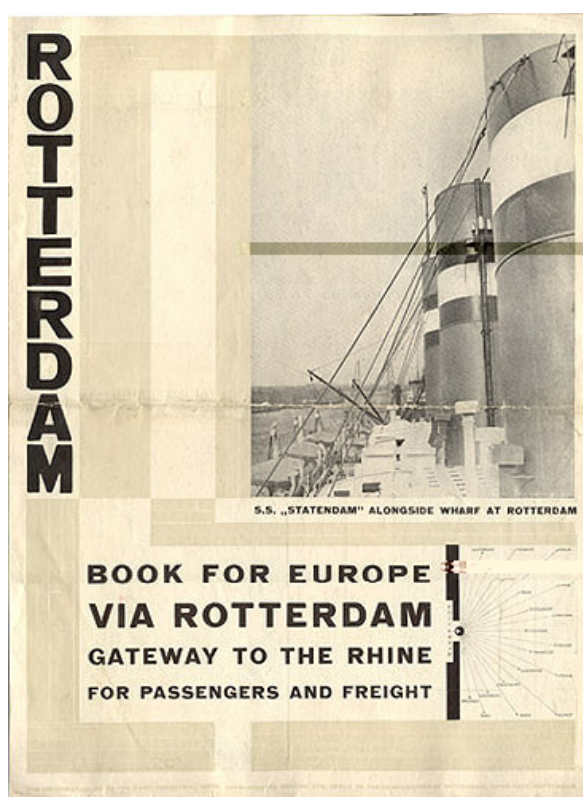


TENSIONS OF EUROPE (ToE) NETWORK NEWSLETTER

(3) May 2007

**Theme: ESF Inventing Europe Program Launch
and Third Plenary Conference of the ToE Network**



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Word from the Editor

In this brief newsletter, I would like to bring you up-to-date on the up-coming conference in Rotterdam and the results of the ESF EUROCORES "Inventing Europe" proposals. News of the final decisions took more time than expected, but I can relay the good news that four of the eight full proposals were awarded funding. You can learn much more about the projects at the meeting in Rotterdam where they will be presented in an innovative manner.

The launching of the ESF program and ToE conference in Rotterdam promise to be exciting. In the program, you will see a rich variety of round tables and research sessions organized by familiar ToE participants as well as newcomers. We are especially happy to have Charles Bright as our keynote speaker opening the conference with a discussion of the global. You can find the full conference program, updated today (21 May), at the end of the newsletter. Just in case you have not yet registered, website registration will be possible until 25 May. Be sure to book for Rotterdam via Europe!

In February, the ToE Management Committee met in Rotterdam. Members visited the Rotterdam conference site and reviewed the Program Committee's draft program. They discussed possible links between ToE and Inventing Europe as well as potential initiatives ToE may chose to take in the future. A report will be given at the Advisory Committee Meeting in Rotterdam.

The next newsletter will focus on the Third Plenary Conference in Rotterdam. If any of you would like to report on specific aspects of the conference, please let me know. I would also be delighted to receive information of interest to the network for the next newsletter. Please submit reports on your research projects, new publications, favorite websites, or relevant organizational news.

I look forward to seeing many of you, and hearing about your new research during the conference here in the Netherlands. During our social events, we will participate in the first ever European Taste Festival and more-- expect the unexpected.

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News

ESF Awarded Projects

Congratulations to participants in all four funded projects listed below! I trust the ToE community looks forward to the project presentations at the launch. For those of you not traveling to Rotterdam, you will find more information about the projects in the next newsletter.

European Ways of Life in the 'American Century': Mediating Consumption and Technology in the Twentieth Century. Project Leader: Ruth Oldenziel. Technical University of Eindhoven (The Netherlands)

Europe Goes Critical: The Emergence and Governance of Critical Transnational European Infrastructures. Project Leader: Jordi Martí-Henneberg, Universidad Lleida (Spain)

Software for Europe. Project Leader: Gerard Alberts, University of Amsterdam (The Netherlands)

The Development of European Waterways, Road and Rail Infrastructures: A Geographical Information System for the History of European Integration (1825-2005). Project Leader: Arne Kaiser, Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm (Sweden)

