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General Survey
Last year in the general introduction to the annual report on 2009 I described in detail the major changes that were imminent at the IISH. This time, I am pleased to show that we have moved beyond words; that in addition to announcing our intentions, we implemented several major changes in 2010. In addition, 2010 was our 75th anniversary of the IISH and was occasion for a great celebration.

The first major change consisted of completely reorganizing the Collections departments. Last year I indicated why rapid technological advances and the corresponding new expectations among our users necessitated thorough reorganization of the departments where materials are processed, catalogued, and made available. This reorganization was carefully planned. First, we worked with external specialists on an exhaustive analysis of ‘user needs’ and internal operating procedures to identify inefficiencies and bottlenecks. Following this exercise we selected a new organizational model to replace the old system comprising seven relatively small, specialized sub-departments organized in some cases by material type (archive, library, image and sound) and in others by activity (conservation, stacks, services). The new structure is based not on the classical distinction between front office and back office but on a matrix model, consisting of a single department, where the available manpower is deployed flexibly, in that the composition of teams working on specific tasks and projects varies. This system is designed to ensure optimal matching of tasks and resources. Staff members will need to adjust to an entirely new style of working, with far broader job descriptions, which will obviously require investing in expanding their knowledge and skills. After all, a colleague who in the past was stationed exclusively at the service
desk in the reading room may now also be assigned to process a new photograph collection or to scan archival documents requested by users elsewhere in the world.

Once the new organizational structure was adopted and approved by the employee representatives, the new team of four supervisors was appointed, after which all other staff members were reassigned within the organization. At the end of the year the reorganization had been completed. Of course, this was only the first step. In the coming year the reorganization will need to be implemented properly and carefully. Many reorganizations that look very promising on paper fail at this stage, and this outcome is to be avoided at all costs. Partially or poorly implemented reorganizations make for cynical and dissatisfied staff members.

The second major project carried out in 2010 was the restructuring of our collection development and research departments. Last year I described why the IISH believes that both research programme and collection policy should focus more on the ‘global South’, and that the industrialized world should receive less emphasis. One reason was the wide variety of labour relations in the South, making this area attractive for research by an institute dedicated to comparative study of global labour relations. The other reason was the need for the rescue operations that the Institute has traditionally organized. In the South the danger that the legacy of social movements will disappear as a consequence of poor material conditions or political repression is very real, far more so than in industrialized nations.

To this end, senior researchers were appointed for South Asia, Russia, the Middle East, Africa, and Latin America in 2010. These senior researchers are now responsible for collecting materials in their respective regions as well. Although all but one of these senior researchers are based in Amsterdam, they are assisted by regional representatives. In addition to the representatives in Moscow and Bangkok, who were already active, representatives have now been appointed in Istanbul and Ranchi (India) as well. Regional representatives based in Addis Ababa (Ethiopia) and in Latin America are to be appointed in 2011. Within the Collection Development Department, lively monthly consultations now take place, at which, in addition to the regional specialists, the subject specialists for the
Netherlands, international organizations, and economic history are present. As happened with the reorganization of the Collections Department, careful implementation of the plans is once again the top priority. In addition to all kinds of technical issues (payments, transport, guidelines for describing items, standards for scans), there are matters of principle, such as defining the collection profile. The IISH needs to be able to define clearly what is collected at the Institute for internal and external reasons alike. Since expanding the geographic scope has eliminated other circumscriptions, identifying the present scope is all the more important.

In 2010 the globalization process included launching the fellowship programme subsidized by the SNS REAAL Fund. This programme enables young researchers who recently took their PhD degrees to reside in Amsterdam for five months and conduct research at the IISH. In 2010 the first group of three fellows arrived from Russia, Iran, and India, and the second and third groups, scheduled to arrive in 2011 and also from Russia, Asia, and the Middle East, were selected. The programme appears to meet a serious need (only one out of every ten applications was approved), and the influx of young adults from outside Western Europe enhances staff diversity at the Institute.

The Academic Advisory Board of the IISH, which performed a mid-term evaluation at the Institute in January 2010, praised the dynamic adoption by the IISH of the Board’s recommendations from its previous evaluation in 2007. The new course chosen met with approval, and the Board, while noting that this course was very ambitious, expressed confidence that the IISH would succeed. The sole point of criticism was that the institute does not have any expertise on China and is not building any either. While the IISH agrees with this conclusion, lack of resources has thus far prevented us from designating China as a field of operation.

In 2010 the IISH divested Aksant publishers, affiliated with the Institute, which had been privatized the year before. Aksant’s operations were transferred to Amsterdam University Press (AUP), for two reasons. The first was financial: in the five previous years, the IISH and the Stichting Beheer IISG had spent substantial amounts to cover the publishing company’s operating losses.
Although prospects had improved by 2009-2010, we believed that profitability was unlikely, even in the long run. The other reason concerned the content: IISH research accounted for only a small part of the Aksant list. Conversely, IISH research is published primarily in the Institute’s series with academic publishers, such as Brill, Lang and Berghahn, and Ashgate. The directors of Aksant have tried very hard to reach a good deal for the IISH, especially for the two Aksant staff members, who are now fully employed at Amsterdam University Press and appear to have landed on their feet there. AUP will continue to publish one of the two periodicals of the IISH (Tijdschrift voor Sociale en Economische Geschiedenis), and discussions are in progress about launching a joint Open Access series.

The events described above were visible to everyone in 2010. Other major changes in progress behind the scenes will be at least as important for the work of the IISH and its users but were largely invisible during the year under review, including: building an entirely new website that will hopefully be as richly diverse as the present one but far easier to navigate; selection of a new visual style, and the transition to a new electronic catalogue system. I am certain that I will share additional information about these items next year.

In addition to all the reorganizations, another event that made 2010 very special was of course the 75th anniversary of the IISH. The elaborate celebrations included a staff party, master classes, and public lectures, with as unquestionable highlight the review exhibition Rebels with a Cause. The IISH at 75, organized in conjunction with the Special Collections Department at the University of Amsterdam. The exhibition featuring approximately 250 authentic specimens from the collection revealed the broad scope of the collections and explained how they came about. The display was open to the public from late October until late January, drawing about 75 visitors a day on average. An abridged version of the new institute video issued this year was featured at the exhibition as well.

The exhibition was accompanied by a wonderful book that was both a magnificently illustrated catalogue and the first really good account of the history of the IISH. The book was published simultaneously in Dutch (Wereldverbeteraars!) and in English (Rebels with a Cause) and is certain to remain important for the Institute for
many years to come. The book is also the initial outcome of another multiyear project started last year – “Memory of the IISH” – and aimed at recording and thus preserving for the future the knowledge of a generation of departing subject specialists responsible for building the European collections. A series of publications about the history of parts of the collections is in the pipeline and will appear either on the website, as monographs, or in both formats. In 2010 all staff members were offered a guided tour of the exhibition by the catalogue’s authors. The tremendous interest has helped reinforce the collective memory of the IISH. Other anniversary activities were: public debates in Amsterdam’s city centre and the announcement of the Volkskrant-IISH Master thesis award in December 2010.

The anniversary activities brought the IISH a wave of favourable free publicity. National and Amsterdam press, a great many radio stations, and even television news featured us in reports and interviews, bringing us closer to the objective formulated in last year’s annual report: raising public awareness about the Institute and benefiting from the abundant interest in history and heritage.

Throughout this elaborate “remodelling” of all aspects of the IISH, we remained open for business. This is literally and metaphorically true. In June our Social History Shop was launched on the web, selling reproductions of posters and photographs from our collections. This project, conducted with support from the IISH Foundation, is going quite well and looks likely to meet its target for the first year. Afterwards, the Social History Shop will need to increase sales gradually to at least 400 posters a year to generate a profit. All profits will be used toward the Institute’s collections.

Business continued as usual in a metaphorical sense as well, in that research and collection development, processing and services remained fully operational, generating many hundreds of meters of acquisitions, exciting new research and an extensive list of publications, as described elsewhere in this annual report. Here, I will mention only that Project HOPE (History of the People’s Europe), approved and funded by the European Union in 2009, was launched during the year under review. In addition, NWO approved the similarly expansive Clio-Infra project, with considerable
matching funds from the KNAW. The IISH is the main contractor for both projects and works with several partners. HOPE envisages a portal offering standardized access to the digitized social history collections of 13 European institutes, and Clio-Infra will gather research data from all over the world in a data bank or data network, featuring data on global income inequalities from the early modern period to the present.

