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Editorial

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

This issue of the Newsletter announces three important activities of ICOHTEC: the call for papers of our 42nd symposium in Tel Aviv (16 – 21 August 2015), a call for contributions to the next issue of ICON, and the call for application for ICOHTEC's Maurice Daumas Price. The announcement of our book price 2015 will be published in the next newsletter.

Thank you for distributing the information among your colleagues.

Best wishes
Stefan Poser

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I. ICOHTEC

I.1 Call for Papers – ICOHTEC SYMPOSIUM 2015



The 42nd ICOHTEC Symposium will be held together with IEEE HISTELCON in Tel Aviv from 16 to 21 August 2015. The main theme of the meeting will be the *History of High-Technologies and their Socio-Cultural Contexts*. The aim is to analyse the social, cultural, political, economic, scientific as well as military impact of high-technologies, ranging from recent and contemporary developments in computer technology through to innovations that were state-of-the-art in their own time, such as the telegraph, radar, and the jet engine. The conference will explore this complex process from national as well as international perspectives. It will trace both developers and users of high-technologies and their appropriation strategies. It addresses scholars from various backgrounds such as historians, sociologists, practicing engineers, and scientists.

The symposium covers all periods and areas of the globe. We invite submissions of new, original and unpublished work that offers fresh perspectives for the history of technology as well as exploring sources and methods.

The programme committee suggests the following non-exhaustive subthemes for the consideration of session organisers and contributors of individual papers, and posters:

1. High Technology as a Time- and Place-Bound Concept
2. Relationships between High-Technologies, Science, Economics, Consumption, Politics, and Environment
3. Cross-Country Transfer of High Technology
4. From “Start-Up” Companies to Big Business? The History of Telecommunication, Information Technology, and Biotechnology
5. Inner Momentum of Technological and Scientific Developments vs. the Impact of Social and Cultural Forces
6. Age, Gender, and Ethnicity: their Historical Roles in Developing and Using High-Technologies
7. Contributions of Users and their Relationship to Developers of High-Technologies
8. Cultural and Social Effects of High-Technologies and the Development of High-Tech Communities

9. Resistance to the Development and Use of High-Technologies: Ethical, Cultural, Economic and Social Aspects
10. "Failure" and "Success" of Particular Technologies and Companies
11. The Impact of Political, Scientific, Economic, and Technological Framework Conditions on High-Technologies
12. Influence of High-Tech on Arts such as Music and Video
13. The Role of High-Tech Products and their Social and Cultural Impact in East-West-Relations during the Cold War and in the Post-Cold War Era
14. High-Tech and Utopia such as "the Atomic Age", "the Electrical Age", and "the Steam Age"
15. High-Tech in Science Fiction

ICOHTEC welcomes proposals for individual papers and posters, but preference will be given to organised sessions of three or more papers. The Programme Committee will also consider submissions not directly related to the symposium theme providing that they relate to the history of technology broadly defined.

All proposals should be submitted electronically by **2 February 2015** via our website www.icohtec.org/annual-meeting-2015.html

In addition to the scientific programme, the symposium will include plenary sessions, business meetings, special sessions for the prize winning book and article, the general assembly of ICOHTEC as well as social events such as excursions, receptions, and a banquet. The campus of Tel Aviv University and the surrounding areas, with their intensive high-tech activities, offer an excellent venue for this meeting.

ICOHTEC will co-organize the Tel Aviv Conference with a branch of The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) and, please, notice that the IEEE HISTELCON will announce its own call for papers. The two organizations will assess and accept paper proposals independently. Those we wish to apply to the IEEE HISTELCON should abide to its instructions, which will be posted in due course. Authors interested in presenting their work at the meeting should choose one of the organizations; applications to both are not allowed. The programme committees may suggest that authors present their talks in sessions of the other organization.

