4th Transnational Rhine Conference:

Crossing the Rhine.
Globalisation and the Impact of War on the Rhine Economy

(Maritime Museum Rotterdam, Future Land, 21-23 March 2013)

Thursday 21 March 2013
Venue: Maritime Museum Rotterdam

13.30-14.00: Registration

14.00-14.10: Werner Plumpe (Goethe University Frankfurt) Welcome and Introduction

14.10-14.30: Jean-Marie Woehrling (Former Secretary General of the CCNR) The Central commission for the Navigation of the Rhine in the service of the Rhine economy: permanence and change

14.30-16.00: First Session: The Rhine in Napoleonic Times
Robert Mark Spaulding (University of North Carolina Wilmington) Revolutionary France and the Transformation of the Rhine
Takafumi Kurosawa (Kyoto University) Swinging currency border in High-Rhine: Pre-National Rhine Economy as a Border Zone of German and French Currency Systems
Discussant: Harm Schröter (University of Bergen)

16.00-16.30: Coffee and Tea

16.30-17.45: Second Session: Transnational Rhine Project
Ralf Banken (Goethe University Frankfurt) and Ben Wubs (Erasmus University Rotterdam), Project Discussion: Network, Applications, Methods, Approaches and Topics.
Steven van de Walle (Erasmus University Rotterdam) Experiences in applying for European FP7 SSH funding

17.45-18.00: Launch website Erasmus Centre for the History of the Rhine

18.00-19.00: Behind the Scenes Tour in Maritime Museum Rotterdam

19.30: Dinner: Quartier du Port

Friday 22 March 2013

Bus leaves from Hotel Quartier du Port to the venue Future Land Maasvlakte 2 at 9 pm
10.30-12.00: Excursion Rotterdam Port Authority: boat trip Maasvlakte 2

12.00-13.00: Lunch: Venue: Future Land Maasvlakte 2

13.00-14.30: Third Session: The First Globalisation Wave and its Conflicts
Hein Klemann (Erasmus University Rotterdam) *The Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine, 1815-1914*
Joep Schenk and Marten Boon (Erasmus University Rotterdam), *Trading Places. How Merchants the Rotterdam-Ruhr Axis in the First Global Economy, 1870-1914*
Discussant: Abe de Jong (Erasmus University Rotterdam)

14.30-15.00 Tea

15.00-16.30: **Fourth Session: Great War and the Rhine**
Eva Roelevink (Ruhr University Bochum) *The German Coal on the Dutch Market, or: why it is interesting to have a look on the business history of the German Coal Syndicate and its Dutch Trading Association, 1915-1932*
Jeroen Euwe (Université Libre Bruxelles) *The Rhine Economy and German Economic Recovery after World War I*
Discussant: Richard Coopey (Aberystwyth University)

16.30-17.15: **Introducing archives**
Florence de Peyronnet-Dryden (German Historical Institute Paris), *The electronic inventory of the archive of the Inter-Allied Rhineland High Commission (1919-1930): a new source for the economic history of Germany after World War I.*

**19.30 Dinner: Quartier du Port**
**Saturday, 23 March 2013**
**Venue:** Maritime Museum Rotterdam

9.00-10.30: **Fifth Session: The Second World War, its Aftermath, and the Rhine**
Martijn Lak (Erasmus University Rotterdam) *The Rhine in Ruins. The consequences of World War II Rhine traffic between the Netherlands and Germany, 1945-1957*
Ute Engelen (University of Mainz) *Chemical and pharmaceutical companies at the Rhine in Mainz and Wiesbaden after 1945*
Margrit Müller (University of Zürich) *The "Rhine Economy“ and the development of the Swiss Chemical Industry*
Discussant: Nil Disco (University Twente)

10.30-11.00 Coffee

11.00-12.30: **Sixth Session: The Second Globalisation Wave and the Rhine Economy**
Klara Paardenkooper (Erasmus University Rotterdam) *Containerization, the Rhine and the Military (1945-2010)*
Suzanne Hilger (Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf) *"From the Rhine to the World" - North Rhine Westphalia's Economy in Times of Globalization*
Antoine Beyer (IFSTTAR, France) *The urban restrucdruration of the Rhine river ports. Transport function vs. post industrial identities (1990 – 2010)*
Discussant: Christian Kleinschmidt (Philipps-Universität Marburg)

12.30 – 13.30 Lunch TBA