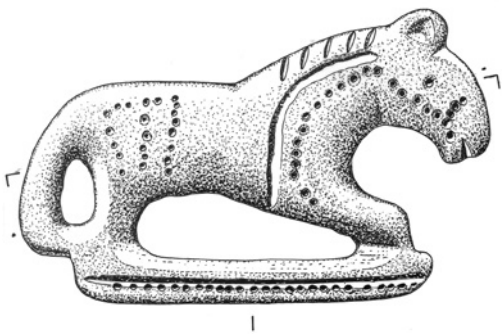


ANNOUNCEMENT

International Colloquium Archaeology in Contemporary Europe - ACE The Significance of the Past

*The very beginning of Europe?
Cultural and Social Dimensions of Early-Medieval Migration
and Colonisation (5th-8th century):*

BRUSSELS - MAY 17-19 2011



As a co-organising partner of the European ACE project which aims to promote archaeology in contemporary Europe, the Flemish Heritage Institute (VIOE, Scientific Institute of the Flemish Government, Brussels, Belgium) is organising an international colloquium on the Early Middle Ages within the ACE-theme 'The Significance of the past'. The focus will be on the issues of social and identity construction, and phenomena such as migration, settlement, ethnicity, acculturation, land use and landscape, as well as the formation of cultural and political identities in the past. This colloquium is the result of research and exchange carried out within the framework of the ACE project - 'Archaeology in contemporary Europe', with the support of the European Union (Culture 2007-2013 programme).

<http://www.ace-archaeology.eu>

The Flemish Heritage Institute (VIOE) is organising this colloquium in cooperation with the 'Internationales Sachsensymposium. Arbeitsgemeinschaft zur Archäologie der Sachsen und ihrer Nachbarvölker in Nordwesteuropa'. The scientific coordination is assigned to Prof. Dr. Frans Theuvs (University of Amsterdam), Prof. Dr. Laurent Verslype (Université Catholique de Louvain), Prof. Dr. Dries Tys (Vrije Universiteit Brussel), Dr. Koen De Groote (VIOE), Yann Hollevoet (Département RWO of the Flemish Government) and Rica Annaert (VIOE).

We invite you to attend this colloquium, which will be held in Brussels, Belgium on May 17-19 2011. Please find attached the preliminary programme and the registration form.



CONFERENCE FEE

1. Full Registration Fee
(2 days, including Congress Book, coffee, lunches, reception): € 70
2. Partial Registration Fee
(1 day, including Congress Book, coffee, lunch, reception): € 35
3. Full Student Registration Fee
(2 days, including Congress Book, coffee, lunches, reception): € 20
4. Partial Student Registration Fee
(1 day, including Congress Book, coffee, lunch, reception): € 10

Speakers are exempt of fees.

Modes of payment:

- Cash at the conference
- In advance by bank transfer to following bank account:

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With following mention: VIOE-ACE colloquium + your name

Posters, abstracts and papers for the proceedings

The presentation of posters will be possible during the colloquium.

The deadline for the abstracts/summaries of presentations and posters for the Conference Book is **April, 01 2011**.

We intend to publish the Proceedings of the Colloquium as a monograph in the VIOE-serie 'Relicta' as soon as possible. For that reason we ask the speakers to submit their manuscripts before the opening of the congress (**deadline May 15 2011**). We will give the speakers 4 weeks for a finishing touch after the colloquium and expect the definitive manuscripts **before June 15 2011**.

English is the preferred language of communication, but summaries and manuscripts in French or German are accepted. All texts must be sent to the congress secretary (tinne.jacobs@rwo.vlaanderen.be) as attachment by e-mail in Microsoft Word 2003 format:

- abstracts/summaries: 1 page, ca. 500 words with max. 1 illustration in -tiff format
- manuscripts for the proceedings: see attached guidelines.

