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Editorial

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

If you intend to attend ICOHTEC's 40th Symposium in Manchester (22 – 28 July 2013) there is still an opportunity to give a paper: the deadline for paper proposals of the 24th International Congress of History of Science, Technology and Medicine was extended to **30 November 2012**. Please find an online submissions form on

<http://ichstm2013.com/call/>.

The editor of our reviewed journal *ICON* would still welcome article submissions for *ICON*'s Barcelona issue. Contributions can be based on papers given at Barcelona, but not necessarily.

This issue of the ICOHTEC Newsletter has a modernised typography. I hope you will enjoy it. Combined with the new typo, I want to switch the date of publishing to the beginning of a month instead of its end. Thus this newsletter is a double issue October / November; the next issue will be published in the first days of December.

Best wishes
Stefan Poser

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I. ICOHTEC

Nominations Are Opened for 2013 Elections

In May/June of 2013, ICOHTEC will hold on-line elections for all its Officers as well as for seats on the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee as a whole acts as the Nominating Committee, with the President acting as the committee chairperson. All paid-up members of ICOHTEC are eligible to run for any office. We encourage members to offer names to be put forward by the Nominating Committee for any office, and self-nomination is encouraged. Simply contact any current member of the Executive Committee or the President to put names into consideration.

If you are uncertain of the work certain offices entail, you are encouraged to contact the current occupant of that office, the Secretary General or the President. You might also find it useful to look at the ICOHTEC Organizational Chart adopted at the General Assembly in Barcelona (see, p. 23, of the July 2012 Newsletter).

You may submit names to the Nominating Committee by March 2013, after which time, the Nominating Committee will decide which names will be formally nominated and appear on the election ballot in May/June.

James Williams

II. Conference Announcements

9 – 10 November 2012

The Power of the Tides, 1194-2012. Eight Centuries of Tidal Power, 8th Tide Mill Conference

Tide Mill Institute, Bath, ME

Please find the program on <http://shotnews.net/?cat=6>

Please contact: Earl Taylor, Ermwwt@aol.com and Bud Warren, budw@myfairpoint.net

14 – 15 November 2012

**Riskante Technologien. Wahrnehmung und Regulierung in der Hochmoderne /
Technologies at Risk. Perception and Regulation of Technology in Modernity**
Dresden

Organiser: Thomas Hänseroth / Uwe Fraunholz / Detlev Fritsche / Martin Schwarz /
Sylvia Wölfel / Anke Woschech, SFB 804 „Transzendenz und Gemeinsinn“.

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14 – 16 November 2012

**Economic Entanglements in East-Central Europe and the COMECON's Position in
the Global Economy (1949-1991)**

Leipzig

The involvement of further parts of East-Central Europe in the soviet sphere of influence in the wake of WWII had far-reaching consequences for the economic relations both between East-Central European countries themselves and between the region and other parts of the world. The Council for Mutual Economic Assistance (CMEA/ COMECON), founded in 1949, marked for four decades socialist countries' space of action both in an economic and geographical sense. Since its dissolution more than 20 years ago the CMEA became a research object in various branches of economic history. The historicisation of research on the CMEA and the progressive opening of new sources created novel perspectives and questions. It therefore deserves consideration that, although the CMEA eventually proved to be a failed effort for a supranational coordination of national planned economies, it was never simply reducible to a free trade zone. Indeed, it initiated and coordinated joint projects in large economic and infrastructural areas. Hence studying the range of bottom-up attempts at cooperation and integration offers new insights in the system and operation of command central planned economies. Despite efforts at autarky both on the level of individual nations and the bloc at large, contacts with neutral and non-aligned states played an important role in CMEA countries' foreign trade relations as early as in the 1950s and 1960s. Changing global economic conditions in the 1970s brought about a revision of economic and political strategies in which relations with the "First" and "Third World" earned ever more significance.

Organiser: research group "East Central Europe Transnational" at the Centre for the History and Culture of East Central Europe (GWZO) at the University of Leipzig / Fachkommission Wirtschafts- und Sozialwissenschaften im J.G. Herder-

Forschungsrat / Centre for Interdisciplinary Polish Studies at the European University Viadrina Frankfurt/Oder (ZiP)

Please visit: <http://hsozkult.geschichte.hu-berlin.de/termine/id=20270>

29 November 2012

Control – Selbstbestimmung in einer überwachten Welt? / Self-Determination in a World Characterised by Control?