Meanwhile, work continued on projects and programmes applying the Global Labour History approach of the IISH to specific cases. Following in the footsteps of the Plants, People and Work project, which examines the labour market effects arising from the extension of tobacco, sugar, and indigo production from America to Asia, during the year under review new projects were dedicated to the social history of the Iranian oil industry and the diamond industry in Europe and India. In addition, the first workshop took place in the Fighting for a Living project on military recruitment and labour relations in the military. An African section was added to the Global Collaboratory on Labour Relations.

Labour migration remains another important focus of research at the Institute, and the launch of the website vijfeeuwenmigratie.nl, which presents the migration history of the Netherlands since 1580, drew considerable interest on 28 November 2010.

In addition to the many regular workshops held at the IISH and described elsewhere in this annual report, the IISH organized two very large congresses: the European Social Science – History Conference (ESSHC) and the Conference of the Comité International des Sciences Historiques. The ESSHC, which has been organized by the IISH since it was launched fifteen years ago, has now expanded into a conference that draws 1,350 participants and was held in Ghent in 2010. The major ICHS conference, which took place in Amsterdam and drew a similar turnout, was dedicated to “Water in History.” The conference secretariat received great praise for the relaxed efficiency of the conference, which, doing justice to its theme, coincided with a heavy rain over Amsterdam. In the course of 2010, the IISH considered its position in national and international networks that are immensely important to the Institute. The ESSHC was identified as the core network for research
activities at the Institute among the international networks, while
the IALHI (International Association of Labour History Institutes)
was attributed this status for collections. Following up on this
decision in September, the IISH organized the annual conference of
the IALHI, where as general director of the IISH I was elected
secretary of the organization. Consultation about the ESSHC and the
IALHI now figures within the regular meeting agenda of the
Institute administration. The research department is now in the
midst of setting up an international academic Global Labour History
network, with potential partners in Berlin, at Harvard University,
and in Brazil and India.

Clearly, the IISH has had a year of very busy but also very successful
activities. This is all the more remarkable, considering the financial
context of the events. In 2009 the Institute had ended the year with
a very substantial financial loss of 338,700 euros. The causes were
both non-recurring and ongoing. The most important one was and
remains that payroll is excessive for the Institute, leading the IISH
to rely too heavily on obtaining project funding and leaving too little
leeway for investing in new developments. In 2010 the IISH rigidly
controlled spending in all fields and started trying to raise outside
funding. The only real solution, however, is to reduce permanent
staff. Attractive personal redundancy plans for interested staff
members were introduced in 2010. The Institute received support
toward this cause from the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and
Sciences (KNAW). While 2010 ended without a major deficit, the
IISH budget was cut by 160,000 euros from 1 January 2011, because
the Virtual Knowledge Studio, an academy project group based until
then at the IISH and benefiting from the IISH facilities, has been
discontinued. Restoring the finances of the Institute will therefore
remain the top priority of the administration in 2011.

In concluding this introduction, of course I wish to thank and
express my appreciation for the dedication of the IISH staff, who
coped with several sweeping changes in 2010 and did a lot of extra
work to make the anniversary celebration a success, while doing
such a good job of keeping operations going that our thousands of
reading room visitors and millions of website visitors experienced
virtually no interruptions.

Erik-Jan Zürcher
### The Institute in Figures

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## Financial Survey

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Social Survey

At the end of 2010 the IISH had 147 staff members. The majority (91) is employed by the KNAW, with 90 holding permanent contracts of employment and 1 a temporary contract. The increase in KNAW staff members is the result of transferring the employment contracts of several staff members from the IISH Foundation to the KNAW. The Stichting employs all 37 project staff and 10 permanent staff, including 5 working as part of an incoming/mobility plan. Two workers have been seconded to the Institute, and four are here as part of a work experience programme.

As described in the General Survey, appointments changed dramatically during the year under review as a consequence of rearrangements, reorganization, and acquisition of the publishing operations by Amsterdam University Press. The list of staff members and their respective departments is now entirely different as well. The Reading Room & Website, Archives, Books & Periodicals, Collection Preservation & Management, Repro & Stacks, and Image & Sound in the Collections Department task forces have been disbanded and have been replaced by the Collection Processing & Services Department. The new organizational structure was introduced on 1 December 2010. On 1 December 2010, 31 staff members were assigned new job titles as a result of this reorganization, and 3 staff members, including the head of the Reading Room & Website task force, were transferred to the Communications & Image Preparation Department as of 1 December 2010, as were staff members from the Migration History Website project, who report to the former head of the Reading Room & Website task force. The majority of the staff works part-time, with the ratio of part-time to full-time staff presently equalling 74 and 26 percent, respectively. Men continue to account for the majority as well (55.1 percent) and are also overrepresented in the top salary grades, while women still dominate the middle grades. On 31 December 2010 the average age was 49.7.

In 2010 23 new staff members were hired, while 16 left the Institute, including 4 with permanent employment contracts. The absenteeism rate was 4.12 % in 2010, slightly higher than it had been the previous year (3.93 %). In 2010 the administration met five times with the Staff Council. Interactions were pleasant at these meetings.
Staff Council

The Staff Council (OC) elected in 2009 comprises 5 members. Two vacancies remain. All departments are represented on the OC, except for the Research Department. In 2010 the OC members included Gerben van der Meulen (chair), Hans Staphorst (deputy chair), and three secretaries: Ineke Kellij, Joris van Waesberge, and Ole Kerpel.

The OC has agreed with the administration to alternate chairing the consultative meetings and to make openness and transparency priorities. The OC met with the administration 6 times in 2010. The topics discussed were as follows:

Reorganization of the Collections Department. Following extensive review and in consultation, the OC advised the administration. The first proposal from the administration that the OC approved was to appoint 4 supervisors. The OC approved the staff plan as well.

Remodelling the fifth floor (will continue into 2011). The OC has helped consider financing options and has advised the administration.

Digital infrastructure placement plan. The administration presented this plan to the OC. The OC accepted it. This reorganization will be evaluated in 2010/2011.

Virtual Knowledge Studio (VKS). The VKS is leaving the IISH in 2011. The consequence will be a drop in income for the Institute. The OC discussed this problem with the administration of the IISH.

Outsourcing office automation. The OC discussed the matter repeatedly in 2010. Decisions about outsourcing will be reached in 2011.

Arrangement for IISH staff to work from home. Working from home is possible for Institute employees in special cases but will not be encouraged by the administration. This is incompatible with the new Institute method, which encourages togetherness. The OC advocates a more flexible policy on working from home.

Accessions

In 2010 the Institute received archives spanning 702 meters (gross), resulting in 463 meters net growth in the archival holdings. The audiovisual collections finished the year with an additional 565 posters and over 25,000 photographs. Considerably fewer books were
acquired than in previous years (1,429 titles). This is due to budgetary constraints but also reflects a deliberate transition from published to primary materials. Acquisitions by the collection development department of the IISH included the following highlights in 2010:

- A collection of documents related to the Revolutionary People’s Liberation Party/Front (Devrimci Halk Kurtuluş Partisi/Cephesi – dhkp/c). This collection consists of about 500 video films, hundreds of pictures, and handwritten journals of this left-wing political organization established in the early 1970s, as well as letters from militant members currently incarcerated in Turkish prisons.
- A collection of scans of 2,450 pages of documents from originally Russian archives in Baku about working and living conditions among the workers in the Caucasus in general and in the Baku oil industry in particular (1900-1914). The collection comprises detailed reports on living conditions, including reports on nutrition, hygiene, and housing among workers in the Caucasus in the early decades of the twentieth century. The collection also includes reports by the Tsarist secret police and gendarmerie on the workers’ pursuits, political activities, unionism, and strikes during this period.
- A collection of digitized documents concerning the Green Movement in Iran. This collection consists of 3,500 digital pictures, posters, leaflets, and pamphlets distributed in different cities in Iran following the 2009 presidential election. The Green Movement was the name of the democratic opposition force that denounced the elections as fraudulent.
- Posters and prints designed by Rudi Seidel (b. 1938). The IISH already had a sizeable collection of Seidel’s work, but the Institute has now received all missing items as well. This includes a huge woodcarving (2.40 x 5.40 meters) entitled “Small Vanquishes Big”, printed from 27 separate blocks
- Important additions to the archive of the Vereniging Gemeenschappelijk Grondbezit (Society for Joint Landownership). The society was founded by Frederik van Eeden in 1901 to bring land and means of production under communal ownership. The addition includes books of minutes, handwritten annual reports, and incoming correspondence and covers the years 1903-1935.
- The Brünn-Harris-Watts Archives. A collection spanning about 200 meters, known as “the soldiers’ archive”, “the soldiers’ rights archive”, or “the soldiers’ resistance archive”, were transferred from Berlin to Amsterdam in September. The collection is named
after the three founders. Wolf Dieter Brünn (1951-2010) maintained
the archive. Most of the documents were collected by David Harris
(1938-2006), a former GI who founded the GI Counselling Center in
Berlin in 1974, and by Max Watts (1928-2010), born in Vienna as
Thomas (Tomi) Schwaeutzer. The archive is not yet accessible, as this
process will be very labour-intensive, and important additions are
expected.

