



**Gandhi Jayanti 2016**

**Antwerp Provincial Building  
Parkhuis**

## **Statue of Mahatma Gandhi**

Sunday October 2 at 11:00 a.m.

**Opening of Ceremonies: Songs of Praise and Prayers** by the Ladies of the Antwerp Indian Community

**Welcome by Madame Governor Cathy Berx** : Gandhi Address

**Words of Welcome and sharing by His Excellency Shri Manjeev Singh Puri, Ambassador of India to Belgium, Grand Duchy of Luxembourg and the European Union**

Presentation of Garland and Flowers on behalf of the Province of Antwerp by Mrs. Governor and on behalf of the Indian Embassy by His Excellency the Ambassador of India

**Mr Bart De Wever, Burgomaster of Antwerp** will deliver his Gandhi address and presentation of Flower arrangement on behalf of the City of Antwerp.

Academic presentation by **Professor Idesbald Godeeris , Professor at the Catholic University of Leuven** , “Mahatma Gandhi in World History.”

**Mr Mehul Kothari , Chairman of the Antwerp Indian Association**, will say a few words on behalf of the Indian Community of Antwerp.

Followed by the **presentations of garlands** by

The representative of the Dean of the Consular Corps of Antwerp,

Mr Mehul Kothari, Chairman AIA,

Marc A.Huybrechts, H.Consul General of India in Antwerp with the assistance of Mr. Hiren Shah, member of the Consular Task Force.

**Close of the Gandhi Jayanti ceremony** by singing the

**National Anthem**; please all rise and join in!

**A variety of Refreshments** will be served after the ceremony to which all participants are kindly are invited.

We thank the Board of the AIA for their generous and active support.

Marc A Huybrechts  
Honorary Consul General of India  
Antwerp October 2, 2016