For suggestions about preparing your submission and the conference presentation, please consult the guidelines on www.icohtec.org/proposal-guidelines.html

If you have any questions related to the scientific programme, paper, poster or session proposals, please, do not hesitate to contact Christopher Neumaier, the chair of the programme committee, at neumaier@zsf-pdm.de

Those wishing for more information about the HISTELCON program should contact Michael Geselowitz at m.geselowitz@ieee.org

I.2 Call for Article Submissions for ICON

As you all must know, a journal is only as good as the articles it publishes, and at the moment, *ICON* is looking for some good manuscripts to consider for its 2015 issue. If you have a manuscript of 6,000 to 8,000 words, please consider submitting it for consideration. We would like to have manuscripts in hand during the first four months of 2015, so that they can be evaluated both in-house and by anonymous referees. Be sure to follow the contributor guidelines, which can be downloaded from *ICON's* web page: <http://icohtec.org/publications-icon-guidelines.html>

Articles appearing in *ICON* are abstracted and indexed by SCOPUS, *America: History and Life, Current Abstracts, Francis, Historical Abstracts, PubMed* and *TOC Premier. ICON* also is listed in the *European Reference Index for the Humanities* and will be available through JSTOR beginning in 2015.

If you have any questions, please contact James Williams, *ICON's* editor, at techjunc@gmail.com. We look forward to receiving submissions from both members and non-members of ICOHTEC, so please share this call for submissions with all your colleagues.

I.3 Maurice Daumas Prize – ICOHTEC's Article Price

The *International Committee for the History of Technology*, ICOHTEC, welcomes submissions for the *Maurice Daumas Prize*, which aims to encourage innovative scholarship in the history of technology. ICOHTEC is interested in the history of technological development as well as its relationship to science, society, economy, culture and the environment. There is no limitation as to theoretical or methodological approaches.

The prize will be awarded to the author of the best article submitted which deals with the history of technology in any period of the past or in any part of the world and which was published in a journal or edited volume in 2013 or 2014. Eligible for the prize are original articles published in (or later translated into) any of the official ICOHTEC languages (English, French, German, Russian or Spanish). Submissions are welcomed from scholars of any country **who are currently in graduate school or have received their doctorate within the last seven years**. Please send your submission and a brief (not to exceed one-page) cv to *each* of the five Prize Committee members **no later than 12 January 2015. Electronic submissions are preferred**. The winner will be contacted in late May 2015.

The prize will be awarded at our 42st Symposium, to be held 16 – 21 August 2015 in Tel Aviv, Israel. The winner will receive a cash prize of Euro 500 as well as a travel grant of Euro 300 (if needed) to attend the ICOHTEC Symposium, which will feature a special panel organized around the winning article. The Daumas Prize is sponsored by L'Université de Technologie de Belfort-Montbéliard (UTBM), France.

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II. Conference Announcements

18 – 20 November 2014

**Ein halbes Jahrhundert Zickzack mit Darwin. Evolution -- Evolutionäre Algorithmen -- Artificial Life
Workshop on early attempts to apply evolution theory in engineering in the 1960s.**

Institut für Geschichte der Medizin, Naturwissenschaft und Technik, "Ernst-Haeckel-Haus"
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Please visit <http://evolutionsstrategien.tumblr.com/>

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6 December 2014

Rural Wolds on Move. Winter conference of the British Agricultural History Society

London

‘Rural Worlds on the Move’ is a one-day conference addressing themes of migration of people and species in relation to rural life in Britain and Ireland between medieval times and the present.

Speakers are Professor Harriet Ritvo (Massachusetts Institute of Technology); Professor Mark Bailey (University of East Anglia); Professor Clair Wills (Queen Mary), and Dr Lyn Boothman (University of Cambridge).

The cost of the conference is £30 (with lunch) or £15 (without lunch). To register and view the full program, go to <http://www.bahs.org.uk/events.html>.

For queries please contact Paul Warde at [P.Warde \[at\] uea.ac.uk](mailto:P.Warde@uea.ac.uk).

6 – 7 February 2015

The Black Sea in the Socialist World

Birkbeck, University of London

CFP – Deadline **15 November 2014**

In May 1962, shortly before the Cuban Missile Crisis, Soviet premiere Nikita Khrushchev toured Bulgaria. Under banners declaring “Forward, to Communism!” at a mass meeting in Varna, a Bulgarian health resort, Khrushchev lauded the Bulgarian people for the way in which they had developed the Black Sea coastline. Model health resorts like Varna, which drew visitors from all over the world, were the pride of the Bulgarian people, he claimed. These resorts demonstrated the commitment of the socialist states to the health and welfare of the people. He contrasted the health resorts on the socialist side of the Black Sea to the NATO missile build-up across the sea in Turkey. The health resorts of the Black Sea demonstrated the peace-loving nature of the socialist states to the world. “The Black Sea should be a sea of peace and the friendship of the peoples,” he argued.