• The Eberhard Dähne Archives. Eberhard Dähne (1938-2010) was
born in Freienwalde, Brandenburg, Germany. Alone, he left the GDR
at age 15. He went to Kiel to study agriculture and was involved in
the Sozialistischer Deutscher Studentenbund (sds), becoming chairman in
1961. In 1968 he founded the Institut für Sozialwissenschaftliche
Forschung (Institute for Social Science Research). In Marburg he was
active in the local branch of the Deutsche Kommunistische Partei (dkp,
German Communist Party) and various trade unions. In 1972 he
received a PhD in sociology. From 1973 to 1989 he was a staff
member of the Institut für Marxistische Studien und Forschungen
(Institute for Marxist Studies and Research) in Frankfurt am Main,
where he specialized in municipal government. In 1989 he left the
dkp. From 2001 to 2006 he was a city councillor in Frankfurt, and
as such represented the Democratic Socialists (PDS), although he
was not a member of that party.

• The private papers of Walter Kendall (1926-2003). Managing editor
of Voice of the Unions in the early 1960; cofounder of the Institute of
Workers’ Control 1968; fellow of the Centre for Contemporary
European Studies at Sussex University, where he published
The Revolutionary Movement in Britain 1900-1921. The archives contain
correspondence and scrapbooks with articles in The New Dawn, Railway
Review, Socialist Leader, Tribune, Voice of the Unions, Avanti, Critica Sociale,
and other periodicals (1956-1995), correspondence (1955-1964),
documents on the National Workers’ Control Conferences held in the
United Kingdom, and other conferences on Workers’ Control
1964-1984, and documents on the Polish Solidarity Campaign

• Pursuant to an agreement between the Institute and La Via
Campesina, lvc will periodically entrust its archives to the IISH. At
present the collection is small, but lvc is gathering the archives
from the different places where its secretariat was based in recent
years. La Via Campesina (International Farmers’ Movement), founded
in 1992 by farmers’ organizations from Europe and Latin America,
is an international movement of peasants, small and medium-sized
producers, landless, rural women, indigenous people, rural youth, and agricultural workers. The movement now comprises 148 member organizations and is active in nearly 70 countries.

- The archive of the British anarchist and publicist Colin Ward (1924-2010) was donated to the IISH in 2010. Colin Ward became acquainted with anarchism while serving in the military in Glasgow. After the Second World War, he joined the editors’ team of the anarchist weekly Freedom and contributed to the journal from 1947 until 1960. He subsequently headed the monthly Anarchy, until it ceased publication in 1970; afterwards he wrote books, focusing on themes such as housing, architecture, urban planning, children, and education. In all these publications, he explored how people related to urban settings from an anarchist perspective. The archive has already been arranged by Tiny de Boer (her final project before retiring). In addition to correspondence, texts from articles, lectures, books, and reviews, the archive contains eleven scrapbooks about architecture and his work from 1943 until 1999. The papers span 7.85 m.

- The complete records of the Central Zone Commission (CZC) and the All Island Commission (AIC) of Inquiry into Disappearances of Persons in Sri Lanka. In 1995 Sri Lanka’s President Chandrika Bandaranayake appointed three Commissions of Inquiry known as the Zonal Commissions. In 1998 another commission, the All Island Commission (AIC), was appointed and granted jurisdiction throughout the island. The records brought together by these Commissions are a unique and valuable repository of information on human rights violations in Sri Lanka during and after the Janatha Vimukthi Peramuna (JVP) uprising of 1987-89.

- A collection of leaflets, small print-run serial publications, internal memos, and handwritten reports of political meetings and party gatherings, documenting the activities of the grass-roots democratic movement in St. Petersburg from its inception during the Perestroika years in the late 1980s until the mid-2000s.

- A unique collection of about 6,000 pins and buttons from various Soviet organizations, not available to the general public but awarded at special occasions or in recognition of specific merits and services.

- The private papers of Angus Maddison, world-famous economic historian and specialist on global economic growth. The archive contains his vast correspondence (40 meters) with fellow professionals, manuscripts, and correspondence from the early years of the OECD. The Angus Maddison collection beautifully complements other collections of important scholars at the IISH, such as that of Andre Gunder Frank. Parts of Maddison’s library were also acquired.
Rudi Seidel (b. 1938) has been an artist his entire life and also designed posters from the late 70s until the mid 80s. The IISH collection already features many specimens of Seidel’s work. Back in 1978, a poster designed by Seidel for the campaigns against nuclear weapons caught the attention of Wim van der Linden, head of the iconographic department at the IISH. In August the IISH received all posters and prints by Rudi still missing from our collection, including his protest against the militarism and nuclear arms, the enormous woodcarving “Het kleine overwint het grote” [Small vanquishes big]. This mega print from 1983 measuring 2.40 x 5.40 meters is printed from 27 separate blocks of wood.

The IISH received a substantial accrual to the archive of the Vereniging Gemeenschappelijk Grondbezit (GGB), established by Frederik van Eeden in 1901. Van Eeden’s Walden settlement in Bussum set an example in the GGB. The objective was joint ownership and use of land and production means. The archive conveys an impression of the early days of a movement. The accrual encompasses volumes of minutes from board meetings (1916-1931), handwritten annual reports, reports from the groups affiliated with the GGB, and letters received by Frederik van Eeden (1903 – c. 1916). For example about the substandard potato cultivation at the Walden settlement. Equally interesting are the many forms completed in response to a 1919 survey among purported sympathizers, e.g. about their ideas, activities, income, and hours of work.
Access and Preservation
Organizational Change

During the year under review the collections department was formally reorganized. The purpose of the organizational changes is to prepare the department for the future, taking into account digital developments, changing user requirements, internationalization and decentralization of the collection building activities. An important objective is to shift from a far-reaching division of labour approach to a way of working that is much more based on team work, sharing knowledge and expertise. All staff members are organized in a common pool in order to allow for more flexible resource utilization. Individual staff members are allocated to teams and projects, on the basis of competences, expertise and skills. Another important objective is to re-design the work process from both the end user perspective and the depositor perspective. The diversity of depositor demands at one end of the process and the variety of user queries at the other end of the process requires a flexible approach. Managing variety needs to be built in the work process, focusing on developing the ability of the staff to respond cooperatively to these external dynamics. To achieve this objective the institute’s management hired the support of Vanguard Netherlands, an office of the Vanguard management consulting group. Vanguard has devised a change management methodology focused on developing a highly customer driven culture which is adaptive to the market environment. During 2010 the collections department has been prepared and coached to adopt this methodology. The actual process redesign will take place during the next year.

Within the coming years, the collections department in Amsterdam will become smaller. The reduction in size, due to retirement of ca
20% of the permanent staff, will be compensated in part by the shift in collection processing tasks from Amsterdam to the six regional desks. The desks are responsible for describing and digitizing the materials collected locally. They are better equipped to do so, because they can draw on local language skills and on knowledge of the collections. The department in Amsterdam is responsible for training the regional desks in basic library, archive and digitization skills. Competence and skills development is central to organizational change. With support of the KNAW Human Resources department, the staff was introduced to the concept of competence development and workshops were held to learn discovering individual competences. New competency-based job descriptions have been carefully elaborated. Developing e-skills has received special attention and among other things, staff members of the department were encouraged to experiment and learn about the Web 2.0 technologies by following the learning programme ‘23-dingen’.

