PERSONAL ERASMUS REPORT

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Home University : Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz Universität Hannover/Germany

Host University : KU Leuven University

The application: For every study abroad it is normal, to apply in advance. The application process depends on the university, where you want to go. The application for the KU Leuven University was not difficult. Everything is explained on the homepage for Erasmus students of the international Office clearly.

House-hunting: There are many possible ways of house-hunting in Brussels. You can use Facebook for it. There are some public groups on facebook for house-hunting. In these groups a lot of people write down, when a room or a flat is free. Another option is, to come to Brussels without having any flat or room and search then there for a room. And maybe you get to know other Erasmus people, which are also still looking for some place. I was very lucky in this issue because I had friends in Brussels earlier and they shared their flat, which is very close to the university, with me.

Studies at the KU Leuven University: All my classes in IT-ICT law advanced master program were held between 18.00-21.00. Because of this reason, we had so much time during the day to discover the city and after the classes to spend time with our friends. Lecturers were so helpful and very qualified on their areas. Their English knowledge was also very good. The support of the lecturers and the coordinator of the program were so great. Especially they were very helpful in the issue of visa thing for us who are coming from outside of the EU.

Erasmus Life in Brussels: It was for me the first time being in Brussels and Belgium. But I had really good times in this city. It is really amazing walking through the streets, everywhere
are old 3 buildings and everywhere is something to see. For me the food prices were quiet the same like in Germany and also fashion was the same or sometimes a little bit more expensive. All over Brussels have a lot of magnificent chocolate and waffle shops. There are also a lot of touristic attraction points. Apart from that, you can easily visit Brugge (Venice of the North) from Brussels paying low fee.

**My conclusion:** This semester I will never regret. I can say now at the end, that Brussels was the best choice I could have made. Brussels has a perfect size, not to big and not to small. But not just the city, also the people of my Erasmus group were amazing. It is a very big chance to get to know people from a lot of different countries from all over the world and make friends for a life. A special thanks to all the people, which make this possible!!!