

# **Call for Participation**

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### **About Fri3d Camp**

Fri3d Camp (<a href="www.fri3d.be">www.fri3d.be</a>) gathers people with a broad spectrum of interests and provides a breeding ground for learning from each other. During **three days** (and nights) many **technology and science related activities** make their appearance. At Fri3d Camp we live by the motto of the hacker and maker culture: "Be excellent to each other".

What differentiates Fri3d camp from other hacker and maker events, is the focus on **families**. The program offers a wide variety of activities, accessible to all ages and levels of expertise. **Parents and children** work **together**, uncovering the unknown and learning from **experts** from the **rich Belgian hacker and maker scene**.

The **third edition** of Fri3d Camp will take place from **Saturday 18 until Monday August 20 2018** at a new location: **De Kluis** in **Sint-Joris-Weert**, close to **Leuven**. The maximum amount of participants will be doubled again, from 256 in 2016 to **512** in 2018. Besides camping grounds, the new location offers several buildings where **workshops** and **talks** will take place. Once again, the **Knutselba(a)r** will offer a central spot for activities targeting youngsters.

In 2018, Fri3d Camp gets a **theme**: **Robots**! The **champion** of this theme is nobody less than **Jan De Coster** (<u>www.jandecoster.com</u>), well known for his large family of robots, each with their own personality. Robots appeal to the imagination and will be very present at Fri3d Camp 2018.

During this third edition, a **Belgian Hackerspaces Track** will be hosted. Belgium is home to a rich hacker and maker scene; simply count the number hacker and makerspaces of excellent quality around our country! During the months to come our **Fri3d Content Roadshow** team will visit those spaces, to put together this Belgian Hackerspaces Track, in close collaboration with the hackerspaces themselves. At Fri3d Camp, we want to put the local hacker and maker community in the spotlight, and give all Fri3d participants the opportunity to meet the people and the ideas onto which these initiatives are built.

The best way to experience Fri3d Camp is by organising **your own activities**. We therefore invite everyone to submit proposals. We're looking for you: hackers, makers, artists, crafters, scientists, engineers, parents and children. We're looking for people who want to talk about their passion: electronics, drones, LEGO, 3D scanning and printing, Internet of Things, radio waves, craft, security, graphic design, programming, music, brewing beer, fimo art ... and a whole lot more.

## **Participate**

Fri3d Camp is essentially **constructed by all participants together**. The organising team provides an inspiring environment that supports exploration and discovery of new horizons and jointly learning new things, during the three days of camp.

If you want to contribute to Fri3d Camp and **present** your passion, host a **workshop** sharing your expertise with others, set up an **artistic installation**, organise **forest games** or maybe you have **something else** in mind? Reach out and answer our call for participation!

This edition's theme is **Robots**, we hope to welcome them in **large numbers and many different shapes**. Besides robots, Fri3d very much welcomes other topics too, as illustrated by the previous editions!

A special call goes out to the **children**. For them, and especially **by them**, a **specific program** is constructed. On your own, or together with mom and/or dad, we are really looking forward to your submissions! The **Knutselba(a)r** is at your service once again, this time even prettier and more fun.

Want to put a spotlight on **your hacker or makerspace**? Make sure to mention this when submitting your proposal. In the months to come we will be glad to pass by your space and brainstorm how we can shape the **Belgian Hackerspace Track** at Fri3d Camp.

In order to submit your proposal visit:

#### www.fri3d.be/invitation

Let's double the fun and all the unforgettable activities at Fri3d Camp 2018!

**IMPORTANT**: The **deadline** to answer this call is **February 28 2018**. On May 1 we will announce the selected activities.

Selected speakers and workshop hosts will also get a **discount** on their admission ticket for the day of their activity, and **are sure to be able to order tickets** for their accompanying family members.

In case you have any questions regarding this call for participation, don't hesitate to contact Team Content (content@fri3d.be).

### Thank you

Fri3d Camp is for you, but mostly thanks to you. So **a big thank you** goes out to you, for once again making this event a wonderful experience.

In case you yourself can't answer our call, then **maybe you know someone** who would really fit the bill. Spread this invitation to anyone you know, who might be interested, any way possible, on- and offline.

Be excellent to each other!