



This year's main EAA event was Euronoise 2015, the 10th European Congress and Exposition on Noise Control Engineering. It was held from May 31st to June 3rd in Maastricht, the heart of Europe where the first treaties leading to the creation of the European Union were signed. Acousticians and noise experts from all over the Europe and beyond gather for this event on noise control, and soundscape in Europe, organised by the Belgian and Dutch acoustical societies, ABAV and NAG, on behalf of the European Acoustics Association.

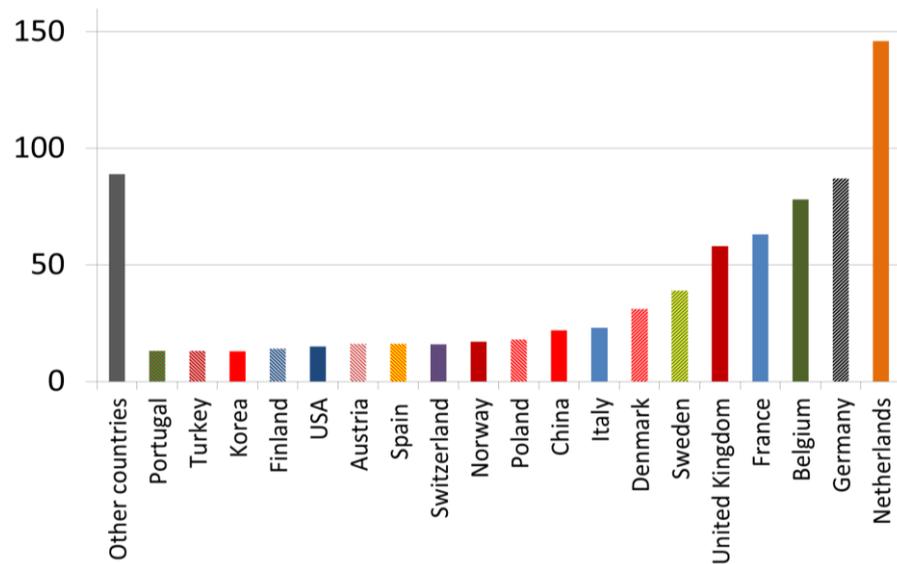


There were many activities in those 3 fully packed congress days. The main highlights were 4 plenary lectures given by Prof. Dr. Karin Bijsterveld, Prof. Dr. Wim Desmet, Prof. Dr. Steven van de Par and Dr. Jens Holger Rindel.



The plenary lectures were accompanied by 465 oral presentations and 28 posters in 69 structured sessions, 8 in parallel in order to fit all presentations in 3 days. To show the variety of topics in acoustics present at the conference, I will mention here only a few sessions with

most presentations: sound transmission and insulation in buildings, room acoustics (general), health effects of noise, tyre/road noise, railway noise and vibration, acoustic materials, soundscape and quality of life... In total 787 persons have registered for the conference at the MECC, the congress venue. The organizer counted between 600 and 650 participants per day. It is no surprise that most visitors came from Netherlands and the nearest neighbouring countries, Germany, Belgium, France, United Kingdom, but there was also a noticeable presence from many other countries from Europe and other continents.



As part of the event, a well visited exhibition was organized where 28 companies from the field of acoustics showed their latest products and services. Connected to the congress were also two event organized by the YAN for Young Acousticians, a demonstration of an artistic sound installation as well as a presentation on interdisciplinary acoustics.



Some other satellite events were held during the congress, such as the workshop: "European noise policy: where do we go?" supported by the European Commission DG Environment, a Eurocities noise working group meeting, a meeting of interest group of traffic noise abatement (IGNA), as well as the TANGO: Tutorials on Thermoacoustics, Aeroacoustics and Orifice Structures. More information from the conference and some nice photos can be found [here](#).

Finally, many thanks to the organizing committee of Euronoise 2015 for this great event, in particular to the conference chairs Dr. ir. Ysbrand Wijnant and Prof. Dr. ir. Dick Botteldooren.

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