Digital Programme
‘Collections Ahead’

The reorganization coincides with a series of projects known internally as the ‘Collections Ahead’ Programme. The programme, which runs from 2009-2012, aims to replace and introduce new digital information systems relating to the collections. During the year under review the department spent much time and effort in preparing the migration to the new open source library system (Evergreen), chosen in 2009. The legacy system in use (GEAC Advance) had not been upgraded for long and it no longer met the needs of the department. An important part of the effort went into upgrading the quality of the metadata records through harmonization and alignment to the MARC 21 standard. The staff of both the collections department and the digital infrastructure department worked closely together and broadened their technical expertise substantially, due to the strategic choices of resource sharing in an open source environment and carrying out the project in-house. Specific staff members have been allocated the roles of Evergreen systems librarian and Evergreen developer to ensure that
the necessary expertise is embedded in both departments. Unfortunately, the developer left the institute at the end of 2010 and a new candidate needs to be recruited. However, it is also an opportunity to seek a professional with the competences and knowledge that we are looking for. Smaller projects have also been carried out, such as Visual METS, which is building an open source viewer that will enable end-users to view and browse through the scans of digitized archival collections. The department also contributed to the Content Mashup Platform project which was successfully completed at the end of 2010, delivering a Drupal-based system for building thematic websites with collection mashups. The Centrale pilot, completed at the beginning of the year, delivered the workflows, procedures, tools and a costing-model for large-scale digitization projects. The institute started talks with REAAL Verzekeringen, for the funding of the next stage of the Centrale digitization project, which aims at the full digitization of the core collections of the institute. Last but not least, the EU-project Heritage of the People’s Europe (HOPE) started in May 2010. More information on this flagship project of the institute is given at page 36.

**Evaluation Protocol and Metrics**

Due to the reorganization, the annual reports of the former different task units (Archives, Library, Image & Sound Collection, Stacks & Reproduction, Preservation) are no longer presented separately, as used to be done in previous annual reports of the institute. Together with its process redesign effort, the department also needs to revisit its performance measurement metrics. They need to reflect the changed focus from production-driven to user-driven approach. These metrics will be further developed in 2011. For the year under review, the department reports the conventional production measurements.

The KNAW commissioned the directors of collections of the IISH, NIOD, Meertens Instituut and KITLV, to develop an adequate evaluation protocol for their collection activity. These institutes are evaluated according to the SEP (Standard Evaluation Protocol) which provides guidelines for the evaluation and improvement of research, but not of collections. For the IISH, the collection
activities are even more important than the research activities in terms of personnel and financial resources involved. Work on this new protocol has been ongoing and an international expert meeting was invited to provide feedback.

Production

The production of the department during the year under review was significantly lower than in the previous years. This is due to several factors. First of all the reorganization, including the Vanguard change management and the competence development trajectories, took considerable effort. Secondly, the permanent staff was more involved in digital projects than usual, as a result of the policy to develop expertise in the department. Thirdly, some members of the permanent staff retired in 2010 without being replaced, in line with the institute’s policy to reduce staffing in Amsterdam and shift activities to the regional desks. However, the regional desks are not yet equipped or trained to take over these activities, and so new back-logs are emerging. Two additional factors have had impact on the department’s production figures. An acquisition stop was applied most of 2010, due to budgetary rearrangements, and as a consequence considerably less new book titles were acquired. Finally, the department invested much time-consuming but also rewarding effort in preparing the exhibition ‘Rebels with a cause’, commemorating the 75th anniversary of the IISH. This was the first major exhibition of the IISH collection, featuring 239 items, covering a great diversity of materials. The department also prepared 152 collection items for loans for exhibitions in 16 different museums within and outside the Netherlands.

The department arranged 390 m of archives and documentation collections and published 65 lists and inventories (see box List and Inventories). The archives and documentation collections at the IISH spanned 15,754 meters at the end of 2010. The major archives that have been arranged are listed below. The department ordered and received 1,179 new book titles and 250 titles for the book reviews of the International Review of Social History (IRSH). It received and processed 10,709 journal and
newspapers issues. It catalogued 8,112 new books and periodicals. An additional 1,996 titles of books and journals were listed, via group descriptions. 117 meters of books and journal issues, mostly coming together with archives acquired in recent years, were processed as gifts. In addition, several major library collections were donated, including one from the FIDOC (Filippijnen Informatie- en Documentatie-Centrum), one from A. Fransen (statistical material from South-Africa) and many smaller collections from Asia via our regional desk in Bangkok. In 2010, the processing of the Iranian materials received from the Centre for Iranian Documentation and Research (CIDR) was given priority. Thanks to a contribution from the SNS REAAL project funding (in 2009) and additional money from the staffing budget, this cataloguing effort could be pursued. During the year under review entries were generated for 32,701 image and sound documents. Most of the material described consisted of photographs (3,013), posters (12,581), prints and drawings (3,406), and slides and negatives (2,043). Selected collections made accessible this year merit special mention: the political cartoons by Kees Willemen; the prints by Rudi Seidel; the photographs by Ab Koers; the photographs about the dailies De Waarheid and De Tribune and those from the archive of De Arbeiderspers. Descriptions were made of the image documents from the personal papers of the following non exhaustive list of persons: Mina Cauer; Maarten van Dullemen; Mieke Veenstra; Hugo Rolland; Joop Morriën; Max Kohnstamm; Dik Brummel; Ger Harmsen; Josephine Verspaget; Hans Janitschek; Pierre Avot-Meyers; Eugène Humbert.

In two projects for “Memory of the Netherlands,” individual descriptions were generated for 3,686 posters of de Melkweg and Paradiso, and additional descriptive metadata were provided for 15,366 Dutch posters. Five volunteers helped us make 545 photographs individually accessible from the Partij van de Arbeid photograph collection. Cataloguing for the Press Museum generated entries for 553 original drawings from Opland (Rob Wout) and 800 original drawings by Albert Hahn Jr. for de Notenkraker.

In 2010 the number of items retrieved from the stacks was once again around 25,000, more precisely: 26,598. The reproduction services processed 926 requests, consisting of 636 external and 290
internal ones. The requests resulted in making copies of archival
documents and of scanned image documents for publications and
exhibitions, delivering a total of 7,453 scans (2009: 5,880). In
addition to these reproduction requests, 29,704 items were
digitized, as part of the still image digitization workflow. During
2010 a retro-digitization project was started with the objective to
have the complete poster collection available in high-resolution.

The existing space in the stacks was no longer sufficient and it was
necessary to move collections temporarily elsewhere.
These collections are presently inaccessible – such as the library of
the Nationale Raad voor Maatschappelijk Welzijn (NRMW) and large
sections of the Academy library. The institute and the KNAW finally
reached agreement by the end of 2010 regarding the long-standing
plans to rebuild the 5th floor as a stack area for the collections.
Hopefully, the expansion of the stacks will be realized in 2011.

As usual, the preservation activities consisted of preparing
materials for scanning, acid-proof packaging of vulnerable
materials, as well as binding and limited restoration of individual
items. The ongoing project to re-package the core poster collection
with new portfolios and acid-proof covers was completed. At the
end of the year, 40,000 posters had been repackaged. Some 2,000
6x6 cm and 35 mm negatives from the Algemeen Hollands
Fotopersbureau (AHF) were repackaged in Melinex and acid-proof
cardboard cassettes.

The Services section presents the figures of the public services,
reported by the department.

Archives

Major archives arranged include:
• The papers of Ger Harmsen
This collection shows the varied expertise of its creator Ger
Harmsen (1922-2005), historian and philosopher, labour movement
historiographer and moss expert. Harmsen started his career as a
factory worker and ended up a professor of dialectic philosophy at
the university. In his environmental activities, as well as in his
political ones for the communist, pacifist-socialist, and labour parties, he was consistently interested in gathering documents. He collected moss specimens, bulletins and pamphlets, record books, and letters. His collection includes many small archives from organizations, especially those of the youth movement between the two World Wars, also the subject of Harmsen’s PhD thesis. In the 1970s, Harmsen was a driving force behind the student movement and authored many publications on the history of the trade union movement, in addition to biographical monographs about communist leaders Alex de Leeuw (1977) and Daan Goulooze (1967 and 1980). In the course of his research for these books, Harmsen received many personal documents from the friends and family members of his subjects, such as the letters that Alex de Leeuw wrote from Auschwitz. His papers comprise his correspondence, manuscripts, and files on his publications. They also contain a vast collection of documents he gathered or received from the movements, organizations, and persons that interested him. After arrangement, the papers span 35 meters.

