Final Conference Announcement

BigStuff 2015

Technical heritage: preserving authenticity – enabling identity?

About BigStuff conferences

Big Stuff is an international meeting focused on the challenges and requirements for conserving the large industrial structures and technical objects that form such an important part of our modern heritage. The meeting has been so far hosted in Canberra/Australia (2004), Bochum/Germany (2007), Duxford/UK (2010) and Ottawa/Canada (2013). In 2015 it will be held in Lewarde/France.

The conference features two days of talks and discussions about the preservation of industrial sites, oversized objects, machinery, and working technology in the context of their significance and interpretation. The meeting aims to bring together Conservation professionals, Curators, and those working in or interested in the heritage field; to share experiences and ideas, and encourage a consistent approach to preserving technological heritage.

Venue:

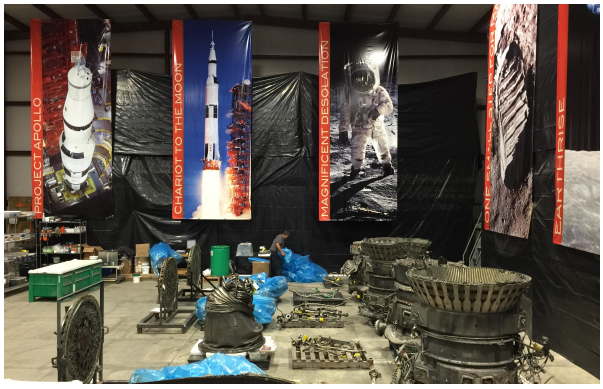
BigStuff 2015 will be held at the mining museum 'Centre Historique Minier (CHM)', Lewarde/France (http://www.chm-lewarde.com/en/index.html).

Date:

The two-day conference will take place from 3rd to 4th September 2015. It will start on the morning of Thursday, 3rd and end late afternoon Friday, 4th September.

Additional Day trip:

We are offering an additional day trip on 5th of September 2015 (not included in the conference fee). The trip, organized by local organizers of the conference, will give an interesting insight into mining basin in North of France.



Scientific program of Big Stuff 2015 conference:
The draft program is added to this final announcement.

Presenting a poster:
Program with oral presentations is completed yet. But there is still an opportunity to present posters. If you are interested to do so, please contact scientific committee representative Alison Wain with a short abstract (alison.wain58@gmail.com).

Languages at the conference:
Contributions can be given in English and French. Simultaneous translation will be available.

Fees:
Conference fee will be **150.00 €** per person. It will include conference documents, simultaneous translation (French - English), drinks and meals during the conference, and transport from hotel (in Douai) to the conference location and back.

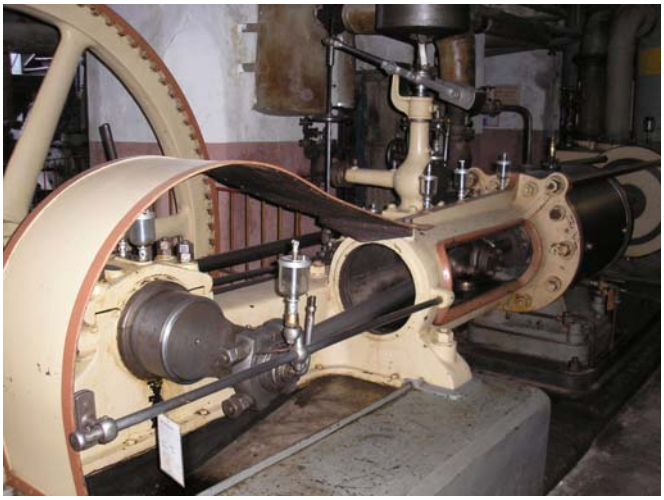
Conference dinner in the evening of 3rd of September has an extra price of **20.00 €** (without drinks). The **additional day trip** will cost an extra of **50.00 €**. This fee will include costs for the bus and refreshments during the trip.

Registration:
Online registration for conference, conference dinner and additional day trip is necessary. Please join: www.bergbaumuseum.de/bigstuff2015. We will provide you with a confirmation of registration and send an invoice regarding the fees.

Hotel accommodation:
Room contingents will be reserved by CHM in Douai close to Lewarde (not included in the conference fee). Reservation has to be done by participants themselves. Information on hotels and costs are added to this final announcement.

For more information:
Please view the conference homepage: www.bergbaumuseum.de/bigstuff2015 to get further information.

