

# What we learned at Devovx



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# What is Devoxx?

- European conference focused on Java, Android, Groovy, HTML5, Scala, and more (start: 2001)
- biggest vendor-independent Java conference
- 2014: 3500 attendees from 40+ countries, 200 speakers, 4.5 days
- venue is a huge cinema complex in Antwerpen
- Devoxx branches in the UK, France, and Poland
- talks are available online: [parleys.com](http://parleys.com), from Devoxx and many other conferences
- online courses have also been added this year

# Great learning resources!



# Some examples of topics

- University (2 days, 3 hour sessions)
  - Java 8 streams & collectors
  - effective Scala
  - Docker
- Conference (2.5 days, 1 hour sessions)
  - 50 new things we can do with Java 8
  - modern web architecture
  - Groovy in the light of Java 8
  - what's new with Android Lollipop (5.0)
  - busy Java developer's guide to Swift
- Movie: Interstellar!

# Summary

- Feedback Ward: interesting, sometimes a bit much
- Great conference: good speakers, interesting topics
- Experienced organization, friendly staff
- Very nice venue
- Conveniently close to the Netherlands