Museum für Kommunikation, Frankfurt/M., Germany

Please contact Philipp Aumann, Museum für Kommunikation Frankfurt,

p.aumann@mspt.de

23 – 25 January 2013

Knowledge Production about Planet Earth and the Global Environment as Indicators of Social Change

Oeschger-Zentrum für Klimaforschung, Bern

The Oeschger Centre for Climate Change Research of the University of Bern, the Institute of History of the University of Bern and the History Department of the University of Zurich are organising a conference to bring together historians of the earth sciences and environmental historians. It aims to explore the social, cultural and political changes induced by earth scientists and the knowledge and institutions they have created over the last two centuries.

Scope of the Conference

The conference will look at the issue of social change through the lens of earth matters. What do we learn about societies, their norms and collective mentalities by analysing how people dealt with planet earth, its history, climate, surface patterns, or the mechanisms underlying its dynamic structure? Topics of the precirculated papers include, for instance, the debate on desertification in the 19th century, the idea of deep time for social thinking about the future or the history of Arctic research. Each paper presentation will be followed by 20 minutes of comment and discussion. Invited speakers are Erhard Oeser (Vienna, A) and Naomi Oreskes (San Diego, USA). The public evening lecture is given by Joachim Radkau (Bielefeld, GFR).

Please visit:

http://www.oeschger.unibe.ch/events/conferences/climatenbeyond/programme_en.html

Please contact: Andrea Westermann, Historisches Seminar, Universität Zürich,

andrea.westermann@hist.uzh.ch

14 – 15 February 2013

Technik im Kalten Krieg II / Technology in the Period of the Cold War (1970-1990),
Technikhistorische Jahrestagung des Vereins Deutscher Ingenieure /Annual History
of Technology Conference of the Association of German Engineers, VDI

Ruhr-Universität, Bochum

CFP – Deadline **30 November 2012**

Please visit: [http://www.gtg.tu-](http://www.gtg.tu-berlin.de/ws/images/banners/pdf/cfp/CFP_Technik_im_Kalten_Krieg.pdf)

[berlin.de/ws/images/banners/pdf/cfp/CFP_Technik_im_Kalten_Krieg.pdf](http://www.gtg.tu-berlin.de/ws/images/banners/pdf/cfp/CFP_Technik_im_Kalten_Krieg.pdf)

Please contact: Helmut Meyer, Ruhr-Universität Bochum, helmut.meyer@rub.de

10 – 13 March 2013

**Shaping Landscapes and Building Expertise, the Role of Imperial Technology in
the Making of the 19th and 20th Century World**

Lisbon

CFP – Deadline **15 October 2012**

We are pleased to announce that the Conference Shaping Landscapes and Building Expertise–The role of imperial technology in the making of the 19th and 20th century world – will be held on 10 – 13 of March 2012, in Lisbon Portugal.

The theme: The role played by technology in the making of European empires is now fully acknowledged. Classical books on these issues, such as Daniel Headrick’s The Tools of the Empire, Michael Adas’ Machine as the Measure of Men and Deepak Kumar’s and Roy MacLeod’s Technology and the Raj are mandatory reading in all courses on colonies and empires.

These classical theses on colonial technology have been later enriched and refreshed by the introduction of new concepts and actors: the idea of “Europeanizing the World/Provincializing Europe”, Gabrielle Hecht’s technopolitics, David Edgerton’s creole technology and the growing interest in “other” empires, sometimes anchored in small or/and peripheral, countries.

These new approaches highlight the use of technology to enact political power and to create/sustain a dynamic of cultural transfer and of entangled histories of mutual influence.

In this meeting we will focus on two main issues:

- **Reshaping colonial landscapes:** Colonial technology allowed, through the construction of networks of infrastructures in the colonies, to “domesticate” human and non-human subjects. However, this was not an automatic process, but a conflicting one often showing the difficulties of transferring and/or adapting European technologies in tropical latitudes and

the distance between the colonial rhetoric and its translation in the landscape (the scarcity of resources so often invoked by the colonial elites).