Further time schedule:
- beginning of July: distribution of final program
- Middle of August: deadline for registration
- 3rd of September: start of conference



Draft Big Stuff 2015 program

Thursday 3 September		
Session/Time	**Author/Activity**	**Title of Presentation**
08.00 - 09.00	**Registration**	
09.00 - 09.20	**Welcome, housekeeping and keynote speech**	
Session 1: Handling and preservation of industrial heritage		
09.20 - 09.45	David Thickett / UK	Corrosion protection for complex large equipment
09.45 - 10.10	Cristian Mazzon / Germany	Development of monitoring techniques for coatings applied to industrial heritage
10.10 – 10.25	Timothy Scarlett/ USA	Batch treatments for industrial heritage collections: Supercritical CO_2 treatments to stabilize ferrous metal artifacts
10.25 - 11.00	**Morning tea**	**Posters on show**
11.00 - 11.25	Gerhard Lenz , Kornelius Goetz / Germany	World Heritage Foundation Mines of Rammelsberg, Historic Town of Goslar and Upper Harz Water Management System: Two examples of object evaluation and condition measurement using a Webapp in accordance with EU standard 16096
11.25 - 11.50	Norbert Tempel /Germany	Preservation challenges of big concrete bunkers – The Voelklingen and Henrichshuette ironworks
11.50 - 12.15	Martin Sauder / Germany	Remediation of concrete structures: Technical solutions meeting monument preservation demands
12.15 - 01.15	**Lunch**	**Posters on show**

Thursday 3 September		
Session/Time	**Author/Activity**	**Title of Presentation**
Session 2: Preservation and operation of machinery		
01.15 - 01.40	Hans van de Bunte/ Malaysia	Brooke Dockyard: 100 years of industrial heritage laying dormant in Borneo
01.40 - 02.05	Bill Jordan/ Australia	Maintenance and operation of the 1885, rope-driven Craven Bros gantry crane
02.05 - 02.30	David de Haan / UK	Running an industrial world heritage site: A prominent example – Ironbridge Gorge
Session 3: Context and planning		
02.30 - 02.55	Piotr Gerber / Poland	Preservation activities dealing with a former zinc production site in Poland
02.55 - 03.20	Shunsuke Nakayama / Japan	Status quo, issues and measures related to the protection of industrial heritage in Japan
03.20 - 03.45	**Afternoon tea**	**Posters on show**
03.45 - 04.10	Yiping Dong / China	Large scale industrial structures conservation in China – a short report
04.10 - 04.35	Sarah Jane Brazil/Australia	Sites of Japan's Meiji Industrial Revolution
04.35 - 05.00	Frida Pashako, Boriana Golgota Vrusho / Albania	The history and actual condition of industrial heritage in Albania: The problems and opportunity of the metallurgical complex of Elbasan
05.00 - 05.25	Heike Oevermann / Germany	BigStuff: Industrial heritage management in the context of urban planning
05.25 - 05.30	***Wrap up, dinner details***	
05.30 - 06.30	Book proposal discussion	
7.00 onwards	**Dinner at CHM**	

Friday 4 September		
Session/Time	**Author/Activity**	**Title of Presentation**
Session 4: Traces of usage		
08.30 - 08.55	Romain Jeanneret, Tobias Schenkel, Christian Degrigny & Damien Tournache / Suisse	Le Sismographe Quervain-Piccard de l'Observatoire de Neuchâtel
08.55 - 09.20	Stan Reed /Norway	Næs Ironworks hammer forge
09.20 - 09.45	Gesa Witt / Germany	Documentation and conservation of the last Hamburg tramway
09.45 - 10.10	Kathleen Ribbens / Belgium	The Würzburg Riese Radar at the Atlantikwall Museum of Raversyde, Ostend, Belgium – a restoration case study
10.10 - 10.35	**Morning tea**	**Posters on show**
10.35 - 11.00	Claudia Chemello, Paul Mardikian / USA	Conservation of Structural Ironwork from a Large Downdraft Kiln at the Former Western Clay Manufacturing Company site in Helena, Montana, USA
11.00 - 11.25	Clara Deck / USA	Maintaining the Dymaxion House in Henry Ford Museum
11.25 - 11.50	Kaat Sneiders / Belgium	Mould issues in six historical train interiors: Treatment and follow-up
11.50 - 12.15	Diana McCormack & Marta Leskard / UK	Conservation of the fine tuning coil assembly from Rugby Radio Station, Warwickshire
12.15 - 12.40	Paul Mardikian, Claudia Chemello, Jerrad Alexander / USA	Strategies for preserving layers of history on Apollo-Era flown engines
12.40 - 01.50	**Lunch**	**Posters on show**
01.50 - 02.30	***Plans for Big Stuff – whole group discussion***	

