



"Vingt années sous la Manche, et au-delà"  
"Twenty years under the Channel, and beyond"

## Twenty Years under the Channel, and beyond: Accessible Regions, Growing Regions?

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Régions accessibles, régions en croissance ?***

### Third International Conference

to be held in Canterbury, Cathedral Lodge,  
To celebrate the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the intergovernmental Treaty of Canterbury

Wednesday, 16 March 2016, 10:30-17:30

*Troisième colloque international*

*accueilli à Cantorbéry, « Cathedral Lodge »*

*À l'occasion de la célébration du Trentième anniversaire du Traité intergouvernemental de Cantorbéry*

Mercredi 16 mars 2016 de 10 h 30 à 17 h 30

Is transportation infrastructure a condition for economic growth and development? Few assertions have been more controversial, continually creating vivid economic policy debates. **Rails et Histoire** dedicates the 3<sup>rd</sup> international conference of a series of five in its research programme **Twenty years under the Channel, and beyond**, to **Accessible Regions, Growing Regions?** on 16 March 2016 in Canterbury. Further to the 1<sup>st</sup> conference, **New Aspects of Transport Geography and Economics** held on 19 March 2015 in Lille, it aims to assess the impact of the Cross-Channel rail system on the regions both brought together and crossed by the Channel Tunnel and its high-speed railway network, giving prospective consideration to its further expansion into larger areas along with additional services. This event celebrates the **30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Treaty of Canterbury**, signed in the presence of Margaret Thatcher and Francois Mitterrand on 12 February 1986, inaugurating the Channel Tunnel project.

Les infrastructures de transport sont-elles une condition du développement économique des territoires ? Leur pouvoir structurant continue de susciter des débats animés. **Régions accessibles, régions en croissance ?, 3<sup>e</sup> colloque international inscrit au Programme Vingt années sous la Manche, et au-delà**, qui fait suite à **Nouveaux visages de la géographie et de l'économie des transports**, 1<sup>er</sup> colloque réuni à Lille le 19 mars 2015, doit qualifier et évaluer les effets du système ferroviaire transmanche sur les régions qu'il relie et traverse depuis vingt ans et réfléchir à leur extension à de nouveaux territoires avec le développement des dessertes. Cet événement s'inscrit dans la célébration du **30<sup>e</sup> anniversaire du Traité de Cantorbéry**, signé le 12 février 1986 en présence de Margaret Thatcher et de François Mitterrand, qui a permis la construction du Tunnel sous la Manche.

# Twenty Years under the Channel, and beyond: Accessible Regions, Growing Regions? *Vingt années sous la Manche, et au-delà : Régions accessibles, régions en croissance ?*

## PROGRAMME

10:30/10 h 30 Registration and Welcome / Accueil des participants

11:00/11 h Welcome Speech/Allocution d'ouverture

Professor Philippe DE WILDE, Pro Vice Chancellor for research and innovation, University of Kent

11:15/11 h 15 Keynote Speech / Introduction au colloque

Seán HOLDEN, Deputy Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Kent County Council

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11:30/11 h 30 Session 1: Regional Impacts and Economic Growth: An International Comparison

Première séance : les effets de la liaison ferroviaire transmanche sur le développement économique régional : une comparaison internationale

Chair/Sous la présidence de : Professor Roger VICKERMAN, Dean for Europe and Professor of European Economics at the University of Kent, Member of the Scientific Board of Advisers for the Programme **Twenty years under the Channel, and beyond** and member of the steering Committee for the Canterbury conference

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● Professor John PRESTON, Professor of Rail Transport, University of Southampton

*The Channel Tunnel Rail Link in the UK: What have been the impacts on economic development?*

● Dr Odile HEDDEBAUT, Researcher, IFSTTAR, France, and Dr Jean-Marie ERNECQ, Deputy Chairman of the Forum of the European Metropolis Lille-Kortrijk-Tournai, Former Chief Executive of the Regional Council Nord-Pas de Calais

*Does the “tunnel effect” still remains in 2016?*

● Professeur Yves CROZET, professeur à l'Université de Lyon, L.E.T., France

*Regional Impacts of Cross-Channel Rail System in France: Accessibility is not enough*

13:00/13 h Discussion and Chair conclusion

13:15/13 h 15 Buffet Lunch (upon registration) / Buffet (sur inscription)

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14:00/14 h Session 2: Accessibility and Economic Impacts beyond the Channel Tunnel

Deuxième séance : l'accessibilité des territoires et ses effets économiques au-delà du Tunnel sous la Manche

Chair/Sous la présidence de : Monsieur le Professeur Yves CROZET, professeur à l'Université de Lyon, L.E.T.