ToE Summer School

Cold War Technology in Europe
27 August-1 September 2007
Chios, Greece, and Izmir, Turkey

Application Deadline: 29 June 2007

The European Science Foundation
Inventing Europe EUROCORES

research program in collaboration with the Tensions of Europe Network, is organizing a Summer School on Cold War Technology in Europe. Inventing Europe doctoral students and junior scholars will attend. The Summer School is also open to doctoral students and junior scholars from the Tensions of Europe Network, and, to all other doctoral students or junior scholars interested in the topic. The summer school will be hosted by the History of Science and Technology Division, Philosophy and History of Science Department, University of Athens, Greece (www.phs.uoa.gr/ht/). It will take place on the island of Chios, Greece, and at the city of Izmir, Turkey. For more detailed information including application instructions, please see the ToE website.

For further information, contact Aristotle Tympas (tympas@phs.uoa.gr).

Conference

European Identity and the Second World War

Amsterdam 10-11 December 2007

European Identity and the Second World War is a cooperative project between the Huizinga Research School (NL) and Aarhus University (DK)

Abstract Deadline: 31 August 2007

Please see project website for conference information

www.europeanidentityww2.org

Latest Programme Update

**Inventing Europe: Technology and the Making of Europe,
1850 to the Present**

Third Plenary Conference of the *Tensions of Europe* Network

PROGRAMME IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE!!!

<p>Thursday 7 June 10.00 - 18.00 pm Registration and Information</p>
<p>Thursday 7 June 13.30 - 15.30 pm Walking tour (Pre-registration)</p>
<p>Thursday 7 June 18.00 - 19.00 pm Reception</p>
<p>Thursday 7 June 19.00 - 20.30 pm Opening Tensions of Europe Conference.</p> <p>1. Keynote and panel: A Global and Transnational Perspective on Europe</p> <p>Organiser Programme Committee Chair Johan Schot, Technical University Eindhoven, the Netherlands Commentator Helmut Trischler, Deutsches Museum, Germany Keynote speaker Charles Bright, University of Michigan, USA</p>

Friday 8 June
8.00 - 18.00 pm
Registration and Information

Friday 8 June
9.00 - 12.00 pm
Presentation of
***awarded Inventing Europe Research Programme**
***Inventing Europe awarded projects**

Friday 8 June
12.00 - 13.30 am
Lunch

Friday 8 June
13.30 - 15.00 pm
Research Sessions and Round Table

2. Railway Exchanges in 19th Century Europe

Organiser Karen Bowie, Ecole Nationale Supérieure d'Architecture de Versailles, France

Chair Eda Kranakis, University of Ottawa, Canada

Commentator Colin Divall, Institute of Railway Studies, York, UK

Papers The foreign study trips of French railway engineers, 1830-1845
- Karen Bowie, Ecole Nationale Supérieure d'Architecture de Versailles, France

The creation for French railway engineering and its exportation in Europe (1840-1900)
- Jean-François Belhoste, Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes, Paris

Examples of railway technology exchanges during the 1840's
- Paul Smith, Direction de l'architecture et du patrimoine, Ministère de la Culture, France

3. Risky Business: Large-scale Technologies and Projects

Organiser Programme Committee
Chair Karl-Erik Michelsen, South Karelian Institute, Finland
Commentator Phil Scranton, Rutgers University, Camden, USA

Papers The Channel tunnel: stunning achievement or spectacular failure?
- Terry Gourvish, London School of Economics, UK

Changing conceptualizations of technological risks and accidents in the transition from national to transnational European nations
- Aristotle Tympas, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece
- Stathis Arapostathis, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece
- Katerina Vlantoni, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece
- Yiannis Garyfallos, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece

4. Responses to Atomic Energy in European Popular Media, 1945-1970

Organiser Dick van Lente, Erasmus University of Rotterdam, the Netherlands
Chair Karin Bijsterveld, University of Maastricht, the Netherlands
Commentator Menno Spiering, University of Amsterdam, the Netherlands

Papers The atom and the public: popular representations of the nuclear age in six countries, 1945-1962
- Dick van Lente, Erasmus University of Rotterdam, the Netherlands