While interest in the place of the Black Sea in the history of tourism, public health and architecture has grown rapidly in recent years, leading to ground-breaking studies, these works have treated each topic and national context in isolation. Works on Cold War diplomacy, too, have not taken into full consideration the position of the Black Sea as a site of cultural and political diplomacy in the socialist world. This workshop seeks to bring together historians studying the Black Sea or whose work involves the Black Sea from a variety of perspectives and both historians of the Soviet Union and the Eastern Bloc. The objective of the workshop is to develop the idea of the Black Sea littoral as an international meeting place of the socialist world.

Participants are sought to present papers which may but will not necessarily fall into the following themes: The divided sea in the Cold War; the political context of Soviet-Turkish, East-West and socialist relations; ideas of Europe; international law; mobility, migration and tourism; commodities; socialist design and urban planning; environmental health; international congresses and festivals, and environmental history. Papers relating to all countries of the Eastern Bloc and the USSR, and which emphasize transnational and international components, are welcome.

Please send paper titles and abstracts (around 300 words) by November 15, 2014 to j.conterio@bbk.ac.uk. Workshop papers will be pre-circulated and are due January 15, 2015.

Please visit www.bbk.ac.uk/reluctantinternationalists

Please contact Johanna Conterio Birkbeck College, University of London, j.conterio@bbk.ac.uk

27 February 2015

Energy in History

Centre for History for Economics at the University of Cambridge

CFP – **30 November 2014**

The Centre for History for Economics at the University of Cambridge, UK, is organising a workshop titled “Energy in History” which will be held on 27 February 2015.

Confirmed participants include Sir Tony Wrigley (Cambridge) Paul Warde (Cambridge), Janet Stewart (Durham), and Frank Trentmann (Birkbeck). The organising committee consists of Kayt Button, Tae-Hoon Kim, Marta Musso, and Paul Warde

Proposals from early researchers working on any aspect of the history of energy are invited by 30 November 2014. Some funding to cover costs will be available.

Please visit: <http://eseh.org/cfp-energy-in-history/>

26 – 28 February 2015

Interdisziplinäres Symposium: Alles nur geklaut? Original, Kopie, Simulation und Innovation in Kunst und Technologie / Interdisciplinary Symposium on mutual Relations between Original Artefacts, Copies and Innovation Processes in the Arts and in Technology

Internationales Zentrum für Kultur- und Technikforschung und Abteilung Wirkungsgeschichte der Technik der Universität Stuttgart

CFP – Deadline **15 December 2014**

Please visit: <http://www.uni-stuttgart.de/hi/wgt/>

Please contact: Thomas Schuetz, Universität Stuttgart, Historisches Institut, Abt. Wirkungsgeschichte der Technik, thomas.schuetz@hi.uni-stuttgart.de

29 –30 May 2015

Nature Protection, Environmental Policy and Social Movements in Communist and Capitalist Countries during the Cold War

German Historical Institute, Washington, DC

CFP - Deadline **15 November 2014**

From the late 1940s until 1989, Cold War pressures and constraints affected environmentalism and environmental policy in Europe. Broadly speaking, for the first two decades of the Cold War, security concerns and the emphases placed on economic growth, on conformity, on (re)industrialization worked to limit both expressions of environmentalism and environmental regulation. For the last

two decades of the Cold War, however, environmentalism became one of the pressures of the Cold War, one of the arenas in which capitalism and communism competed for supremacy. Popular environmental movements and state environmental policies combined in complex ways, helping to shape the contours of the Cold War itself, as well as domestic politics and daily life in all those countries caught up in it.