- The archives of the social-democratic publisher De Arbeiderspers and the newspaper Het Vrije Volk (see box)
- Old archives of materials in German

To prepare for future digitization, two trainees (Johannes Beermann and Andreas Schrabauer) processed several small archives of German materials. These archives had been at the IISH since the 1930s and were part of the collections acquired back then thanks to the Centrale. Because of their modest size, not all had been arranged properly. Accurate descriptions have now been generated, and the archives have been transferred to new packaging materials, with the documents being restored as needed. Altogether, 20 archives were processed this way, spanning a total of 6.27 m. They include the personal papers of Rudolf Breitscheid, J.H.W. Dietz, Raphael Friedberg, Otto Landsberg, Josef Peukert, and Wilhelm Wolff.

Rena Fuks-Mansfeld, a great specialist in Yiddish language and collections, has been a volunteer in the IISH since 1996. In the past she catalogued and unified the collections Yiddishkayt and Hebrew in the general catalogue and made inventories of the Bund-Archive and the papers of the American-Jewish anarchist Boris Yelensky. This year she started a new project to describe Yiddish letters in the
archives of the IISH. The future result should be a presentation on the website with a digital reproduction of each letter, an abstract and a short description of the text. This project is important because of the wealth of material in Yiddish hidden in the archives and a growing interest among researchers for this material.

Supplementing the Guide to the International Archives and Collections at the IISH, Amsterdam (1999) edited by Jaap Haag and Atie van der Horst, descriptions of 17 new archives and accruals were published in the International Review of Social History.
In 2009 the IISH and the Press Museum teamed up to arrange the archives of the social-democratic publisher De Arbeiderspers and its newspaper Het Vrije Volk. These vast archives, spanning about 120 meters altogether, had already been stored at the IISH for quite a while but were hardly useful for historical research because of their poor condition. Project funding was requested from the SNS REAAL Fund and the Stichting Democratie en Media.

Following approval from both funds in early 2009, the project was launched in March 2009. Archive staff member Sabine Aarts has done most of the work on the project, assisted by Job Schouten from the Press Museum staff.

Organizationally, the social-democratic press started in the Netherlands in 1900, when the first official issue of Het Volk. Dagblad voor de Arbeiderspartij, the national SDAP newspaper, was published on 26 March. The newspaper was printed by the party’s own printing works in Amsterdam. In 1916 the party established its own N.V. Boekhandel en Uitgevers Maatschappij “Ontwikkeling”, a joint enterprise by Drukkerij Vooruitgang, Het Volk, and the SDAP. The journal De Socialistische Gids was the first publication. In the course of the 1920s, in addition to publications on politics and related subjects, non-fiction became part of the fund. “Ontwikkeling” opened dedicated shops in several cities to distribute the fund.

In addition to Het Volk, the regional party periodical Voorwaarts appeared from 1920 in Rotterdam and was printed and published by a local publishing house. Because the newspapers were in danger of competing against one another, the SDAP party
executives insisted on a merge, which led the N.V. Drukkerij en Uitgeversmaatschappij “De Arbeiderspers” to be established in Amsterdam in 1929. The SDAP owned one half, and the other half was the property of the NVV trade unions. Separate regional editions were printed at dedicated printing presses everywhere. In Amsterdam a vast new building was constructed and opened in 1931.

In May 1940 the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands destroyed this thriving conglomerate. The newspapers and the party were placed under national-socialist control, and after some initial confusion, most readers cancelled their subscriptions.

After the Liberation in 1945, the newspaper was renamed: Het Vrije Volk. The SDAP was transformed into the new Partij van de Arbeid (labour party, abbreviated as PvdA), and Het Vrije Volk became the official party periodical. After 1945 the company experienced a glorious heyday. The newspaper’s circulation was the highest in the country, several magazines were published or printed, and the book publisher generated a huge profit. Then around 1960 the decline began. Subscriptions dropped, gradually at first, but then constantly accelerating. Profits plummeted, and from 1965 the company suffered massive financial losses. At the Partij van de Arbeid congress in 1967, Het Vrije Volk was divested as the party periodical. The insurance company De Centrale became the new co-owner, together with the NVV. Drastic reorganization plans were announced, the newspaper ceased to appear nationwide, the main office in Amsterdam was sold (and later demolished), as were the bookstores, while the magazines were divested as well. In 1972 the Arbeiderspers merged with the Perscombinatie (which published Het Parool and de Volkskrant). Next, the Perscombinatie merged with the Nederlandse Dagblad Unie (NDU), effectively discontinuing the Arbeiderspers. Het Vrije Volk vanished from Amsterdam as a national newspaper in 1972 and subsequently became a regional newspaper serving Rotterdam and its surroundings. In 1991 this arrangement ended as well, upon the merge with the Rotterdams Nieuwsbrief to form the Rotterdams Dagblad.

Arranging the archives involved separate inventories for the Arbeiderspers and Het Vrije Volk. Documents about the newspaper operations until 1972 appear in the Arbeiderspers section, while the archive for the years 1972 to 1991 is described in the inventory of Het Vrije Volk. In the process of generating the descriptions, material provisions included removing paper clips, plastic, and rubber bands and repackaging the archives in acid-proof binders and archive boxes, preserving them for the long term.

The Arbeiderspers archives also contain a wealth of information about all kinds of older printers and publishers, predecessors of this outfit. In addition, many new documents were discovered about the history under Nazi occupation and shortly after the Liberation. The decline of the operation has been documented with care as well. The arranged archive spans 67 meters.

Management documents are particularly prominent in the archive of Het Vrije Volk. They cover all aspects of the operations of a daily newspaper and as such are especially useful for research on the history of the press. The arranged archive spans 28 meters.
Lists and inventories of the following archives and collections were compiled and published on the website:

- Alexander Herzen Stichting (accrual)
- Algemene Studenten Vereniging Amsterdam (ASVA) (accrual)
- Anti-Apartheidsbeweging Nederland (AABN)
- Arbeiders Jeugd Centrale (AJC) (accrual)
- Arbeiderspers, NV De
- Atabekian, Alexander
- Baumgärtel, Emile
- Belangenoverleg Niet-Justitiegebonden Organisaties (BONJO)
- Beyer, Georg
- Breitscheid, Rudolf
- Brummel, Dik
- Coöperatieve Groothandelsvereeniging ‘De Handelskamer’
- Coornhert-Liga
- Dietz, J.H.W.
- Doeve, Eppo
- Esperanto Nederland (accrual)
- Faas, Henry
- Filippijnen Informatie- en Documentatie-Centrum (FIDOC)
- Friedeberg, Raphael
- Germany, Various manuscripts (accrual)
- Goldenweiser, Alexander
- Gozzoli, Virgilio
- Guillaume, James
- Harmsen, Ger
- Henri Polakstichting
- Het Vrije Volk
- Hotz, Charles
- Inspraakorgaan Turken in Nederland (IOT) (accrual)
- Internationaal Instituut voor Sociale Geschiedenis (IISG)
- International Association of Labour History Institutions (IALHI)
- International Sociological Association (accrual)
- Jezierska, Fanny
- Jong, Theo de
- Jordaan, L.J.
- Juchacz, Marie
- Judaica Nederland (collection)
- Karpeles, Benno
- Kersting, H.G.
- Kohnstamm, Max
- Kol’cov-Ginzburg, Boris A.
- Landelijke Belangenvereniging voor Basisartsen
- Landsberg, Otto
- Leichter, Otto
- Lertcharoenschok, Yindee
- Lipschits, Isaac
- Lunshof, Hendrik A.
- Marsh, Alfred
- Mayer, Bernhard
- Nationaal Comité van Instellingen voor Zedelijke Volksgezondheid (accrual)
- Nationale Commissie tegen het Alcoholisme (NCA) (accrual)
- Nederlandsch Economisch-Historisch Archief (NEHA) (accrual)
- Nederlandsch-Indië.
- Nederlandse Beroepsvereniging van Filmmen Televisiemakers (NBF)
- Nederlandse Christen Vrouwen Geheelonthouders Unie
- Nederlandse Jeugdherberg Centrale (NJHC) (accrual)
- Onafhankelijk Verbond van Bedrijfsorganisaties (OVB). Plaatselijke Bedrijfsorganisatie Verkeer (Rotterdam)
- Pacifistisch Socialistische Partij (PSP) Bussum-Naarden
- Partij van de Arbeid (PVDA) Eurofractie (accrual)
- Peukert, Josef
- Potresov, Aleksandr Nikolaevič
- Presburg, Joseph
- Rat der Volksbeauftragten
- Rooijen, Henny van
- Rot, Tom
- Sapir, Boris
- Schrama, Nic
- Sluysmans, Conny
- Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschland (SPD). Parteiarchiv
- Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschland (SPD). Reichstagsfraktion
- Stichting Artec
- Stichting Comité Zuid-Afrika
- Stichting Vredesfonds
- Stichting Vredesopbouw (accrual)
- Student Federation of Thailand
- Tristan, Flora
- Verspaget, Josephine
- Ward, Colin
- Werkgroep Andere Tijden
- Western, Richard
- Weydemeyer, Joseph
- Wolff, Wilhelm
- Y min Y beweging (accrual)
- Yates, Frederick
- Zwart, Wim
The IISH coordinates a € 3.3 M project, co-funded by the EU FP7 ICT Policy Support Programme (Information and Communication Technologies - ICT / Policy Support Programme - PSP). The project encompasses a partnership of 13 institutions from 10 European countries and is aimed at improving access to their highly significant but scattered digital collections across Europe. The collections, consisting of images, texts, sounds, and videos, will be made available via web portals, subject gateways, and social sites, such as the Europeana Portal, the Labour History Portal, YouTube, Flickr, etc.