Confronting nuclear holocaust, confronting nuclear power: East and West German reactions in Transnational space
- Dolores Augustine, St. John's University, New York

Between technological enthusiasm and seismological Concerns: introducing nuclear technology to Greece
- Ilias Lemontzoglou, University of Athens and National technical University of Athens

5. Past and Future Tense: How History can play a Role in Policymaking

Organiser Judith Schueler, Stichting Toekomstbeeld der Techniek, Den Haag, the Netherlands
Paul Edwards, University of Michigan, USA

Chair Judith Schueler, Stichting Toekomstbeeld der Techniek, Den Haag, the Netherlands

Panel Tba
Peter Johnston, European Commission
Maarten Botterman, GNKS Consult, the Netherlands
Arne Kaijser, Royal Institute of Technology, Sweden

Friday 8 June
15.00 - 15.30 pm
Break

Friday 8 June
15.30 - 17.30 pm
Networks meet Networks

Friday 8 June
18.00 - 20.00 pm
Dinner

Friday 8 June
20.00 - 22.00 pm
Press Conference. Launch of Inventing Europe
Public debate

Saturday 9 June
8.00 - 13.00 pm
Registration and Information

Saturday 9 June

09.00 - 10.30 am

Research Sessions and Round Table

6. Aeronautical Exchanges: Transatlantic Competition and the Making of Europe

Organiser David Burigana, Padua University, Italy
Pascal Deloge, Louvain University, Marie Haps Institute, Belgium
Chair Waqar Zaïdi, Imperial College London, UK
Commentator Eric Bussière, Paris IV University, France

Papers *The European search for aeronautical technologies: with or without the American Steps and ways in the 60's and the 70's.*
- David Burigana, Padua University, Italy

The FN search for technological transfers (1948-1987); a search for survival and a contribution to a European aeronautical identity?
- Pascal Deloge, Louvain University, Marie Haps Institute, Belgium

The rationalization of the European aeronautics companies in the 1990's: the EADS example.
- Yohan Droit, University Paris IV, Sorbonne , France

7. Making the Link(s) between Infrastructures and Europe: Exploring Transnational Technologies

Organiser Alec Badenoch, Technical University Eindhoven, the Netherlands
Chair Robert Bud, The Science Museum, London
Commentator Jaakko Suominen, University of Turku, Finland

Papers *Exploring infrastructures at the scale of Europe: mediation, events, performances*
- Alec Badenoch, Technical University Eindhoven, the Netherlands

The makers of European space: legitimising the EU's role in shaping transnational territory
- Tim Richardson, Sheffield Hallam University / University of Aalborg

Eventing Europe: Broadcasting and the mediated performances of Europe
- Andreas Fickers, Utrecht University, the Netherlands
- Suzanne Lommers, Technical University Eindhoven, the Netherlands

8. National Identities and National Policies in European Information Technology: The image of IBM

- Organiser Gerard Alberts, University of Amsterdam, the Netherlands
Chair Paul Edwards, University of Michigan, USA
Commentator James Sumner, University of Manchester, UK
- Papers *Against a giant? German information technology policy and IBM, 1965-1980*
- Timo Leimbach, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, Germany
- Co-constructing technological capacity and national identity. Building the would-be first computer in post-war Finland*
- Petri Paju, Department of Cultural History, University of Turku, Finland
- Policy of a small country: the case of Czechoslovakia*
- Helena Durnová, Masaryk University, Brno, Czech Republic

9. Colonialism and the Creation of Europe

- Organiser Tiago Saraiva, Insitute of Social Sciences, New University of Lisbon, Portugal
Ana Cardoso de Matos, Universidade de Evora, Portugal
Maria Paula Diogo, Faculty of Science and Technology, New University of Lisbon, Portugal
- Chair Donna Mehos, Eindhoven University of Technology, the Netherlands
- Panel Charles Bright, University of Michigan, USA
Tiago Saraiva, Insitute of Social Sciences, New University of Lisbon, Portugal
Maria Paula Diogo, Faculty of Science and Technology, New University of Lisbon, Portugal
Pascal Griset, Université Paris -Sorbonne, France