This workshop will explore the similarities and differences in environmental policies and movements on both sides of Europe's Iron Curtain in the Cold War decades. We are seeking papers that explore the transnational entanglements of the topic. There are no restrictions on geographical region or environmental problems, but we ask the contributors to address in their papers at least some of the questions raised below:

1. What environmental issues were at stake and what were the environmental policies pursued to address those issues? In this connection: why did some issues take priority over others? Why did some policies and programs win support more than others? What role did scientific establishments play in shaping priorities and policies? What role did academic exchanges and East-West cooperation play?

2. What social movements developed as a reaction to environmental issues and policies? In this connection: To what extent did environmental groups exchange or share values, information, or techniques across the Iron Curtain? How relevant were the developments of local nature conservationists for the rising environmental movements in their own countries? To what extent, if any, did eco-criticism or environmentalism lead to the erosion of state legitimacy in communist and socialist countries?

3. What were the Cold War's effects on environmental policies? In this connection: How did the Cold War influence the decisions politicians made and what effects did these decisions have on the environment? Does the environmental history of Cold War Europe raise problems for traditional periodization of contemporary history?

The conference will take place at the German Historical Institute in Washington and will consist of panels with pre-circulated papers and 15-20 minute presentations. There will be no conference fee and the travel costs and accommodation will be covered. Coffee and meals as well as the conference dinner will be included for presenters.

Paper proposals of up to 500 words and an abridged curriculum vitae as well as all queries should be sent to Astrid Kirchhof (ak1353@georgetown.edu) by November 15, 2014. The workshop language will be English.

This conference will take place with the generous support of the VW Foundation, German Historical Institute, Washington, and the BMW Center of German and European Studies, Georgetown.

Please contact Astrid Kirchhof, ak1353@georgetown.edu

23/24 – 26 June 2015

Society for Philosophy of Science in Practice (SPSP) Fifth Biennial Conference

University of Aarhus, Denmark

CFP – Deadline **5 January 2015**

Please submit paper or session proposals via spsp2015.au.dk/submission

Notification of acceptance: 1 March 2015

Keynote speakers will include: Marcel Boumans (Erasmus University of Rotterdam), Nancy J. Nersessian (Georgia Institute of Technology), Hans-Jörg Rheinberger (Max Planck Institute for the History of Science), and Léna Soler (University de Lorraine (Nancy))

The Society for Philosophy of Science in Practice (SPSP) is an interdisciplinary community of scholars who approach the philosophy of science with a focus on scientific practice and the practical uses of scientific knowledge. For further details on our objectives, see our mission statement on our website at <http://www.philosophy-science-practice.org/en/mission-statement/>.

The SPSP conferences provide a broad forum for scholars committed to making detailed and systematic studies of scientific practices — neither dismissing concerns about truth and rationality, nor ignoring contextual and pragmatic factors. The conferences aim at cutting through traditional disciplinary barriers and developing novel approaches. We welcome contributions from not only philosophers of science, but also philosophers working in epistemology and ethics, as well as the philosophy of engineering, technology, medicine, agriculture, and other practical fields. Additionally, we welcome contributions from historians and sociologists of science, pure and applied scientists, and any others with an interest in philosophical questions regarding scientific practice.

We welcome both proposals for individual papers, and also strongly encourage proposals for whole, thematic sessions with coordinated papers, particularly those which include multiple disciplinary perspectives and/or input from scientific practitioners. You may wish to involve other members of SPSP (a listing is available on our website) or post a notice to the SPSP mailing list describing your area of interest and seeking other possible participants for a session proposal. (To post to this list or to receive updates on the conference, please subscribe via

<http://www.philosophy-science-practice.org/en/ mailing-list/>

Individual paper proposals must include a title and an abstract of 500 words, and full affiliation details and contact information for the author(s)/speaker(s). **Session/symposia proposals** must include an overall title for the session, a 250-500 words abstract of the session, and a 500-word abstract for each paper (or an equivalent amount of depth and detail, if the format of the proposed session is a less traditional one), and full affiliation details and contact information for each contributor. Session proposals should be submitted as a group by the organizer of the session; typically 3 standard length or 4 shorter papers can be accommodated within our usual session formats. Individuals should only appear on the programme once as presenters, and one additional time in another role (e.g., commentator, chair, or co-author). If in doubt, please contact the organizers in advance about your anticipated submissions.

