## Inventing Europe workshops Lisbon (Portugal), 9-11 October 2008

### Scientific Report

### General

The *Inventing Europe* meeting in Lisbon consisted of project meetings of all four collaborative research projects (EUWOL, SOFTEU, EUROCRIT and Water, Rail and Road) and of two originally recommended, but not funded projects (*Inventing and Governing Transnational Commons in Europe (EUROCOMMONS)* and *Transmitting and Receiving Europe (EUROTRANS)*). Besides project meetings there were plenary meetings to stimulate collaboration within Inventing Europe and with the projects EUROTRANS and EUROCOMMONS. This is important because both projects address subjects that are of crucial importance for the invention of Europe: broadcasting and common resources.

The workshop consisted of:

- A meeting of the Inventing Europe Scientific Committee.
- Individual project meetings that are organized by the Project Leaders.
- Plenary meetings that were organized by the chair of the Scientific Committee in collaboration with the Project Leaders. The plenary meetings were meant to stimulate collaboration and integration and to report on all IE activities, including 2008 Summerschool in Munich. Important issues during the plenary meetings were the proposed book series and the virtual exhibit.

# **Summary**

One of the aims of the meeting in Lisbon was to offer the four *Inventing Europe* projects the opportunity to discuss the state of affairs halfway through the *Inventing Europe* project and to discuss research results and the plans for the coming years. The agenda and set up of the project meetings were prepared by the project leaders.

Inviting EUROCOMMONS and EUROTRANS proved fruitful, also because the these projects are touching several of the *Inventing Europe* core themes (infrastructures, consumption, knowledge production). Also the projects give new insight in the way technology shaped new transnational resources and contributed to the regulation of their common use. These projects will deliver important data for the IE book series.

The plenary meeting about common products for the dissemination of research results was successful. As follow up of the July book series meeting in Florence the plans for the lay out of the book series were presented by the chair of the Scientific Committee Johan Schot.

For a broader audience a virtual exhibition is being developed. Robert Bud of the London Science Museum gave an overview of the project an stressed that for the first time the major European science and technology museums and scientists were collaborating to create a match between the research results and the museum collections. Editor Alec Badenoch presented the proposed setup of the virtual exhibition, while Brian Fuchs elaborated on the digital format and lay out.

Directly after the meeting the conference venue was used for the annual conference of the Society for the History of Technology (SHOT), internationally the most important organization for historians of technology. This provided an opportunity for individual researchers to present their *Inventing Europe* research for a larger scientific audience and get feedback.

## Final program workshop

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Workshop: Inventing Europe. A transnational history of European Integration Hotel ART's, Lisbon – Portugal, October 9-11, 2008

Organised by the Foundation for the History of Technology/Eindhoven University of Technology, in collaboration with the Universidade nova de Lisboa, Fundação da Faculdade de Ciências e Tecnologia.

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### Thursday, October 9

14.00-18.00 project meetings:

- Water, Road and Rail (WRR) meetingroom DIAMANTE I
- Software for Europe Constructing Europe through Software (SOFT-EU) -meeting room RUBY II
- Europe Goes Critical: The Emergence and Governance of Critical Transnational European Infrastructures (EUROCRIT) *meetingroom RUBY III*
- European 'Ways of Life' in the American Century: Mediating Consumption and Technology in the Twentieth Century (EUWOL) *meetingroom ART's I*

### Friday, October 10

9.00-13.00 Project meetings:

- WRR meetingroom DIAMANTE I
- SOFT-EU meeting room RUBY II
- EUROCRIT meetingroom RUBY III
- EUWOL meetingroom ART's I
- Inventing and Governing Transnational Commons in Europe (EUROCOMMONS)
  meetingroom DIAMANTE III
- Transmitting and Receiving Europe (EUROTRANS) meetingroom DIAMANTE II

13.00-14.00 Joint Lunch break

14.00-15.30 Joint plenary sessions with discussion time for integrating efforts, in particular integration of Radio and Eurocommons group into larger framework - meetingroom ART'S I

14.00-14.10 WRR

14.10-14.20 EUROCRIT

14.20-14.30 SOFT-EU

14.30-14.40 EUWOL

14.40-14.50 EUROCOMMONS

14.50-15.00 EUROTRANS

15.00-15.10 Survey project Inventing Europe

#### 15.10-15.30 Discussion

15.30-16.30 Presentation Book Series project, and discussion - meetingroom ART'S I

16.30-17.00 Break

17.00-18.00 Presentation of Virtual Exhibit Project, and discussion - *meetingroom ART'S I* 

18.00-18.30 Closing

Evening: Joint dinner

### **Saturday October 11**

9.00-13.00 Scientific Committee meeting- meetingroom ART's I

9.00-13.00 Project meetings:

- WRR meetingroom DIAMANTE I
- SOFT-EU meetingroom ART'S II
- EUWOL meetingroom AUDITORIUM
- EUROCOMMONS meetingroom RUBY III
- EUROTRANS meetingroom RUBY II

**Appendix: List of participants** 

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