

Preliminary Registration Form

HWC 2006

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Before 15 February 2006 After 15 February 2006

Registration fee: 330 € 390 €

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Collaborating Institution:



Heritage, Weathering & Conservation

Promoting Networks on Heritage Sciences



Instituto de Geología Económica
(CSIC-UCM)
Madrid, 21-24 June 2006

Introduction and Background

The Heritage, Weathering and Conservation (HWC-2006) Conference is intended to be a Scientific Meeting that brings together two Heritage related Networks: the Spanish Thematic Network of the Spanish Council for Scientific Research for the Cultural and Historic Heritage (RTPHC), organizing institution of the event through the Institute of Economic Geology, and an international network, the Stone Weathering and Atmospheric Pollution Network (SWAPNET).

The Spanish network **RTPHC** comprises scientific teams from several disciplines. Its main objective is to promote interdisciplinary scientific collaboration for the Conservation of Cultural and Historic Heritage.

SWAPNET is an informal association of academics, conservators and others interested in the processes and forms of stone weathering and the application of scientific methods to the conservation and preservation of natural building materials. Since then, it has broadened its scope to include other disciplines involved in various aspects of urban stone decay and as an informal group, aims to facilitate interdisciplinary links, the exchange of information and ideas and to provide means of avoiding duplication of research effort in stone decay studies.

Conservation of Cultural Heritage is a commitment of all countries around the world. Researchers contribute to Heritage Conservation from different disciplines. The Organizing Committee invites all the professionals participating in this Conference to transmit their experiences and knowledge through interdisciplinary networking, increasing awareness in the scientific community, companies and society.

Objectives

The main objectives pursued with HWC 2006 can be summarized in two aspects:

To gather all the professionals working in the field of Heritage Conservation (architects, geologists, chemists, geographers, restorers, historians, physicists, biologists, engineers, other etc), to obtain a multi-disciplinary approach to the conservation of heritage.

To facilitate and promote inter-disciplinary Networks across the field.

Field Topics

Proposed field topics are intended to be as broad as possible, in order to allow the participation of any Heritage-professional:

A. Materials Characterization: stones, mortars, ceramics, earthen materials, metals, timber, textiles, glass, papers, films, etc. Any building and cultural material related to Heritage is welcome.

B. Weathering/Decay: causes, mechanisms, factors, processes, both real and experimental weathering, of materials, buildings, monuments, archaeological sites.

C. Environmental factors of decay: climatic factors, atmospheric pollution and natural hazards.

D. Biodeterioration.

E. Conservation of Cultural and Heritage sites.

F. Historical, technological and social features of Heritage Conservation.

G. Analytical techniques.

H. Non-destructive testing.

I. Techniques and Methods for Conservation and Restoration: including both new and traditional methods.

J. Case Studies: this section is addressed to experiences in a global intervention and to practical performances.

K. Heritage Management and Policies: cultural, economic and social aspects.

L. Miscellaneous: this section is also open to suggestions and to any additional category not included in any of the above field topics proposed.

Contributions

Contributions will be accepted for oral or poster sessions. The final assignation of the session will be established by the organizing committee.

Official language

English will be the official language of the conference.

Publication

All contributions that are accepted will be refereed, by The Scientific Committee and published as a hard bound volume by a prestigious publishing house.

Venue

The conference will take place in Madrid, at the Headquarters of the Spanish Council for Scientific Research (CSIC). A technical visit to one of the cultural and monumental surroundings of Madrid is planned for the last day of the Conference, as well as some activities for evenings.



Deadlines

15 th April 2005	1 st circular. Call for Abstracts.
30 th June 2005	Reception of Abstracts (preliminary registration).
15 th August 2005	2 nd circular. Acceptance of Abstracts. Call for Papers.
1 st November 2005	Reception of Papers. Registration.
15 th February 2006	Deadline for reduced registration fee
15 th April 2006	3 rd circular.
21 st -24 th June 2006	Scientific Meeting.

Accommodation

Possibilities for hotel reservations will be offered at:

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