- **Colonial expertise and professional status:** Colonial territories were used as experimental fields for metropolitan engineers (and as field laboratories for scientists): knowledge and professional and/or political status was acquired by European technical experts from their involvement in colonial technology and science. Moreover colonial territories were a very dynamic job market that supported the circulation of technologies, experts, and expertise both between Europe and colonies and between colonial powers. A significant number of scientific and technological institutions were created to support this new worldwide science and technology; the administration itself was redesigned in order to accommodate the colonial corps of engineers.

The colony was clearly perceived as a privileged trial field for technologies that would later

be brought into the European arena. Many engineers, who were only able to find a job through their enrolment in colonial endeavours, used such an experience in their subsequent activity in Europe.

We aim at combining history of technology, political and economic history and sociology of professions and at encouraging comparative approaches, thus contributing to enlarge our perspective on this complex and multifaceted topic.

20 – 22 March 2013

Historiography of Mathematics in the 19th and 20th Centuries

Wuppertal

CFP – Deadline **21 December 2012**

We invite colleagues to submit abstracts for the workshop “Historiography of Mathematics in the 19th and 20th Centuries” to take place in Wuppertal, March 20-22, 2013. Description of the workshop and the preliminary list of invited speakers can be found on the website historiographyofmathematics2013.wordpress.com.

Proposals, including title and a short abstract (c. ½ page), for 30-minute talks (including discussion) should be sent to Volker Remmert [remmert@uni-wuppertal.de] before December 21, 2012. Acceptance will be announced in the first half of January 2013. Preference will be given to PhD students and post-docs. Accommodation for contributors will be covered; however, contributors will have to cover their own travel expenses.

Please visit: <http://historiographyofmathematics2013.wordpress.com>

Please contact: Volker R. Remmert, IZWT, Bergische Universität Wuppertal, remmert@uni-wuppertal.de

1 April 2013

Global History of Agrarian Labor Regimes, 1750 to 2000

Cambridge, MA

CFP – Deadline **30 November 2012**

During the past 250 years, agrarian labor regimes throughout much of the world have undergone radical changes, with an impact on billions of people. The transformation of the global countryside might indeed be one of the most significant historical processes of the modern era.

The Weatherhead Initiative on Global History (WIGH) at Harvard University is planning a conference for April 2013 that is focusing on changing labor regimes within global agriculture. We are interested in exploring the diversity of labor regimes, the paths along which they changed, and—most especially—the connections between these changes in different parts of the world. We are interested in work that explores the connected histories of propertied farming, sharecropping, wage labor, slavery, cultures obligatoires, and other such forms of labor, and how they have been connected to the spatial and social spread of capitalism.

We are seeking proposals from historians, political scientists, economists, sociologists, and anthropologists at all stages of their academic career, including graduate students. We encourage proposals from those in relevant career paths or institutions outside the university. We are particularly interested in forging a global discussion of these topics, and therefore welcome especially contributions from outside North America and Europe. The conference will try to balance broad comparative papers and revealing case studies.

The Weatherhead Initiative on Global History is a newly created center that responds to the growing interest at Harvard in the encompassing study of global history. The Initiative is committed to the systematic scrutiny of developments that have unfolded across national, regional, and continental boundaries as well as to analysis of the interconnections—cultural, economic, ecological and demographic—among world societies. For further information about WIGH as well as the conference, please consult our website at: wigh.wcfia.harvard.edu.

Proposals should include an abstract of no more than two pages and a brief curriculum vita. Please email your submissions to Jessica Barnard (jbarnard@wcfia.harvard.edu) before November 30, 2012. Travel expenses as well as accommodation will be covered.

Please visit www.wigh.wcfia.harvard.edu

Please contact: Jessica Barnard, jbarnard@wcfia.harvard.edu

10 – 12 Mai 2013

Die Sinnlichkeit der Technik / Sensuality of Technology, 22. Jahrestagung der Gesellschaft für Technikgeschichte /22nd Conference of the German Society for the History of Technology, GTG

Dresden

CFP – Deadline **6 January 2013**

Please visit: <http://www.gtg.tu-berlin.de/ws/index.php/tagungen/call-for-papers>

Please submit your abstract to Stefan Krebs, s.krebs@maastrichtuniversity.nl

Please contact Uwe Fraunholz, TU Dresden, uwe.fraunholz@tu-dresden.de

24 – 29 June 2013

Water History Conference

Montpellier

CFP – Deadline **31 December 2012**

The Water History Conference of the International Water History Association in Montpellier, France, will be a unique opportunity to exchange and develop new insights on the history of our most precious resource. The conference is organized by the Institut de Recherche pour le Développement (IRD) in close cooperation with local organizations and authorities.

