotel early, as The Hague is a popular tourist destination and accommodations fill up quickly. Several hotels are located near the venue:

- [Hotel Ibis Den Haag City Centre](#) (5 minutes walk)
- [Park Centraal Den Haag](#), Part of Sircle Collection (7 minutes walk)
- [Hotel Indigo The Hague](#), IHG Hotel (10 minutes walk)
- [Boutique Hotel First City](#) (17 minutes walk)

Brochure about the highlights of The Hague

The registration tool also includes a brochure with some of The Hague's highlights—many of which are featured in the programme. If you have extra time in the city, the brochure contains suggestions for activities, as well as practical information on public transport and weather.

All the information in this letter can also be found in the registration tool.

We look forward to warmly welcoming you to **The Hague** in November!

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of several overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Alida Oppers
Inspector General (Chief inspector) of The Dutch Inspectorate of Education