Friday 4 September		
Session/Time	**Author/Activity**	**Title of Presentation**
Session 5: Working together - community and professional		
02.30 - 02.55	Alison Wain / Australia	Values are the key: drivers of separation and co-operation between different communities of practice
02.55 -03.20	Judite Gonçalves / Portugal	The service of conservation and restoration service of the Portuguese National Railway Museum
03.20 - 03.45	Peter Du Rietz , Anna Lindgren / Sweden	Industrial documentations - a collaborative way to build knowledge together
03.45 – 04.10	Ruth Keller /Germany	Restoration activities in Ethiopia (performed by a team of the university) dealing with a power generator manufactured in Germany and transferred to Africa in the beginning of 20th century
04.10 - 04.25	***Farewell & Wrap up***	
04.25 - 05.00	**Afternoon tea**	
05.00 - 06.30	***Museum Tour at CHM***	

Saturday 5 September		
Morning till early afternoon	Excursion to heritage sites in the world heritage region	

ACCOMMODATION

◗ Participants have to book their accommodation themselves, by contacting directly the suggested hotels in the following list
◗ We advise participants to book well in advance, and to favor the three hotels in Douai where rooms have been pre-booked
◗ The cost of accommodation is not included in the conference fee

ⓘ For any help regarding accommodation...
Centre Historique Minier (Mining History Centre)
Fosse Delloye – Rue d'Erchin – BP 30039 – 59287 LEWARDE

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HOTELS WITH PRE-BOOKED ROOMS

➜ A total contingent of 50 rooms have been pre-booked in these 3 hotels by the Mining History Centre, until mid-July. After this date, we can't assure you availability, especially because hotels may get extremely busy due to a big event ("Braderie de Lille")
➜ The pre-booking was done for three nights (arrival on Wed 02.09 and departure on Sat 05.09) and breakfast is available
➜ To access those pre-booked rooms, you have to give the hotel the keyword/the reference : "BIG STUFF"

Hôtel IBIS Douai Centre** (20 pre-booked rooms)
Place Saint Amé 59500 DOUAI
☎ +33 (0)3 27 87 27 27 🖷 +33 (0)3 27 98 31 64 h0956@accord.com
Indicative price : 95€-100€/one night (Wed&Thu) 80€-85€/one night (Fri) - breakfast included

Hôtel VOLUBILIS*** (10 pre-booked rooms)
Boulevard Vauban 59500 DOUAI
☎ +33 (0)3 27 88 00 11 🖷 +33 (0)3 27 96 07 41 contact@hotel-volubilis.fr
Indicative price : 95€/one night + 11€/breakfast

Inter-Hôtel LE GAYANT** (20 pre-booked rooms)
20 rue Pierre Brossolette 59500 DOUAI
☎ +33 (0)3 27 88 29 97 🖷 +33 (0)3 27 99 07 01 contact@legayant-hotel.fr
Indicative price : 76€/one night (Wed&Thu) 63.50€/one night (Fri) + 9.60€/breakfast

HOTELS WITHOUT PRE-BOOKED ROOMS

Hôtel KYRIAD***
ZAC du Luc – rue Barack Obama 59187 DECHY
☎ +33 (0)3 59 43 51 00 or +33 (0)8 92 23 48 13 🖷 +33 (0)3 59 43 51 51 douai.dechy@kyriad.fr
Indicative price : 79€/one night + 9.50€/breakfast

Hôtel LA TERRASSE***
36, Terrasse Saint Pierre 59500 DOUAI
☎ +33 (0)3 27 88 70 04 🖷 +33 (0)3 27 88 36 05 contact@laterrasse.fr
Indicative price : 79€/one night + 9.50€/breakfast

Hôtel CAMPANILE***
Rue Maximilien de Robespierre 59553 CUINCY
☎ +33 (0)3 27 96 97 00 🖷 +33 (0)3 27 98 98 93 douai.cuincy@campanile.fr
Indicative price : 69€/one night + 9.90€/breakfast

Hôtel B&B**
Rue Antoine Blondel 59553 CUINCY
☎ +33 (0)8 92 78 80 39 🖷 +33 (0)3 27 71 85 00
Indicative price : 45€/one night + 6€/breakfast

Hôtel Première Classe*
Rue Maximilien de Robespierre 59553 CUINCY
☎ +33 (0)8 92 70 71 58 or +33 (0)3 27 98 99 87 🖷 +33 (0)3 27 98 98 90 douai@premiereclasse.fr
Indicative price : 33€/one night + 4.90€/breakfast