Abstracts and sessions: The program committee welcomes abstracts for individual papers as well as proposals for complete sessions. Session proposals should include either 1) three papers and a commentator or 2) four papers; the inclusion of a session chair is encouraged. Proposals for double sessions will also be accepted. We seek papers on all aspects of water history, from rivers to drops, from seas to mountain lakes, from technologies to cultures. Having said that, submissions on three topics are encouraged:

- Archival sources – as the conference will be hosted in the new archival building Pierrevives in Montpellier
- Irrigation – as Montpellier is surrounded by irrigated fields and is famous for its irrigation experience
- Cooperation – as 2013 is the United Nations International Year of Water Cooperation

Submission process for abstracts and sessions: All abstracts, both for individual papers and those proposed for sessions, will be reviewed by the program committee. Paper abstracts should not exceed 300 words. Individual abstracts should be submitted by the main author. Complete session proposals should contain the session title, a 100-word description of the session, names, affiliations, and contact information of presenters, commentators, and chair, and titles and abstracts for all the papers. Session proposals should be submitted by the session organizer.

Time schedule

- Abstracts and sessions can be submitted between 1 October 2012 and 31 December 2012.
- Decisions on acceptance are foreseen to be available on 1 March 2013.
- The final conference program will be available on 1 May 2013. To appear on the program, presenters with accepted abstracts need to register before 1 April 2013.

Send session and abstract proposals to Waterhistory2013@tudelft.nl.

The general conference website can be found at

www.citg.tudelft.nl/waterhistory2013

10 – 12 July 2013

The Future of the Theory and Philosophy of History

Gent, Belgium

CFP – Deadline **15 January 2013**

The first conference of the recently established International Network for Theory of History is entitled “The future of the theory and philosophy of history”. We invite scholars, from around the world working in the field, to offer their response to some of the following questions: What binds philosophers or theorists of history? Can we articulate common questions, themes and objects of research that historical theorists should be concerned with? Should the theory of history be seen as a field unto itself with its own research goals, can (or should) it exist as a purely critical perspective in regard to other already existing disciplines (e.g. historiography, anthropology, sociology) or practices (e.g. public history, truth commissions, transitional justice)? In other words, does the philosophy of history (still) have a critical function? Should theorists of history start to focus more on ‘practical pasts’? Should theory of history be limited to a philosophy of historiography or should it also include substantial theories of broader historical phenomena? Is there a legitimate role for philosophers of history or should theory of history be the exclusive domain of practicing historians themselves?

We would therefore like to invite scholars from far and near to reflect on the past, present and future of the theory and philosophy of history. We encourage contributions that not only take stock of the insights, questions and dilemmas within the vast literature that has emerged in the last decades, but also indicate possible paths for future investigation.

Practical information

The conference will be held in Ghent (Belgium) on 10, 11 and 12 July 2013 and will be hosted by a new organization called The International Network for Theory of History (INTH). The goal of this network is to unite theorists and philosophers of history from around the world by offering a forum for scholars to contact one

another, exchange ideas, and to share their resources as well as their questions. To this end we have also launched a new website www.inth.ugent.be which we hope will facilitate international collaboration.

Those interested in taking part in the conference are asked to send in abstracts of 200 to 300 words to theoryofhistory@gmail.com by January 15th 2013.

We will consider both proposals for panel sessions as well as individual papers. Panel proposals should include a commentator and a chair.

More information and the full call for papers can be found on our website www.inth.ugent.be

Confirmed invited speakers:

Frank Ankersmit

Elizabeth Deeds Ermarth

Wulf Kansteiner

Ethan Kleinberg

Allan Megill

Jörn Rüsen

Gabrielle Spiegel

Please visit: www.inth.ugent.be

Please contact: Anton Froeyman, theoryofhistory@gmail.com

19 – 22 August 2013

Rural History 2013

Bern

CFP – Deadline **31 October 2012**

Rural History 2013 is the first conference held under the auspices of the European Rural History Organisation (EURHO). It will be organised by the Swiss Rural History Society (SRHS) and the Archives of Rural History (ARH) and takes place at the University of Bern from 19-22 August 2013. The conference is open to historians studying all periods as well as to scholars who approach rural history from a variety of other disciplines. While it focuses on the rural history of Europe it also welcomes contributions dealing with aspects of rural history in Africa, Asia, the Americas and Australasia.