Like the IISH, all the other content partners in this project are members of the International Association of Labour History Institutions (IALHI). Through this long-term alliance, the partners share the same collection profile and purpose, which is to advance scholarly and general knowledge of social history. The IALHI network therefore provides a solid framework for sharing and sustaining the HOPE project results.

In view of the above objectives, HOPE proposes building a network of technological best practices and implementing a common digital infrastructure. The main technology partners are the Institute for Science and Information Technology of the National Research Council of Italy (ISTI-CNR) and the IISH. The project started in May 2010 and in its first year established the foundations for implementing the HOPE architecture and the data model. The approach has from the outset targeted interoperability and
adoption of standards and best practices by the content partners and not at building centralized ICT solutions customized to accommodate the specifics and idiosyncrasies of individual partners. This ensures that they will be embedded in the HOPE system.

The HOPE environment consists of multiple systems at the two extremes of the discovery-to-delivery chain. At one end is the increasingly diverse selection of discovery services on the web and at the other the entire range of local institutional systems: library and archival systems of the content providers, their local digital object repositories, and their local web-based service desks (websites, catalogues, web-shops, etc.). Users would like to navigate smoothly from a search result (in any given web discovery service) to the location of the digital resource (in any given local system) – if not by a single click on the mouse, then at least through a series of straightforward web links, leading them to the resource.

User needs guide the sophisticated HOPE design. The architectural choices, workflows, and data modelling serve to ensure that all the components of the HOPE environment connect seamlessly. Technical implementation, which will start in the second year of the project, will include deployment of the HOPE Metadata Aggregator, the shared HOPE Object Repository, and the HOPE Persistent Identifier Service. More information on HOPE: www.peoplesheritage.eu
In May 2010 the IISH launched the Social History Shop, the web shop where the Institute sells reproductions of special posters and photographs from its collections.

Much of the selection consists of posters of social movements from the early and mid-twentieth century. In January 2011 photographs by Amsterdam press photographer Ben van Meerendonk (1913-2008) were added.

The posters are classified by country, period, and theme (e.g. trade unions, alcohol, culture, and students). The shop features French posters from 1968, Cuban, Russian, and Dutch posters from various periods, and propaganda posters from Maoist China. The photographs by Ben van Meerendonk cover a broad scope; he has photographed celebrities, as well as ‘ordinary’ Amsterdam street scenes.

In the press release accompanying the launch, IISH General Director Erik-Jan Zürcher said about the posters: “[they] will interest history and graphic arts aficionados alike. Many prewar Dutch posters, for example, are by avant-garde artists, who were often dedicated to social causes and designed the loveliest posters for their principals – usually trade unions, lobby groups, and political parties. We thought it would be a shame to leave all these objets d’art in repositories. That was why we decided to start this web shop a year ago.

The posters available have been selected from over 100,000 posters that the Institute
manages. In the years ahead, the selection will be expanded considerably to include more recent material as well. The posters are priced at 45 euros each and are printed in their true size. The photo reproductions are a selection from the collection that the IISH manages of ca. 70,000 negatives by Van Meerendonk. They cost 39.95 euros each, are printed on photo paper, and measure 50 x 60 cm. Reproductions of square negatives are printed as 50 x 50 cm.

Street scene: Laundry day, Amsterdam, 1951
Jayne Mansfield visits De Telegraaf, Amsterdam, 1957
Photo's by Ben van Meerendonk. Collection IISH
Youthful dance steps, China, 1986
Designer: Wang Bingkung. Collection IISH
Reject bureaucracy, France 1968
Atelier populaire. Collection IISH
Joining forces on all fronts to destroy fascism,
Spain, ca. 1938. Collection IISH

Raising Soviet football to the next level!,
Soviet Union, 1954. Collection IISH
Welcome the new day!, Elections, SDAP, Floor Wibaut

Designer: Albert Hahn, Jr., 1921. Collection IISH
Services
Reading Room

Usage statistics of the reading room were similar in number, compared to last year. Guided tours continued to increase. About 40 groups, consisting mainly of students and congress participants, received guided tours of the collections. The exhibition dedicated to the 75th anniversary of the IISH at the Special Collections building allowed us to introduce several groups to our collection’s highlights.

In 2010 the collection was once again used extensively in exhibitions. Aside from the anniversary exhibition Rebels with a Cause. The IISH at 75, the Institute contributed to exhibitions in Zaragoza (100 years of anarchism), Dortmund (Heroes), Zurich (Otto Neurath), and Glasgow (White Bike Plan). Within the Netherlands material was issued on loan for exhibitions about Press and Police, about the architect Robert van’t Hoff, and about the significance of the colour red, to name but a few.

Website

News reports, staff publications, congresses, and collection presentations have been added to the IISH website. The number of visitors remained roughly the same. In addition, we started renovating the website. We teamed up with the Happy Users Studio to perform a usability review, which resulted in a new structure and new functionalities. In 2011 the existing website will gradually be transformed to reflect the new visual style.
To accommodate requests for poster reproductions, the IISH opened the Social History Shop in 2010. After drafting a business plan, we commissioned a website, purchased a special printer, and integrated production at the Repro Department. Quality reprints of selected posters may be purchased from the web shop at www.socialhistoryshop.com.

Digital Infrastructure

In line with the Information Policy Plan 2009-2012, hosting services to third parties were gradually abolished. The tender for outsourcing the institute’s office automation resulted in negotiations with the ICT-Services of the KNAW for a three-year contract. The choice to implement Drupal as the content management system for all websites maintained by the IISH was an important milestone in the overall objective to upgrade the hardware and software infrastructure for all products and services deployed at the institute. It is on the Drupal platform that the Content Mashup project, subsidized by Senternovem, was implemented. As a result, IISH collections can be presented together with collections from other memory institutions and materials selected from social sites, in thematic web-exhibitions.

The IISH developed an SRU/SRW web service for searching in its own metadata and developed a dedicated module for selecting, storing, and displaying catalogue data in Drupal. These data may subsequently be combined on the website with material from social sites and additions from the Institute.

The content mashup platform (CMU) was applied in practice by the www.vijfeeuwenmigratie.nl website. It was also applied to realize the web exhibition *Rebels with a Cause*. In addition to featuring the items on a timeline and chart, subject experts added contextual information to each item.

Social Media

In 2010 the IISH started to make extensive use of social media,
especially Flickr. The IISH promotes and makes its collections available on the web, in locations where many people will search. Last year over 1,700 images were posted on Flickr and were viewed about 130,000 times, mainly photographs by Ben van Meerendonk, Ewald Vanvugt, and Wim Dussel. In addition, various materials about Pieter Jelles Troelstra have been posted, as have the posters from the Social History Shop. The Flickr applications provide additional options that facilitate presenting the material on the website.

Other channels featuring IISH materials included: VKGeschiedenis, Kennislink, and Nu & Toen. The IISH manifested on Twitter and YouTube as well.
Research and Publications
The year began very well for the department. After reviewing our research activities from the previous three years, the Academic Advisory Board concluded at its January meeting: “The Global Labour History approach has become increasingly influential, not only within the IISH, but also for other institutions and colleagues in the field. [...] On an intellectual level, the global outlook of the Global Labour History approach has further reinforced IISH’s international, and indeed, global position. From an institutional perspective, the GLH approach has already helped and will no doubt continue to help reinforce the Institute’s global network.”

