Call for Abstracts
Deadline 30 September 2015

The Construction History Society is delighted to announce its third annual congress to be held on Friday and Saturday the 8th and 9th April 2015 in Queens’ College, Cambridge. This will include paper sessions over two days, keynote speakers, and a dinner for those interested in the college hall. Accommodation will be available in college for those that want to stay overnight from Thursday to Sunday. Day registration will be available.

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We are calling for abstracts for papers on all aspects of construction history (both technical and non-technical aspects of subject are welcome). Among technical issues covered are the history of construction materials and components, buildings, infrastructure, building form, construction processes and plant. Non-technical aspects of
construction history include funding, organisations, company history, labour, education and historical sources (a preliminary list of proposed sessions is supplied below- please indicate which sessions your paper would belong). The conference will not include papers about techniques of refurbishment of existing buildings or refurbishment of engineering structures.

Abstracts should be 200-300 words and include the title of proposed paper, name of author and contact details with university affiliation (if any). Abstracts should give an indication of where the paper sits within current literature on the subject and how the paper makes a contribution to the subject.

All abstracts should be submitted to chs@aha.cam.ac.uk

Abstracts will be peer-reviewed and the successful applicants will be asked to submit their final papers by 15 January. All those submitting must be prepared to attend the conference and present their papers in person. This is a condition of inclusion in the proceedings.

Submission of accepted papers

The final papers will be 8-12 pages in length in the proceedings including notes, references and legends, with a maximum of 10 figures. Papers must be submitted by 15 January 2016. All accepted papers will be published in the peer-reviewed proceedings. The current intention is to have the proceedings published in time for the conference itself.

Proposed sessions (please indicate which category or categories your paper would sit within)

Ancient Construction
Greek and Roman Construction
Medieval Construction
Seventeenth century construction
Eighteenth-century construction
Nineteenth-century construction
Twentieth century Construction (1900-1945)
Twentieth century Construction (1945-1999)
Brick Construction
Timber Construction
Iron and Steel Construction
Stone Construction
Vaults and arches
Roofs and floors
Women in Construction
Prefabrication
Staircases, escalators and lifts
Walls, Cladding and Curtain walls
Building services
Temporary works and fixings
Labour relations
Building Contracts & Site Organisation
Building Regulation
Books on Building Construction
Transfer of technology
Development of theory of structures
Teaching building construction
Biographical studies
Infrastructure (including Dams, Bridges, Roads and Railways)
Other (specify)

Any queries please contact Dr James Campbell (chs@aha.cam.ac.uk)