The main aim of the conference is to provide an overview of the state of the art of rural history today. Another goal is to strengthen the networks and co-operation of rural historians and their institutions which have been built up over the last decade in Europe through initiatives like CORN, COST, the Rural Network within

the European Social Science History Conference (ESSHC) and Rural History 2010, the conference organised by the British Agricultural History Society in Brighton.

Rural History 2013 will be an occasion for rural historians to discuss the basic question of what exactly rural history is, how it can be narrated and, crucial for the future development of rural history, how the attractions of rural history in an era of worldwide urbanization can be communicated to the younger generation.

The conference will be mainly structured around panel sessions, but the scientific committee will also welcome suggestions for new forms of discussion and presentation. To provide participants with an insight into aspects of the contemporary rural world in Switzerland, the Swiss Rural History Society, as host of the conference, will organise an excursion.

We invite historians and related scholars, including independent scholars and archivists, to submit proposals for panels. The deadline for panel submissions is 31 October 2012. The selection of panels will rest with the international scientific committee.

A panel will comprise a chair or commentator and four presentations. Panel proposers can nominate a maximum of three contributors when they submit the proposal. The accepted panels will be published on our website by the end of November when, in a second round, a call for individual papers will be issued. Proposals for individual papers can then be submitted directly to those responsible for the accepted panels.

Please visit: www.ruralhistory2013.org

Please contact: Peter Moser, Archiv für Agrargeschichte,
peter.moser@agrarchiv.ch

4 – 7 September 2013

Risk and Disaster in Medicine and Health

Lisbon University

CFP – Deadline **1 December 2012**

Risks and disasters have always been central issues in health and medicine. They illuminate the interfaces between science, medicine, environment, economy, society, culture and politics. Responses to preventive measures have often reflected tensions between the perceived wider social and economic benefits of interventions and the short-term costs imposed on individuals, specific social groups or society at large. One issue raised by such tensions has been whether individual freedom is deemed less important than the health of the community. Threats of epidemics have provoked local, national and international agencies to

adopt drastic measures, consciously balancing the risk of disease against the economic risks posed by the disruption of trade or the implementation of expensive sanitary or environmental-protection measures whose costeffectiveness was difficult to foresee.

The strategies developed to cope with risk and disaster form the core of public health and medical philosophy, ranging from quarantines and vaccinations to screening programmes and high-tech medical monitoring. Yet there are distinct national and chronological differences in definitions, perceptions and representation of risks and dangers. They also vary according to the decision makers and broader publics: governments, medical professionals and other agencies, and different social classes, ethnic and gender groups.

We invite papers on all aspects of risk and disaster in the history of health and medicine, including its changing definition and the movement towards its quantification, covering epidemics, infectious and chronic disease, injuries and mental health. The articulation between personal risk, diagnosis and prognosis throughout history and health risks affecting communities of all sizes is, we believe, a key issue. We encourage contributions treating nationaland chronological differences and shifts in the definitions, perceptions and representation of risks and dangers, considered globally and according to race and ethnicity, gender, class, and professional status. We also invite proposals considering the management of risk, issues of vulnerability and anxiety, as well as the role of disaster management and humanitarian interventions on the part of a range of agencies and historical actors. Submissions relating to all historical periods and all regions are welcome, as are submissions from non-members.

The Lisbon Conference will have special sessions on the ‘History of Medicine on Display’, covering museology and the history of medicine and health as well as other practices of displaying the history of medicine to the public.

Abstracts should not exceed one page and should include information on the scientific question examined, sources and approach. Abstracts must contain a title, four key words and relevant information on the speaker (name, affiliation, address, email address). In addition to single-paper proposals, the Scientific Board welcomes proposals for sessions including three or four papers (though these will be judged on their individual merits).

Please submit all proposals for papers and sessions to www.eahmhconference2013.uevora.pt/ no later than 1 December 2012.