There will be a pre-conference workshop on teaching philosophy of science to scientists to be held at Aarhus University, Aarhus on 23 June, as well as a pre-conference casual social event that evening.

For more information on local arrangements and updates on the conference, please see www.spsp2015.au.dk

Please contact Sabina Leonelli, S.Leonelli@exeter.ac.uk

27 – 29 August 2015

Warden of the West: The OECD and the global political economy, 1948 to present. OECD history project

University of Geneva, Switzerland

CFP – 10 December 2014

Even though ubiquitously mentioned in current affairs and in academic writing, the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) has remained one of the most elusive and under-researched international organizations. Founded in 1948 as the Organization for European Economic Co-operation (OEEC), a Western European institution charged with monitoring Marshall Plan aid, the organization was reorganized in 1961 as an Atlantic (including the US and Canada), and then triadic (Japan joined in 1964, Australia and New Zealand by 1974) think tank, in which Western countries coordinated their policies both in the Cold War setting and vis-à-vis the emerging power-bloc of decolonizing countries in the global South. After the end of the Cold War, the organization finally expanded its membership to include some emerging market economies and established its reputation as a key knowledge hub in the current era of globalization. Throughout its history, the OECD has worked on almost every subject of interest to national governments ranging from education (PISA rankings) to statistics to the environment, it has developed a series of unique modes of governance, and it has with varying success played more generally an important role as a warden of the West and of capitalist development.

However, we know surprisingly little about the OECD's longer-term dynamics, internal politics, or relations with other international actors. With this international conference we want to open up the history of this fascinating organization as a field of historical, critical, and source-based research. Political scientists, sociologists, and scholars interested in international political economy only started in the wake of the constructivist turn of the 1990s to pay serious attention to the OECD. Yet by focusing mostly on the OECD trajectory since the late 1980s, these accounts have not yet explored the historical dynamics and transformations of the organization since 1948. Further, while highlighting the soft power function that does characterize the present-day OECD, existing research has tended to downplay or even ignore the use and diffusion of «power» and political interests within and through the OECD and to neglect and thus obscure the foundational role of the OEEC/OECD's entanglements in late colonialism, in the Cold War competition, and the North-South tensions following decolonization.

To this first historical conference on the history of the OEEC and OECD we invite original source-based contributions that address the long-term history of this organization and analyze the OECD not as insular, but in its multiple relations to member states and other international organizations. In particular, we are interested in the organization's role in the Cold War conflict, its function as an ante-chamber to harmonize Western interests vis-à-vis the global South, the relation between the OECD and other international organizations such as UNCTAD, the UN, the EEC/EU, the ILO etc. Further, we would like to learn about the OECD's «peripheral» member countries (such as Ireland, Greece, Portugal, or Turkey) relation to the Organization as well as about the organizations entanglements in the internationalization and development of economics as a discipline.

We invite paper proposals on any topic or period that address the history of the OEEC and OECD and that are based on original research drawing upon archival sources, interviews, media reporting etc. If you want to participate in the conference, please submit an abstract of no more than 400 words and a short biographical profile of no more than 10 lines by 10 December 2014 to Prof. Matthieu Leimgruber (Matthieu.Leimgruber@unige.ch) and to Dr. Matthias Schmelzer (Matthias.Schmelzer@unige.ch). Successful applicants will be informed on or shortly after 15 January 2015. Full papers have to be submitted by 15 July 2015. Travelling and accommodation costs of the selected speakers will be refunded. We are also considering a publication linked to this conference and more information about the project will be available in early 2015.

Please visit:

<https://plone2.unige.ch/OECDhistoryproject/output/2015-oecd-conference-call-for-papers>

III. Courses, Fellowships, and Awards

7 – 9 November 2014

Courses on Engineering in Enlightenment

Segovia, Spain

The third course organised by the Spanish National Distance University (UNED) and sponsored by Fundación Juanelo Turriano, entitled Ingeniería de la Ilustración (Enlightenment engineering), will be held at UNED's associate facility in Segovia on 7 to 9 November. The course will address some of the many questions relating to the major works authored by eighteenth century engineers in cities and the countryside for a fuller understanding of these structures. This activity is intended for historians, engineers, art and science historians, architects, geographers and anyone interested in the subject and will include a visit to the military archive in Segovia. Directed by Alicia Cámara (UNED) and Bernardo Revuelta Pol (Fundación Juanelo Turriano), the course is worth one ECTS and two elective credits.

