

**Call for Papers: 8th Gewina Woudschoten Meeting for Historians of Science in the Netherlands: Towards a History of Knowledge (Zeist, 21-22 June 2019; Deadline 15 January 2019)**



On 21-22 June 2019 Gewina, the Belgian-Dutch Society for the History of Science and Universities, will hold its 8th biannual meeting in the Woudschoten Hotel & Conference Centre (Zeist). This two-day conference brings together historians of science, medicine, and technology; historians of scholarship and universities; and all those from other fields with an interest in the history of knowledge. The theme of this year's conference is:

***Towards a History of Knowledge***

The Gewina Woudschoten Conference coincides with the launch of the *Journal for the History of Knowledge*, the new official journal of Gewina. The scope of *JHoK* serves to delineate the theme of the conference:

*JHoK* is devoted to the **history of knowledge in its broadest sense**. This includes the study of science, but also of indigenous, artisanal and other types of knowledge, often seen as weaker than science, as well as the history of knowledge developed in the humanities and social sciences. Special attention is paid to interactions and processes of demarcation between science and other forms of knowledge. Contributions may deal with the history of concepts of knowledge, the study of knowledge making practices and institutions and sites of knowledge production, adjudication and legitimation (including universities). Contributions which highlight the relevance of the history of knowledge to current policy concerns (for example, by historicizing and problematizing concepts such as the knowledge society) are particularly welcome. The journal is explicitly **global** in scope. It offers a platform for publications that concern western and non-western cases, that compare western and non-western knowledge making practices or that show the connections between concepts and practices of knowledge in different parts of the globe. Its **time-span** is antiquity to the present.

Over the past years, scholars such as Peter Burke, Lorraine Daston, and Philipp Sarasin have made a plea for the emergence of a new field of study: the history of knowledge. This new discipline adopts the study of all types of knowledge, including those which fit less comfortably in the category of

'science'. Examples include, but are not limited to, knowledge in the premodern era, in non-western cultures, and in the arts and humanities.

The organizers specifically invite contributions that reflect on this new field:

- What is the history of knowledge? How does it relate to the history of science?
- What should it be? Should there be multiple histories of knowledge?
- What do we gain by adopting the history of knowledge? What are the potential consequences and risks?
- What role can digital methods play in developing the history of knowledge?

Other proposals in the realm of the history of science, technology, medicine, universities, and knowledge are also welcome.

We invite the submission of proposals for individual papers, posters, and pre-organized sessions for the Woudschoten conference. Pre-organized sessions can be e.g. chaired sessions consisting of three papers, individual papers, panel discussions, posters, hands-on or digital humanities demonstration sessions.

Please send proposals of max. 200 words per paper / demonstration session to [office@gewina.nl](mailto:office@gewina.nl).

**Deadline for proposals is 15 January 2019;** applicants will be informed about the outcome of their proposal by 1 March 2019.



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**History of Science Society CALL FOR PAPERS**

**Utrecht, the Netherlands**

**Tues. 23 – Sat. 27 July 2019**

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE: 07 JANUARY 2019**

**[hss2019.hssonline.org](http://hss2019.hssonline.org)**

The History of Science Society (HSS) will hold its 2019 annual meeting in the beautiful Dutch town of Utrecht, a short train ride from Amsterdam.

Since this will be the HSS's first meeting outside of North America, and we will be closer to

scholars in Russia, in East and South Asia, and Africa, we especially encourage proposals that include scholars from different countries. The Society encourages submissions on all topics. Proposals (250-word maximum for abstracts) must be submitted via the HSS submission system on the meeting website:

hss2019.hssonline.org. Click *Abstract Submission* on the navigation menu. If you have did not create an account for the 2018 meeting website, you will have to create a new one in order to submit an abstract. Unlike many academic societies, the HSS does not require that participants be members, but all participants must register for the meeting.

## DIVERSITY

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We will give strong preference to sessions that reflect diversity, e.g. diversity in institutional affiliation, gender, and/or in professional rank. Only one proposal per person may be submitted – workshops, simply moderating a session, posters, and other non-typical proposals (e.g., interest group lectures) are excluded from this restriction (for a maximum of two presentations), but roundtables are not. If your name appears more than once, outside of these exceptions, you must choose which proposal will go forward. Prior participation at the 2017 (Toronto) and 2018 (Seattle) meetings will be taken into consideration.

## DEADLINE

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All roundtable, organized session, and contributed paper proposals must be submitted by 7 January 2019 (23:59 CET). See the chart below for how the deadline converts to your time zone or check this [online time zone converter](#). The HSS will work with organizers who wish to pre-circulate papers.

Tokyo	Utrecht	Greenwich Mean Time	New York	San Francisco
8 Jan 2019	7 Jan 2019			
07:59 (JST)	23:59 (CET)	22:59 (GMT)	17:59 (EST)	14:59 (PST)

The deadline for Flashtalks, limited to graduate students, is 4 February 2019 (23:59 CET).

## COLLABORATION

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To encourage and aid the creation of panels with strong thematic coherence that draw upon historians of science across institutions and ranks, the meeting website features a [discussion board](#) for users.

Anyone with

a panel or paper idea seeking like-minded presenters should post and consult the postings there to round out a prospective session. Alternatively, you may also search for collaborators on Twitter, tagging your post with

#hss19 #collab. Organized sessions have much higher acceptance rates than individual papers.