Please visit: www.eahmh.net/.

Please contact: Heiner Fangerau, heiner.fangerau@uni-ulm.de

10 – 13 October 2013

Annual Conference of the Society for the History of Technology, SHOT

The next SHOT conference will take place in Portland, Maine, USA. A call for papers will be published soon.

24 – 25 October 2013

Mode, Konsum und Alltagskultur in der Sowjetunion / Fashion, Consumption and Everyday Culture in the Soviet Union between 1945 and 1985

Salzburg

CFP – Deadline **28 February 2013**

In the middle of the 1950's, a turning point in political and social norms can be witnessed in Soviet consumption trends. The conference will focus on the role of these trends in promoting tensions between individually made clothes (at home or by a tailor) on the one hand, and the State propagated dress code on the other, as well as on the resulting impact on the relationship between the individual and the State. This opens new perspectives for the analysis of social, economic and political developments in the late Soviet Union, and how these developments relate to the (de)stabilisation of Soviet ruling structures. The conference will also aim to uncover new facets of everyday Soviet life to illustrate the behaviour patterns of Soviet citizens (individual appropriation and demarcation processes) and to consider how these manifest in both individual longings and needs and wider consumption trends.

The central question is how the form, sense and consumption of everyday items transform under changing political, economic and social conditions. The starting point is to investigate the history of material culture in the Soviet Union and explore its effects on social and cultural life. There will be a focus also on the duality of clothing fashion in the Soviet Union with the dichotomy between individual clothing production and the State propagated dress code being explored.

On the basis of this exploration, we anticipate speakers from academic fields including but not limited to the following items: fashion and clothing, women's and gender studies, political science, history, and economics. We will attempt to address the following questions: What specific features are recognizable in Soviet clothing fashion between the post-war period and perestroika? What, if any, "western" trends can be observed? What were the driving forces (i.e.: political, economic, ideological or cultural circumstances) that contributed to these developments? What was the effect of individual production of clothing on the identity of the Soviet woman? What role did this play in the transformation of social norms?

We are interested in all contributions which will help address these diverse questions. We welcome studies based on literature, film, photography, periodicals, visual arts, and other sources.

The organizers warmly invite researchers to participate in the conference and ask for a speaking title, abstract (approx. 500 words), and a brief personal summary by the 28th of February, 2013. Please submit the above to:
julia.hargassner@sbg.ac.at.

The estimated speaking time is 30 minutes, followed by a 15 minute open discussion period. The conference will take place at the University of Salzburg, Austria. Travel expenses, overnight costs and expenses will be partially compensated. The publication of a conference volume is planned.

Please contact: Julia Hargassner, Universität Salzburg, julia.hargassner@sbg.ac.at

11 – 14 September 2014

Fourth European Congress on World and Global History

Paris

CFP – Deadline **30 March 2013**

After the successful congresses of the European Network in Universal and Global History in Leipzig (2005), Dresden (2008) and London (2011), the next ENIUGH-congress will take place in Paris at the École normale supérieure and supported by the labex TransferS. Under the theme “Encounters, Circulations and Conflicts”, the problematic opposition of centres and peripheries, which is still influential in historical research, will be challenged. The multitude of places and centres from where history is written and the plurality of the languages in which historical artefacts are conveyed will be analysed. We hope to stimulate a discussion on the meaning and relevance of relations, comparisons, transfers, and entanglements between states, peoples, communities, and individuals in a ‘long durée’ perspective. We especially aim to involve colleagues from former colonies. In addition, the centenary of the beginning of the First World War provides the opportunity to address the destructive effects of international and global connectivity. We further seek to integrate the historical interactions between man and environment, including cultural and economic processes as well as the various aspects of material and social life. The history of empires belongs to core topics, as do large-scale crises and the consequences of political, technological, and ideological revolutions. All in all, our intension is to transcend the confines of national history writing. While the majority of the contributions will deal with particular historical subjects, some will concentrate on questions of theory and methodology. Besides the panels in the thematic sessions, roundtables and plenaries will offer room for joint discussions. We look forward to welcoming to Paris

historians interested in transnational and global history, from European as well as from non-European countries, and representing various disciplines involved in the field, which range from political science to archaeology, from economic to art history.