Please find more information on:

<http://www.juaneloturriano.com/noticias/2014/10/07/ingenier%C3%ADa-de-la-ilustracion.-curso-de-extension-universitaria>

Heinrich Winkelmann Fellowship of the Deutsches Bergbau-Museum Bochum

Deadline for Application: **8 December 2014**

The Deutsches Bergbau-Museum Bochum (DBM) provides two international postdoctoral fellowships for three months to support researchers who work in mining history, archaeology of mining or archaeometallurgy. Applications, which show a direct relation to the main research focuses of the DBM are preferred. The formulation of an application for third party funding to achieve an extended research project at the DBM can be a part of the research stay and is supported specifically.

The Montanhistorisches Dokumentationszentrum (montan.dok) including the records of the mining archive, the collections and the scientific library of the DBM are available for research to the fellowship holders. Besides, the DBM closely cooperates with the Department of History and the Department of Archaeological Sciences at the Ruhr University Bochum. Those research facilities are also available for the fellows. The fellows are expected to participate actively in the events and research discussions of the DBM and the Ruhr University Bochum.

Successful applicants need to have a PhD degree in history, archaeology, archaeometry or adjacent disciplines if coupled with a keen interest in the history or archaeology of mining.

The fellowships will be awarded for three months and will include a grant of 2,000 Euros per month and free accommodation nearby the DBM.

Please send in your application - in German or English - by 08 December 2014 including the following materials:

- curriculum vitae
- publication list
- project proposal (max. 5 pages)

Applications should be sent to:

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Thomas Stöllner (archaeology of mining, archaeometallurgy):

thomas.stoellner@bergbaumuseum.de or

Lars Bluma (mining history): lars.bluma@bergbaumuseum.de

Förderpreis der DGMNT 2015 / Price for Young Scholars of the German Society for the History of Medicine, Science, and Technology

Deadline of Application: **15 February 2015**

Please visit: <http://www.dggmnt.de/>

Please contact: Andreas Fickers, Universität Luxemburg, Andreas.Fickers@uni.lu

Programs of Support from the IEEE History Center, 2015-2016

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 the work to be performed at the IEEE History Center, on the campus of Stevens Institute of Technology in Hoboken, New Jersey, USA; there is no residency requirement for the dissertation fellowship.

IEEE Life Member Fellowship in Electrical History, 2015-2016

Deadline of application **1 February 2015**

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 2015. This completed application packet should be sent to the Chair, IEEE Fellowship in Electrical History Committee, IEEE History Center at Stevens Institute of Technology, Castle Point on Hudson, Hoboken, NJ 07030-5991. Applicants will be notified of the results by 1 June 2015.

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, 2015

Deadline of application **16 March 2015**

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 Stevens Institute of Technology campus in Hoboken, New Jersey, USA.

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.

There is no formal application form. To apply, please mail curriculum vitae showing your studies in electrical history along with a cover letter describing the sort of project you would be interested in doing (see contact information below). The deadline for contacting the IEEE History Center is 16 March 2015.

IEEE and Rutgers are AA/EQ employers. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply for all positions. The IEEE History Center is cosponsored by the Institute of Electrical and Electronics

Engineers, Inc. (IEEE)—the world’s largest professional technical society—and Stevens Institute of Technology. The mission of the Center is to preserve, research, and promote the legacy of electrical engineering and computing. The Center can be contacted at: IEEE History Center, Stevens Institute of Technology, Castle Point on Hudson, Hoboken, NJ 07030-5991, +1 732 562 5450, ieee-history@ieee.org, http://www.ieee.org/about/history_center/index.html.