Conference locations

May, 17th: Key-note lecture

Auditorium Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Pleinlaan 2, 1050 Brussels

<http://www.vub.ac.be/english/infoabout/campuses/index.html>

May, 18th and 19th: Colloquium

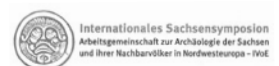
Hadewijch Auditorium in the Conscience building (Flemish Government), Koning Albert II-laan 15, 1210 Brussels

http://www.mobielvlaanderen.be/bereikbaarheidsgids/bestem_bru-no.php?a=13&nav=4

May, 18th: Evening lecture on the history and issues of modern migrations by Leo Lucassen (University of Leiden, NL) (Freely open to the general public).

Centre for Fine Arts (BOZAR) – Studio, Ravensteinstraat 32, 1000 Brussels

<http://www.bozar.be/webpage.php?pageid=127&>



ACCOMODATION

The hotels below have rooms reserved during a short period for the ACE-colloquium.
The rooms can be booked directly by the participants by referring to the mentioned codes.

NH Atlanta (**)**

Adolf Maxlaan/Boulevard Adolphe Max, 7 – 1000 Brussels

Tel.: +32 2 217 01 20

Standard single room (breakfast, taxes and internet incl.): € 150/night

60 rooms reserved until April, 17 2011 - code: **VIOE / Ref: 133.397.992 NH Atlanta**

Brussels

<http://www.nh-hotels.nl/nh/nl/hotels/belgie/brussel/nh-atlanta-brussels.html>

Thon Brussels City Center (**)**

Bolwerklaan/Avenue du Boulevard, 17 – 1210 Brussels

Tel.: +32 2 205 15 11

Classic single room (breakfast, taxes, internet incl.): € 130/night

55 rooms reserved until April, 5 2011

for registration form mail to: tinne.jacobs@rwo.vlaanderen.be

<http://www.thonhotels.be/hotels/countrys/belgium/brussels/thon-hotel-brussels-city-centre/>

Husa President Park Hotel (**)**

Koning Albert II-laan/ Boulevard du Roi Albert II 44 – 1000 Brussels

Tel.: + 32 2 203 20 20

Single standard room (breakfast and city tax incl.): € 120/night

50 rooms reserved until April, 15 2011 – code: **RWO May 2011.**

<http://www.husapresidentpark.com/default-nl.html>

Hotel Queen Anne (*)**

Emiel Jacqmainlaan/Boulevard Emile Jacqmain, 110 – 1000 Brussels

Tel.: + 32 2 217 16 00

Reservation: e-mail: info@queen-anne.be or fax +32 2 217 18 38.

Single room (breakfast & city tax incl.): € 99/night

12 rooms reserved until April, 24 2011. – code: **VIOE 2011.**

<http://www.queen-anne.be/qdef.htm>

Ibis Brussels Centre Saint Catherine (*)**

Joseph Plateaustraat/ Rue Joseph Plateau, 2 – 1000 Brussels

Tel.: + 32 2 513 76 20

Single room (breakfast incl.): ca. € 105/night

<http://www.ibishotel.com/gb/hotel-1454-ibis-brussels-centre-ste-catherine/index.shtml>

(Youth) Hostel Bruegel

Heilige Geeststraat/ Rue du Saint-Esprit, 2 – 1000 Brussels

Tel.: + 32 2 511 04 36

<http://www.vjh.be/brussel.htm>

Auberge Sleep well

Dambordstraat/Rue du Damier, 23 – 1000 Brussels

Tel.: +32 2 218 50 50

<http://www.sleepwell.be/EN/contact.html>

Other hotels:

www.booking.com



TRAVEL

Brussels is easy reachable by public transport. All colloquium locations and the hotels are in the direct vicinity of the Railway Station Brussel Noord/Bruxelles Nord.

A direct train service is connecting Brussels Airport at Zaventem with the Railway Station Brussel Noord (http://www.brusselsairport.be/en/parking_transport/to-and-from/).

From the Eurostar-railway station Brussel-Zuid/Bruxelles Midi and from the Thalys- railway station Brussel Centraal/Bruxelles Central, many trains are departing to Brussel Noord/Bruxelles North (<http://www.b-rail.be/main/E/>)