## GRANTS

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To defray travel costs, we will award National Science Foundation travel grants to graduate students, independent scholars, and recent PhDs (degree in the past 5 years) who are participating in the meeting. Only U.S. citizens or those studying at U.S. institutions are eligible for NSF grants. HSS will offer a limited number of travel grants for students, independent scholars, and recent PhDs who are participating but are ineligible for NSF grants. Dependent care grants (up to \$200) will be offered for

those who need such assistance. Additional information on these grants and instructions for application can be found on the meeting website.

## GENERAL GUIDELINES

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- Selection Guidelines: The Committee on Meetings and Programs (CoMP) has established a set of best practices and guidelines for proposal. Program chairs will look to these best practices and guidelines when accepting abstracts for the 2019 meeting.
- Additional instructions for abstract submission may be found on the meeting website. Please read these instructions carefully, as they have changed from previous years. Failure to comply fully with instructions or to complete the abstract submission process completely will preclude your submission from consideration.
- To preserve formatting of your abstract across platforms, only plain text is supported for abstracts. This means that bold, italic, and other formatting is not possible.
- All titles and abstract summaries should conform to the Chicago Manual of Style format. Easily confirm that your title follows CMS rules by using [capitalizemytitle.com](http://capitalizemytitle.com).
- Use the [contact form](#) on the meeting website for any additional questions or inquiries.

## UPDATES

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For the latest meeting updates, check the 2019 [meeting blog](#) and follow HSS on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#).



## Call for abstracts (2<sup>nd</sup> CfP)

Every two years the [Working Party on History of Chemistry](#) (WPHC) of the European Chemical Society (EuChemS) organizes an international conference on the history of chemistry, open to colleagues from all over the world. The 12<sup>th</sup> International Conference on the History of Chemistry (12ICHC) will take place from July 29<sup>th</sup> to August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 in Maastricht, one of the oldest cities of The Netherlands, which still has preserved much of its historical charm. The dates of the conference are chosen in such a way that those who are visiting the Annual Meeting of the History of Science Society (HSS) in Utrecht, The Netherlands, from 23 to 27 July 2019, can easily combine this with participation in 12ICHC.

The Conference will be hosted by [Maastricht University](#) (UM), a young university, founded in 1976, with a very international student population, and a strong research group in Science, Technology and Society (STS), including the history of science and technology. The conference will be sponsored by UM, the Royal Dutch Chemical Society and several other organizations.

The conference programme will include scientific sessions, key-note lectures, the WP business meeting, as well as social events such as excursions, receptions, and a conference dinner banquet. Key-note

lectures will be given by Marco Beretta (Bologna University), Carsten Reinhardt (Bielefeld University) and Lissa Roberts (Twente University).

The Steering Organizing Committee encourages the submission of panel/session proposals, but also welcomes the submission of stand-alone papers. Session organizers and contributors are free to send their proposals on any topic on the history of chemistry, broadly constructed as the cluster of molecular sciences, industry, and technology. A non-exhaustive list of possible sessions could include historical papers on the development of all aspects of material and life sciences, such as:

- Chemistry, professors, textbooks and classrooms
- Teaching and didactics of history of chemistry
- Chemistry and law: controversies, expertise, counter-expertise, fraud and activism
- Environmental chemistry, energy and regulation
- Chemical industry, its transition towards a circular economy
- Spaces and sites of chemistry
- (Post)colonial perspectives on chemistry
- Chemistry and its businesses in a globalizing world
- Changing concepts and practices in chemical engineering
- Commodities and commodification
- Modern chemistry and physics of semiconductors and nano-materials
- Chemistry and digital humanities; editions of manuscripts, etc.
- Instruments, collections and material culture
- Replication of historical experiments
- Periodic Table (2019 = International Year of the Periodic Table)
- Biographies, prosopography, and databases
- Chemistry, war and exile
- Representation of chemistry, and visual cultures
- Chemistry in the age of the Anthropocene
- Early modern art and chemistry
- Alchemy, Chemistry and Early Modern Science and Medicine
- Gender and chemistry

The Steering Organizing Committee consists of Christoph Meinel, Universität Regensburg, and Ignacio Suay-Matallana, Universidad Miguel Hernández (chairs of the committee), Cyrus Mody, Maastricht University (Steering Organizing Committee), Brigitte Van Tiggelen, Science History Institute (chair of the WPHC), and Ernst Homburg, Maastricht University (chair of the Local Organizing Committee).

### **Important Dates:**

Deadline for submitting proposals (both panels and individual papers): **15 January 2019.**

Notification of acceptance: 15 March 2019.

Early bird registration: before 1 May 2019 (see conference website for dates and fees).

Conference dates: 29 July – 2 August 2019.

### **Proposal guidelines:**

All proposals must be in English, the language of the conference. Submitted abstracts and session proposals will be subject to review by an international Advisory Committee. The conference is open to individual paper submissions, but preference will be given to organized sessions. The sessions should include about 3-5 papers, and no more than one session can be proposed by the same organizer. All paper proposals must use the templates provided on the conference web site. Panel proposals must include the template for panel proposal, jointly with the templates of each individual paper. All proposals should be submitted by email (by 15 January 2019) to: [ICHC2019MAASTRICHT@gmail.com](mailto:ICHC2019MAASTRICHT@gmail.com)

For more information about session or paper submission, deadlines and practical arrangements can soon be found on: [www.ichc2019.org](http://www.ichc2019.org)

Contact information for practical questions: [ICHC2019MAASTRICHT@gmail.com](mailto:ICHC2019MAASTRICHT@gmail.com)