IV. Miscellaneous

« Les sciences sociales au XXIe siècle ». Appel à initiatives

Appel à initiatives pour le 70e anniversaire de la 6e section de l'EPHE (2017) et le 40e anniversaire de l'EHESS (2015)

En 2015, l'EHESS fêtera le 40e anniversaire de sa création. Ceux qui connaissent l'histoire de notre École savent pourtant que ses origines remontent plus loin dans le temps, lorsqu'en 1947, sous l'impulsion de Charles Morazé et de Lucien Febvre, fut fondée la sixième section de l'EPHE consacrée aux sciences économiques et sociales.

La présidence de l'EHESS a décidé de célébrer ce double anniversaire : à une première vague d'événements scientifiques, commémoratifs et festifs programmée du 15 au 20 juin 2015, en succédera une seconde lors de la dernière semaine d'octobre 2017.

A la demande de la présidence de l'EHESS, un comité d'organisation a été créé fin décembre 2013. Il est chargé de concevoir la programmation des deux anniversaires. On trouvera au bas de ce message sa composition.

Ce comité lance aujourd'hui un appel à initiatives ouvert à toutes les catégories de personnels, tous les étudiants, toutes les formations doctorales et tous les services, ainsi qu'aux anciens élèves de l'EHESS.

Cet appel est destiné à soutenir des projets d'une durée de trois ans, dont les résultats seront présentés lors de l'anniversaire d'octobre 2017. Il comporte en outre un volet destiné à encourager des projets à plus court terme (dit « Appel à initiatives 40e anniversaire »).

Les propositions que le comité d'organisation retiendra, bénéficieront d'une labellisation « 70e » ou « 40e anniversaire » et pourront recevoir un financement.

Appel à initiatives 70e anniversaire

Quels domaines d'activité sont concernés ?

Les initiatives proposées peuvent concerner aussi bien la recherche que l'enseignement, les partenariats nationaux et internationaux, la diffusion des savoirs, le numérique, l'édition ou la vie passée et présente de l'établissement. Elles peuvent également lier entre eux plusieurs de ces domaines.

Quelle peut être la nature des initiatives proposées ?

La plus grande liberté est laissée concernant la nature des projets. Pourront être retenus, notamment, des projets de journées d'études, de séminaires, de colloques ou de cycles de conférences publiques ; de numéros de revue ou de publications ; d'enquêtes collectives menées par ou avec des étudiants ; de films ethnographiques, sociologiques ou autre ; de recueils de témoignages ; de programmes de collaboration menés avec des institutions culturelles ou autre ; de création de sites ; de programmes de numérisation de documents écrits ou visuels ; de vidéoconférences avec des universités étrangères ou d'autres lieux ; d'enquêtes photographiques ; de création de bases de données ; ou encore, de programmes d'intervention devant des publics citoyens ou lycéens. Cette liste n'est évidemment pas exhaustive.

Sur quelles thématiques peuvent porter les initiatives proposées ?

Un premier volet d'initiatives portera sur des thématiques dites « libres ». Dans ce cadre, les propositions inventives concernant certains aspects de l'histoire de l'EHESS ou de l'un ou l'autre de ses services ou de ses centres, ou encore l'œuvre de telle ou telle de ses figures illustres, auront leur place. Cependant, la visée n'est pas de porter un regard auto-centré sur l'École. Sont attendues des propositions permettant d'explorer, à l'échelle nationale et internationale, dans des champs ou sous-champs disciplinaires déterminés ou à leur croisement, voire dans les sciences sociales en général, ou encore, à leur interface avec les sciences de la vie et de la terre, l'évolution depuis 1947 ou depuis 1975 (ou sur des périodes plus récentes) :

- des méthodes ;
- des dispositifs de recherche ;
- des problématiques ;
- des pratiques d'écriture ;
- des débats théoriques...

Dans cet esprit, une place importante sera faite à la question de l'évolution des disciplines ainsi qu'aux initiatives liant la recherche à la pédagogie et à la diffusion des sciences sociales dans l'espace public. L'ouverture internationale sera privilégiée. De même que seront favorablement accueillies les propositions portant sur les tendances actuelles, y compris dans une démarche prospective.

