
Programme RHIN(e): 6th Transnational Rhine Conference

Rivers and Innovation in International Comparative Perspective

April 14-16, Maritime Museum and World Port Center, Rotterdam

Thursday April 14, Maritime Museum

Welcome 14.00	Frits Loomeijer, director Maritime Museum
Introduction 14.10	Ben Wubs (Erasmus University Rotterdam) <i>Rivers and Innovation in International Comparative Perspective</i>
Keynote 1 14.30	Leonard Blussé (Leiden University) <i>Rhine and Yangzi Deltas: an Explorative Comparison</i>
15.30	Coffee & tea
Session 1	Comparison of two river economies: Rhine und Yangtze
16.00 - 17.30	Catia Antunes (Leiden University) <i>River Societies: A Transnational Comparative Project</i> Zhang Xiaohong (Fudan University Shanghai) <i>An overview of historical geographic studies on the Jiangnan delta society and its peculiarities</i> Comments: Peer Vries (University of Vienna)
19.00	Diner in hotel Quartier du Port

Friday April 15, World Port Center

Session 2	Export Relations and Institutional Change in Early Modern Times
9.30-11.00	Magnus Ressel (Goethe University Frankfurt am Main/München) <i>Organization, Change and Volume of Transalpine Transport between Germany and Italy in the 18th Century</i> Andrea Serles (University of Vienna) <i>Trade and Transport in the Upper Danube Region: The Age of Mercantilism</i>

	Comments: Eva Roelevink (Ruhr University Bochum)
11.00-11.30	Coffee and tea
Keynote 2 11.30-12.30	Nil Disco (University of Twente), <i>The Rhine, a river of innovations</i>
12.30-13.30	Lunch
Session 3	Changes of Economic Relations and Industrial Structures in the 19th Century
13.30-15.00	Margrit Schulte Beerbühl (Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf) <i>Rise and decline of the Rhenish chocolate industry between Emmerich and Bonn (ca 1850-1970)</i> Hein Klemann (Erasmus University Rotterdam) <i>West-German-Dutch Trade Relations, 1830-1860</i> Comments: Christian Marx (University of Trier)
Social Programme and dinner	To be announced

Saturday April 16, Maritime Museum

Session 4	River Regulation in Comparative Perspective: Rhine und Danube
9.30-11.00	Joep Schenk & Constantin Ardeleanu (Utrecht University) <i>River regulation on the Rhine and the Danube: a comparison between two river regimes (1815-1914)</i> Antoine Beyer (IFSTTAR- UR Splott / Paris-Sorbonne) <i>The Strasbourg Port Institution and Infrastructure in the Long Twentieth Century</i> Comments: Guido Thiemeyer (Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf)
11.00-11.30	Coffee and tea
Session 5	Technological Development and Knowledge Regimes

11.30-13.00	<p>Jean-Francois Eck (University of Lille 3), <i>Innovations and Rhine shipping after the Second World War</i></p> <p>Nils Bennemann (University of Duisburg/Essen), <i>River Maps, Tolls and Navigability: On the Role, Exchanges and Standardization of Cartographic Knowledge in the Central Commission for Rhine Navigation, 1817 – 1880</i></p> <p>Comments: Marten Boon (Norwegian University of Science and Technology Trondheim)</p>
13.00-14.00	Lunch and end of the conference