This intellectual encouragement to continue along the present course was complemented later in the year by practical support, with the start of what is known as the TOCO operation. This operation will soon add regional specialists for Russia, Central Asia, South Asia, Southeast Asia, Latin America, and sub-Saharan Africa to the department. In addition, the first three visiting fellows sponsored by the SNS REAAL Fund arrived from India, Iran, and Russia, respectively; they spent five months participating in the Institute’s activities and conducting research based on the collections.

Several major grants were approved. The Dutch academic funding organization NWO approved a € 2.4 million subsidy for the CLIO-Infra project, in which the IISH participates. CLIO-Infra (directed by Jan Luiten van Zanden) is dedicated to building a set of interconnected historical databases on worldwide social, economic, and institutional indicators from the last five centuries and will enable historians to study the long-term development of global inequality. The Historical Sample of the Netherlands (HSN)
received a grant of at least € 640,000 from the European Science Foundation toward the “European Historical Population Samples Network” that will integrate 19 European population databases. Drs. Hilde Bras and Ineke Maas also obtained a € 582,000 net NWO grant for their “Linked Lives” HSN project, and the Royal Academy awarded the HSN an Alfalab grant totalling € 77,000 net. This financial support secures three additional years of the HSN. The Global Collaboratory on the History of Labour Relations (1500-2000) received a € 30,000 NWO grant toward building an African network, together with the London School of Economics and Humboldt University in Berlin. The Collaboratory also organized a workshop on the Ottoman Empire in Istanbul.

Three new projects were launched. The four-year project on ‘The Social History of Labour in the Iranian Oil Industry, 1908-2008’, directed by Touraj Atabaki, was launched on 1 September and organized its first workshop. On that same date, Gijs Kessler, together with Andrei Markevich of Moscow’s New Economic School, started to coordinate a three-year project to create an online electronic repository of Russian historical statistics. And from 1 December Karin Hofmeester began her two-year research project on “Luxury and Labour. A Global Trajectory of Diamond Consumption and Production, 16th-19th Centuries” (together with Professor Jürgen Osterhammel from the University of Konstanz), thanks to a € 125,000 grant from the German Thyssen Foundation. The central question to be examined in this research project is how the globalization of the diamond trade and finishing industry – spurred by rising consumer demand – affected labour relations in the sector worldwide.

Researchers were presented with several tokens of acknowledgement. *Choice*, the American monthly for librarians, listed Willem van Schendel’s *A History of Bangladesh* (Cambridge University Press, 2009) as “Outstanding Academic Book of the Year”; Kees Mandemakers was elected President of the International Commission for Historical Demography; Marcel van der Linden was re-elected President of the International Social History Association and was the Marcel Liebman Visiting Professor at the Université Libre de Bruxelles; and the Historical Sample of the Netherlands research group (under the aegis of Kees Mandemakers) was awarded the Data Prize by the Data Archiving and Networked Services
(DANS) for qualitatively good and durably stored research data. Two new activities were launched. Support from the IISH-Sadighi Research Fund helped initiate an annual lecture about the social history of the Middle East; the first to deliver this lecture was Professor Ervand Abrahamian (City University of New York) on “Crowds in Iranian History”. Together with the daily De Volkskrant, the Institute set up an annual award for the most outstanding masters essay on a historical subject. The award was presented to Marlous van Waijenburg for her essay on the economic development of British-African colonies before and after becoming independent.

The most important publication that year was the Ashgate Companion to the History of Textile Workers, 1650-2000, edited by Lex Heerma van Voss, Els Hiemstra, and Elise van Nederveen Meerkerk. This vast manual is the culmination of a multiyear project and contains extensive information and comparative studies about global developments in textile labour over the past three and a half centuries. Another edited volume published was ILO-Histories. Essays on the International Labour Organization and Its Impact on the World During the Twentieth Century, edited by Jasmien van Daele and others – a collection of essays intended to encourage additional research, together with the ILO, during the years ahead. Migration History in World History: Multidisciplinary Approaches, edited by Jan Lucassen, Leo Lucassen, and Patrick Manning, brings together studies from very different disciplines aimed at assessing different methods for global migration history. Ulbe Bosma published Indiëgangers, a study about circular migration between the Netherlands and the Dutch East Indies. Erik-Jan Zürcher published several of his most important essays in the anthology The Young Turk Legacy and Nation-Building. An updated German translation (Der andere Iran) was published of Peyman Jafari’s Dutch book about ‘the other Iran.’

Staff published articles in several peer-reviewed journals, including the Journal of Urban History, History of the Family, Gender and Society, Continuity and Change, Labor History, Theory and Society, and Economic History Review.

Circulation increased once again for the International Review of Social History, especially among subscribers in the Global South. All old
issues of the journal, including those of its predecessor (the *International Review for Social History*, since 1936) were posted online by Cambridge University Press – totalling over 21,000 pages.

In Ghent the Institute – this time together with the Belgian AMSAB Institute for Social History – organized the biannual European Social Science History Conference; in Amsterdam the Institute figured prominently in organizing the International Congress of Historical Sciences, which is held every five years and this time drew 1,300 participants from 84 countries. Both conferences were organized by Els Hiemstra with the invaluable assistance of Ineke Kellij.

**Conferences**

As mentioned, the Institute co-organized the European Social Science History Conference in Ghent (*13-16 April*), which drew 1,350 participants from 54 countries and included various sessions presented by IISH staff and fellows. The Institute also co-organized the historical world congress (International Congress of Historical Sciences) in Amsterdam (*22-28 August*) and hosted the annual conference of the International Association of Labour History Institutions (IALHI, *1-4 September*). The Fighting for a Living project held its first workshop (Amsterdam, *23-24 March*), as did the project on the Social History of the Iranian Oil Industry (Amsterdam, *2-3 December*). Together with the University of Konstanz, the Institute organized a conference on Parallel Commodity Chains: Substitutes and Informal Economy (Konstanz, *11 June*), and together with the Commodities of Empire project (London/Wageningen) a conference was held on Anti-Commodities (Amsterdam, *17-18 June*). The Global Collaboratory on the History of Labour Relations (1500-2000) held a workshop in Istanbul (*18-19 June*). Together with the International Institute for Asian Studies (Leiden) and the National Taiwan University, a conference was organized on Migration and Mobility in a Global Historical Perspective (Taipeh, *25-29 August*). Together with the Multatuli-genootschap, Aksant Publishers and the Press Museum the Institute organised the symposium Multatuli as Emancipator (*30 October*). The People, Plants and Work project organized a workshop in
Amsterdam (11-12 November). A conference commemorating the economic historian Angus Maddison took place on 6-7 November. In recognition of the 75th anniversary of the Institute, an international master class on Global Labour History was organized for 16 PhD students and post-docs (22-26 November), and, in conjunction with Spui 25, four public debates in Amsterdam’s city centre were dedicated to the failure of the international trade-union movement (4 November), the resurrection of the mercenary (18 November), the “new housemaids” (9 December), and child labour (16 December).
One of the most compelling issues that has come to figure prominently in economic history debates over the past two decades is the Great Divergence, triggered by the work of Kenneth Pomeranz and others. Why, if in 1800, and definitely in 1400, China was as economically developed as the West, was the West the first to experience industrialization and sustained economic growth? Historians have invoked several factors to explain economic growth. The explanatory variables suggested include good economic institutions (which, for example, limit rent seeking), favourable geographic conditions (e.g. access to fossil fuels), culture (e.g. encouraging women to join the labour force), and human capital. Explaining economic success globally and over the long term therefore requires data on indicators of economic success (e.g. Gross Domestic Production) and on all plausible causes over extended periods.

Over the next couple of years, with funding from the Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO), the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW), and Utrecht University, a group under the aegis of Jan Luiten van Zanden will establish at the IISH a hub called Clio-Infra and comprising data on economic performance and possible causes of such performance. The data will be collected by thematic groups of specialists, recruited by post-doctoral researchers and based at Utrecht, Groningen, and Tübingen universities and at the IISH. Data related to economic performance will be collected on GDP and its components, real wages, heights (as a measure of economic wellbeing), and quality of life. The data on
proximate causes collected will include data on prices, wages, income distribution, taxation, labour relations, skill and education, and labour force participation by men, women, and children, respectively. Data collected concerning ultimate causes will include institutions, constraints on the political executive, state structure and stability, central banks, family systems, guilds, religious preferences, urbanization, and geography. In all cases, data will be collected for a group of 25 large countries and for the period from 1800. Where the data permit, we will include other countries and move back in time to 1500 (for additional details about the project, see www.clio-infra.eu/).