For further information about the Fourth European Congress on World and Global History and ENIUGH, please contact Michel Espagne, Steffi Marung and Katja Naumann at: congress@eniugh.org

Please visit: <http://www.eniugh.org>

Please contact the organizers by congress@eniugh.org

III. Fellowships

Programs of Support from the IEEE History Center 2013-2014

The IEEE History Center offers two programs of support annually for scholars pursuing the history of electrical engineering and computing: An internship for an advanced undergraduate, graduate student, or recent Ph.D., and a dissertation fellowship for an advanced graduate student or recent Ph.D. The internship and the dissertation fellowship are funded by the IEEE Life Members Committee. The internship requires residence at the IEEE History Center, on the Rutgers University Campus in New Brunswick, New Jersey, USA; there is no residency requirement for the dissertation fellowship.

IEEE Life Member Fellowship in Electrical History

The IEEE Fellowship in Electrical History supports either one year of full-time graduate work in the history of electrical science and technology at a college or university of recognized standing, or up to one year of post-doctoral research for a scholar in this field who has received his or her Ph.D. within the past three years. This award is supported by the IEEE Life Members Committee. The stipend is \$17,000, with a research budget of up to \$3,000.

Reimbursable research expenses include economy class travel to visit archives, libraries, historical sites, or academic conferences, either to hear papers or to present one's own work. Hotel stay, meals while travelling, copying costs, reprints of scholarly articles, and books directly pertaining to research are reimbursable. Any research trip expected to cost more than \$1000 must be approved in advance by IEEE History Center Staff. Examples of non-reimbursable expenses include, but are not limited to: licensing fees for images for book version of thesis (book publisher should pay for those), computers or computer peripherals, digital

cameras, clothing, and office supplies (paper, pens, printer cartridges, CDs, memory sticks, etc.).

Recipients are normally expected to take up the Fellowship in the July of the year that it is awarded. Fellowship checks are normally mailed to the Fellow quarterly in July, October, January, and April. For Fellows in the southern hemisphere who follow the southern hemisphere academic year, arrangements can be made to mail the checks in December (two quarters worth), March, and June.

Candidates with undergraduate degrees in engineering, the sciences, or the humanities are eligible for the fellowship. For pre-doctoral applicants, however, the award is conditional upon acceptance of the candidate into an appropriate graduate program in history at a school of recognized standing. In addition, pre-doctoral recipients may not hold or subsequently receive other fellowships, but they may earn up to \$5,000 for work that is directly related to their graduate studies. Pre-doctoral fellows must pursue full-time graduate work and evidence of satisfactory academic performance is required. These restrictions do not apply to post-doctoral applicants.

The Fellow is selected on the basis of the candidate's potential for pursuing research in, and contributing to, electrical history. Application forms are available on-line at http://www.ieee.org/about/history_center/fellowship.html. The deadline for completed applications is 1 February 2013. This completed application packet should be sent to the Chair, IEEE Fellowship in Electrical History Committee, IEEE History Center, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, 39 Union Street, New Brunswick, NJ 08901-8538. Applicants will be notified of the results by 1 June 2013. The IEEE Fellowship in Electrical Engineering History is administered by the IEEE History Committee and supported by the IEEE Life Members Committee.

IEEE History Center Life Member Internship

Scholars at the beginning of their career studying the history of electrical technology and computing are invited to contact the Center to be considered for a paid Internship at the Center's offices on the Rutgers University campus in New Brunswick, New Jersey.

The intern program seeks to provide research experience for graduate students in the history of electrical and computer technologies, while enlisting the help of promising young scholars for the Center's projects. The Intern generally works full-time for two months at the History Center on a Center project that is connected to his or her own area of interest. This time is usually during the summer, but other arrangements will be considered. Interns are also encouraged to consult with the Center's staff and its associates, and guided to research resources in the area. The internship is designed for those near the beginning or middle of their graduate careers, but advanced undergraduates, advanced graduates, and, on rare occasions, recent Ph.D.s will also be considered. Special consideration is often given to scholars from outside the United States who might not otherwise have an opportunity to visit historical resources in this country.

The stipend paid to the intern is US\$3,500, but additional funds may be available to defray travel costs, depending on the intern's circumstances. This internship is supported by the IEEE Life Members Committee.

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9 – 11 November 2012

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