Saturday 9 June

10.30 - 11.00 am

Break

Saturday 9 June

11.00 - 12.30 am

Research Sessions and Round Table

10. Europe's Engineers? System Building Actors in the 20th Century

Organiser Alec Badenoch, Technical University Eindhoven, the Netherlands
Chair Arne Kaijser, Royal Institute of Technology, Sweden
Commentator Cornelis Disco, University of Twente, the Netherlands

Papers *Universalism or Regionalism? The Work of the Advisory and Technical Committee for Communications and Transit of the League of Nations*
- Irene Anastasiadou, Technical University Eindhoven, the Netherlands
- Vincent Lagendijk, Technical University Eindhoven, the Netherlands
- Frank Schipper, Technical University Eindhoven, the Netherlands

Postmodern power: the cultural shift in electricity system building at the turn of the millennium

- Per Hogselius, Lund University, Sweden

Co-ordinating Visions: Trans-European Networks and Narratives of European Integration

- Alec Badenoch, Technical University Eindhoven, the Netherlands
- Rafaella Broft, Technical University Eindhoven, the Netherlands
- Marloes Heijden, van der, Technical University Eindhoven, the Netherlands
- Ingrid Heijden, van der, Technical University Eindhoven, the Netherlands
- Johan Schot, Technical University Eindhoven, the Netherlands

11. Media and the Making of Europe

Organiser Programme Committee
Chair Luda Klusakova, Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic
Commentator Onno de Wit, Presiding editor Tijdschrift voor Mediageschiedenis, the Netherlands

Papers *News heading north: The telegraph and the temporal representation of "Europe" in the newspapers of Northern Scandinavia, 1850-1870*
- Jonas Harvard, Department of Humanities, Mid Sweden University, Sweden

Inventing Northrhine-Westphalia on VHF - Transnational technological developments and the regionalization of the European Broadcasting Space

- Christian Henrich-Franke, University of Siegen, Germany

Communicating Europe: communication technologies in the Greek daily press, 1900-1910

- Eirini Mergoupi-Savaidou, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, National Technical University of Athens, Greece

- Faidra Papanelopoulou, Greek Open University, Greece

- Spyros Tzokas, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece

12. National Styles of Computing Development

Organiser Programme Committee
Chair Aristotle Tympas, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece
Commentator Tom Misa, University of Minnesota, USA

Papers *Contrasting views on software development within Philips-electroliga 1958-1970*
- Adrienne van den Bogaard, Department Philosophy of Technology, Delft University of Technology, the Netherlands

Has software development softened rigid European borders? What about electronics?

- Dimitris Ziakkas, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece

- Theodore Lekkas, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece

Transnational History of Computing: Appropriating European Markets

- Corinna Schlombs, University of Pennsylvania, USA

13. European Logistics, Market Scale and Giant Plants and Firms around 1900

Organiser Leslie Hannah, Department of Economics, University of Tokyo, Japan
Panel Ray Stokes, Centre for Business History, Scotland Department of Economic and Social History, UK
Camilla Brautaset, Dep. of History, University of Bergen, Norway
Phil Scranton, Rutgers University, Camden, USA
Leslie Hannah, Department of Economics, University of Tokyo, Japan

Saturday 9 June

12.30 - 14.00 pm

Lunch

Saturday 9 June

14.00 - 15.30 pm

Research Sessions and Round Table

14. Negotiating Technical Standards in 20th-Century Europe.

Organiser Lars Heide , Centre for Business History, Denmark
Chair Judith Schueler, Stichting Toekomstbeeld der Techniek, Den Haag, the Netherlands
Commentator Hans Weinberger, the Norwegian Museum of Science and Technology, Oslo, Norway

Papers *Negotiating radio waves in the 1920s: a common good?*
- Nina Wormbs, Division for History of Science and Technology, Royal Institute of Technology, Sweden

Negotiating the TETRA standard: Complex interactions between Dutch and European politics
- Anique Hommels, Department of Technology and Society Studies, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, University of Maastricht, the Netherlands

Shaping and applying welding standards: The Danish Welding Institute and Force Technology, 1940-2007
- Lars Heide , Centre for Business History, Denmark