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● Professor Roger VICKERMAN, Dean for Europe and Professor of European Economics at the University of Kent, United Kingdom

*Wider economic impacts: what evidence from 20 years of the Channel Tunnel?*

● Dr Ricard ANGUERA CAMÓS, Senior Manager, ALG-INDRA, Spain

*The Channel Tunnel – An update to the Cost benefit Analysis after 20 years*

● Stephen GASCHE, Principal Transport Planner – Rail, Kent County Council, United Kingdom

*The development of improved and seamless cross-border services*

● EUROTUNNEL

*An industry case study (tbc/sous réserve de confirmation)*

● Alain-Henri BERTRAND, Grand Témoin, former Deputy Director General, Eurotunnel

16:30/16 h 30 Discussion and Chair conclusion

17:00/17 h Visit of the Chapter House, place of signature of the **Treaty of Canterbury (upon registration)**

17:30/17 h 30 Choral Evensong at the Cathedral (open to all)

18:15/18 h 15 End of conference / Fin du colloque

## General Information / Informations pratiques

### ● Registration through our website / Inscription sur notre site Internet

Registration is free on a first come-first served basis but **must** be arranged in advance: [www.ahicf.com](http://www.ahicf.com)  
Entrée gratuite dans la limite des places disponibles, **inscription obligatoire** : [www.ahicf.com](http://www.ahicf.com)

### ● Contact

Contact for the conference and for the 'Twenty years under the Channel, and beyond' Programme:

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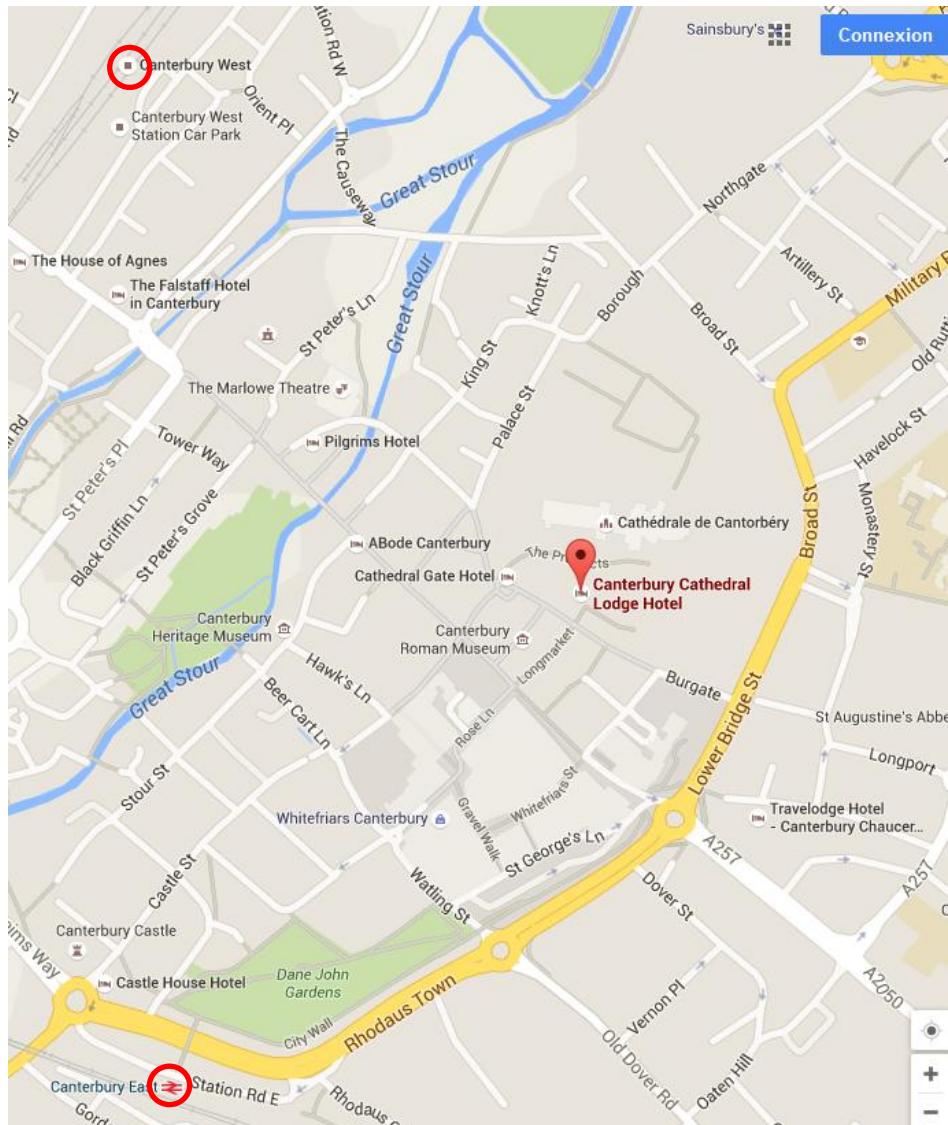
### ● Conference venue / Lieu du colloque

Canterbury Cathedral Lodge Hotel

The Precincts, Canterbury, Kent CT1 2EH, United Kingdom

**By car/En voiture :** To drive to Canterbury Cathedral Lodge, enter 'Burgate, Canterbury' in your Sat Nav (not the hotel postcode) then follow map and parking directions **HERE** <https://www.canterburycathedrallodge.org/contact/>

**By train/ Par le train :** Canterbury Cathedral Lodge is located a 10 minute walk from both **Canterbury West** and **Canterbury East** train stations. Download directions **HERE** <https://www.canterburycathedrallodge.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/12/Directions-from-Train-Station-to-Cathedral-Lodge-walking.pdf>





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