





The **Cruise Terminal** will be the venue for the EGOS 2014 Dinner & Party! With an amazing view over the water on the skyline of Rotterdam and the Erasmus bridge, we believe that the Cruise Terminal will be the perfect location for a nice 'walking' diner and a great party afterwards.

The Cruise Terminal was originally built as arrival and departure terminal of the Holland America Line and is now part of Rotterdam's industrial heritage. It is situated at the Wilheminakade. From 1873 until the 1970's, Rotterdam's Wilhelminakade was the thriving hub of the Holland America Line (HAL).



Steamships whose names were familiar to all, such as the 'Rotterdam', the 'Nieuw Amsterdam' and the 'Statendam', carried hundreds of thousands of passengers from Rotterdam to New York. At the time the company headquarters were situated at the site of the present hotel New York, and the current Cruise Terminal Rotterdam (architects Bakema en Van de Broek) was the passenger terminal for both arrivals and departures.

Shortly after 1970, Rotterdam was no longer a port for the passenger trade. However, nowadays the spacious building on the banks of the river Maas, defined by the distinctive, six-arched roof and 120 meter long glass facade, is proud to receive cruise ships again. However, the Terminal is now mainly known for its cafe/restaurant located inside with a hall of 3,800 m².