Un second volet d'initiatives portera sur des thématiques dites « fléchées ». Il s'agit des thématiques suivantes :

- Les controverses en sciences sociales : enjeux, obstacles, modalités.
- Des sciences sociales pilotées par la demande sociale ?
- L'interdisciplinarité : slogan ou pratique ?
- Sciences de la vie, sciences cognitives : quel dialogue avec les sciences sociales ?
- L'EHESS et le pouvoir (politique, économique, intellectuel...).
- Les sciences sociales à travers le monde : singularisations ou standardisations ?

- La « révolution numérique » : objet et ressource des sciences sociales.
- Enseigner les sciences sociales, en France et dans le monde : de l'école primaire aux établissements d'enseignement supérieur et à la formation tout au long de la vie.
- Langues et langages dans les sciences sociales. Concepts, formalismes, traductions.
- Ignorance et prise en compte des points de vue « dominés » en sciences sociales.
- Recherche et expériences de la créativité : arts, techniques, sciences.
- Usages ordinaires et critiques « profanes » des sciences sociales.

Quelle peut être la temporalité des initiatives proposées ?

Les initiatives retenues se dérouleront sur trois ans, d'octobre 2014 à octobre 2017. Le projet qu'elles dessinent, fera l'objet d'une présentation lors de la semaine du 40e anniversaire (juin 2015). Les résultats auxquels elles aboutissent, seront présentés lors du 70e anniversaire (octobre 2017).

Qui peut soumettre une proposition ?

Tous les personnels des centres et des services, ainsi que les étudiants et les anciens élèves de l'EHESS, sont invités à soumettre une proposition. Les collaborations avec des collègues extérieurs aux centres et aux services de l'EHESS sont possibles.

Comment les propositions doivent-elles être rédigées ?

Les propositions, de huit pages maximum, comporteront, outre un argumentaire justifiant leur intérêt et leur adéquation à la perspective de l'anniversaire, des éléments concernant les personnes et les moyens qu'elles mobilisent, leur calendrier et, éventuellement, le budget demandé. Des précisions complémentaires pourront, au besoin, être demandées.

Quelle est la date-limite pour déposer une proposition ?

Deux sessions de dépôt de propositions sont organisées. La première aura pour date-limite le 22 juin 2014. La seconde, le 28 septembre 2014. Les propositions de la première vague seront examinées par le comité d'organisation au début du mois de juillet. Celles de la seconde vague, au début du mois d'octobre.

Appel à initiatives 40e anniversaire

Ce volet de l'appel vise à encourager des initiatives de plus courte durée. Celles-ci pourront avoir lieu durant la semaine du 40e anniversaire (du 15 au 20 juin 2015) ou se dérouler sur tout ou partie de la période comprise entre octobre 2014 et octobre 2015. Dans ce dernier cas, elles feront toutefois l'objet d'une présentation ou d'une mise en valeur lors de la semaine du 15 au 20 juin 2015.

Les domaines d'activité, la nature des initiatives proposées, ainsi que les thématiques, sont les mêmes que pour l'appel à initiatives « 70e anniversaire ».

Il en va de même concernant la qualité des porteurs d'initiatives et la date-limite de dépôt des propositions.

Concernant les modalités de rédaction des propositions, elles sont identiques à celles de l'appel à initiatives « 70e anniversaire », à cette différence près qu'elles ne doivent faire que trois pages maximum.

Il est à noter que certaines des initiatives retenues dans le cadre du 40e anniversaire, pourront être prolongées et transformées en initiatives pour le 70e anniversaire.

Informations pratiques

Les propositions peuvent être envoyées par mail à initiatives.anniversaire@ehess.fr ou par courrier à l'adresse suivante : Appel à initiatives 40e anniversaire / Présidence / EHESS/ 190 avenue de France/ 75244 Paris cedex 13.

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V. Recently Published Books

Heßler, Martina and Kehrt, Christian (eds.): Die Hamburger Sturmflut von 1962. Risikobewusstsein und Katastrophenschutz aus zeit-, technik- und umweltgeschichtlicher Perspektive. Göttingen 2014.

The sampler is dedicated to the 1962 storm flood, which had been really hard for the city of Hamburg. The authors analyse contemporaries' risk awareness and the development of flood protection in the 1960s, based on approaches of the history of technology and of environmental history.

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