

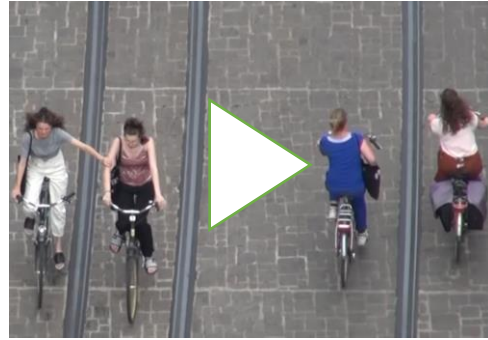
Ghent, the city hall



Nowadays our schizophrenic city hall has two parts, making it a fascinating sight in political Ghent. The façade on the Hoogpoort side shows you the flamboyant Late Gothic style that dates from the early 16th century. This style is in sharp contrast to the Renaissance style on the Botermarkt side. In this later wing (1559 -1618), you will see three-quarter Doric, Ionic and Corinthian columns and pilasters inspired by Italian palazzi.

- ✦ What does your city hall look like?
- ✦ Can you sketch it for us?

Ghent, the city council



- ✧ Describe how your city council works.
- ✧ Was this also the case in the Middle Ages?