15. State Power in Interwar Europe: Regulating Post and Telecommunications

- Organiser Jan Oliva, University of Bordeaux,, France, University of Prague, Czech Republic
- Chair Muriel Le Roux, National Centre for Scientific Research, CNRS, France
- Commentator Pascal Griset, Université Paris -Sorbonne, France
- Papers *The European airmail network in the interwar period, a global approach*
- Andrea Giuntini, Department of Economics, University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, Italy, France
- Mapping the ideal European network: a French perspective on the contested Europeanization of airmail at the beginning of the 1930s*
- Léonard Laborie, University Paris IV - Sorbonne, France
- State interventionism in Czechoslovakia in the field of post and telecommunications (1918-1938)
- Jan Oliva, University of Bordeaux,, France, University of Prague, Czech Republic
- Ivan Jakubec, Charles University of Prague, Czech Republic

16. Appropriating Technology in Europe

- Organiser Programme Committee
- Chair Mikael Hard, University of Technology, Darmstadt, Germany
- Commentator Karin Zachmann, University of Technology, Munich, Germany
- Papers *Wheels of desire. Automobile culture in the Soviet Union, the GDR and Socialist Romania.*
- Luminita Gatejel, Berlin School for Comparative History of Europe, Freie Universität Berlin
- Diafilm-Studio in the USSR in 1930-1980. Hand-made artifact adapted to the requirements of all-Soviet-Union market
- Anna Kotomina, Institute of General History, Russian Academy of Science, Moscow, Russia
- Modifying the Harvester for a German landscape: accounting for the environment in Transatlantic implement industry
- Gregory Shealy jr., University of Wisconsin at Madison, Berlin, Germany

17. Technology Dialogues: East and West

Organiser Pál Germuska, Institute for the History of the 1956 Revolution, Hungary

Chair Tba

Commentator Helmut Trischler, Deutsches Museum, Germany

Papers Al-Gaddafi's ears. The development of the radio reconnaissance instrument production in Hungary 1965-1985

- Pál Germuska, Institute for the History of the 1956 Revolution, Hungary

Coordination of the military research and development inside the Soviet bloc in 1950s.

- Irina Bystrova, The Institute of Russian History, Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia

Czechoslovak theater technology under communism: ambassador to the West

- Karen Freeze, Jackson School of International Studies/REECAS, University of Washington, USA

Saturday 9 June

15.30 - 16.00 pm

Break

Saturday 9 June

16.00 - 17.30 pm

IE-ToE Collaborative Sessions

18. Dream Factories: Communicating Industry and Modernism in the Baltic Sea Countries, 1945-1990s

- Organiser Birgitte Beck-Priested, The Worker's Museum in Copenhagen, Denmark
Marija Dremaite, Department of Theory of History and Cultural History, Vilnius University, Lithuania
- Chair Marija Dremaite, Department of Theory of History and Cultural History, Vilnius University, Lithuania
- Panel Andis Cinis, Latvian Academy of Arts, Riga, Latvia
Anne Marit Karlsen, Norwegian Museum of Science and Technology, Norway
Maths Isacson, Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm, Sweden
Anja Kervanto Nevanlinna, Department of Art History, University of Helsinki, Finland
Birgitte Beck-Priested, The Worker's Museum in Copenhagen, Denmark

19. Transnational Perspectives on European History

- Organiser Johan Schot, Technical University Eindhoven, the Netherlands
- Chair Johan Schot, Technical University Eindhoven, the Netherlands
- Commentator Tba
- Papers Constructing Dutch streets: a melting pot of European technologies
- Hans Buijter, Eindhoven University of Technology, the Netherlands
- The communication of architecture as a transnational experience. the CIAM and modern architecture in Poland*
- Martin Kohlrausch, Deutsches Historisches Institut, Warsaw, Poland
- European ways of knowledge – Shaping the European demography in institutional discourses (1900-1930)
- Heinrich Hartmann, Centre for French Studies, Free University, Berlin, Germany
- Anne Seitz, Centre Marc Bloch, Centre for Research in Social Sciences, Berlin, Germany

20. Research Collaborative Session 1
Tba

21. Research Collaborative Session 2
Tba

22. Research Collaborative Session 3
Tba

Saturday 9 June

19.00 - pm

Dinner. Tensions performance. Party

Sunday 10 June

12.00 - pm

Tour