At the central project portal, we will make available data on all these fields from 2014. Meta-data will list the source and reliability of the data presented. Scholars may use the data online and or may download data. They will be allowed to combine datasets and to visualize data. The central portal will also provide features for visualizing the data. We are currently discussing possibilities with the designers of Statplanet and Gapminder, which offer excellent visualization options.
Anticommunist Opposition

One of the themes featured in the exhibition *Rebels with a Cause. The IISH at 75* was Anticommunist Opposition. After the Second World War, the IISH had long great difficulty collecting in Eastern Europe, mainly because of the universal censorship and the closed Iron Curtain. Much of the material was therefore acquired later. Détente during the Cold War and especially glasnost, introduced by Michael Gorbachev, enabled the Institute to keep abreast of events again from the mid-1980s. This revival of activity led valuable documentation to be acquired.

*The documents and objects presented in this chapter were displayed in the exhibition.*

In 1956 the Hungarians revolted against the regime that the Soviet Union imposed on them. Throughout Hungary, councils seized power, and a new government was formed. Then Soviet troops intervened, and ‘order’ was restored. This photograph shows a Russian soldier with a machine gun on a Budapest street. Collection IISH

Suppressing the Hungarian uprising involved heavy fighting and considerable destruction. This photograph from December 1956 shows ruins on a street in Budapest. Collection IISH
Following the death of Stalin on 5 March 1953, the GDR became the first ‘people’s republic’ to encounter overt resistance. On 17 June the situation spun out of control, and Soviet troops were called in to suppress the revolt. This photograph, which like the next ones is from the archive of Het Vrije Vôk, was taken at the border of the Russian sector in Berlin. Collection IISH.

In early 1968 in Czechoslovakia Alexander Dubček (1921-1992) launched a reform process. The communist party announced that it would pursue ‘socialism with a human face.’ Still, this liberalization led to demands that the process be accelerated. The photograph was taken in Prague on 1 August 1968. Collection IISH.
In the night of 20 to 21 August 1968, troops from five Warsaw Pact countries invaded Czechoslovakia to end the reform process. Despite the resistance – the photograph shows a Russian tank burning in front of the Radio Prague building – the Prague Spring was over. Many fled to the West, where even some communist parties condemned the invasion.

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In 1980 an independent labour union arose named Solidarność, which proved capable of pressuring the communist party, until the army intervened in December 1981. Solidarność continued to exist underground and to publish magazines.

Collection IISH
In Romania riots in Timișoara in December 1989 culminated in an uprising that ended the regime and the life of Nicolae Ceaușescu (1918-1989), who had been in power since 1965. The Student Voice appeared the day before his death.

Collection IISH

In Hungary the changes began in 1988 with the resignation of Janós Kádár (1912-1989), who had run the country since 1956. In October 1989 a multi-party system was introduced. Previously, on 19 August, the Iron Curtain started to come down during a demonstration presented as a picnic along the Austrian border; the barbed wire was cut at this time. Later, the ‘last breath of communism’ was sold in tins.

Collection IISH
From 1986 the new open policy of the Soviet Union enabled the IISH to intensify Russian collection development. Since then, for example, the *samizdat* collection, illegal publications issued privately – was expanded considerably. This is a page from the memoirs of Nadežda Mandel’stam (1899-1980). Collection IISH

The handwritten or typed *samizdat* texts were sometimes printed in the West. The Chekhov Press in New York, which played an important role in this field, published Mandel’stam’s book in 1970. An English translation soon followed. The IISH ordinarily tried to cover the adventures of such manuscripts as comprehensively as possible. Collection IISH

Yugoslavia had started to disintegrate gradually following the death of Josip Tito in 1980. This process continued with a lot of bloodshed in the 1990s. The IISH collected a wealth of material from peace movements there at the time. ‘A heart attack is preferable to a pact,’ reads the front page of the anarchist *Feral Tribune* from Split. The image depicts Croatian President Franjo Tudjman (1922-1999) and his Serb counterpart Slobodan Milošević (1941-2006), in a broken heart. Collection IISH
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The number of communist countries in the world declined considerably in the 1990s. One of those that remains is Cuba. Fidel Castro, in power since 1959, resigned as president in 2008. The poster appealed to the public to come hear one of his famous speeches on May Day 1965. Collection IISH
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A LA PLAZA DE LA REVOLUCION
Oil

In 1908 the discovery of oil in Iran gave rise to new social, political, economic, and even cultural realities at local, national, regional, and international levels. A full century later, Iran’s geopolitical role and significance continue to grow. In many fundamental ways, oil as a commodity and the people producing it, have been pivotal in shaping a model of development, social mores and behaviour, and political and social relations in Iran and beyond. The main objective of the present research project at the International Institute of Social History on the social history of labour in the Iranian oil industry is to promote an empirical and qualitative understanding of labour as well as labour relations in the Iranian oil industry during the period 1908-2008.

The photographs featured in this chapter were collected by the IISH for this research project.
A ‘Gusher’ with wooden derrick typical of the period. Today a ‘gusher’ is extremely rare for, by means of special apparatus, oil wells are “brought-in” under proper control. M.I.S. Collection IISH
Tomb of Cyrus:
Pasargad loading, and at the top left, the road to Khorramshahr.
Collection IISH

An old Petrol Station
in Abadan. Collection IISH
Literacy campaign in the Iranian oil industry targeting the unskilled labour. Collection IISH
Telephonists/clerk typists
Ahwaz. Collection IISH

Abadan people.
Collection IISH
Pack mules crossing the ford at Godar-i-Cham on the Zurah river en route for Gach Qaraguli C. 1926.
Collection IISH

Persian road gang working on the Company’s road to Gach Qaraguli C. 1926.
Collection IISH
Tembi pumping station with power house in background Laying pipeline in Persia C. 1925.
Collection IISH

Oil well in Persia C.1910.
Collection IISH
Appendices
Boards

Foundation International Institute of Social History
In 2010 the board members were as follows:

H.M. (Hans) van de Kar MA
(Chair)

Dr. M.P. (Martin) Bossenbroek
(uptil November 1, 2010)

M.E. (Maria) Cuartas y de Marchena, LLM

Prof. Dr. M.J.A. (Rinus) Penninx

Prof. dr U. (Uri) Rosenthal
(uptil October 12, 2010)

G.H. (Gerrit) Terpstra MA

L. (Lodewijk) de Waal

H.F. (Renz) de Wit, LLM

The board met on 10 February and on 23
June 2010. The meetings were attended by
Erik-Jan Zürcher (General Director) and Titia
van der Werf (Deputy Director of Collections).
Staff interests were represented by Ineke
Kellij on 10 February and by Hans Staphorst
on 23 June (Staff Council). Uri Rosenthal
had to step down from the Board in October,
as he was appointed the new Dutch Minister
of Foreign Affairs. He had been a member of
the IISH board for the last ten years.
Maarten Bossenbroek opted for a career as a
historian at the University of Utrecht and
left the Koninklijke Bibliotheek (Royal
Library), which is the major funder of the
foundation’s collection. The general director
of the Koninklijke Bibliotheek, B.S.M.
Savenije MA, will succeed him in this
position on the board from January 2011.

IISH-KNAW Academic Advisory Board

As part of the Royal Netherlands Academy
of Arts and Sciences, the International
Institute of Social History is subject to
periodic peer reviews, which take place
every six years. Halfway between reviews,
Academy institutes perform a self-
evaluation (or mid-term review). On 22-23
January 2010 the Academic Advisory Board
of the International Institute of Social
History met for the second time in its
present composition. The members present
at the meeting were Michiel Baud, Eileen
Boris, Dick Geary, Nandini Gooptu, Andrea
Komlosy, Maarten Prak, and Patrick O’Brien.
Jürgen Kocka was unable to attend.

Aim of the meeting was to discuss and
assess the first results of the new policies in
research and collecting that received
consideration during the mid-term review of
November 2007 and to advise the
administration about the major changes in
the organizational structure to be
implemented as a result of these new
policies. The report of the Advisory Board
meeting concluded: “Overall the board is
impressed by the results of the process of
repositioning of the institute. On an
intellectual level, the global outlook of the
Global Labour History approach has further
reinforced the IISH’s international, and
indeed, global position.”
The international Academic Advisory Board comprises the following members:

- **Professor Dr M. (Maarten) Prak**
  Utrecht University (Chair)
- **Professor Dr M. (Michiel) Baud**
  University of Amsterdam, director of CEDLA
- **Professor Dr E. (Eileen) Boris**
  University of California, Santa Barbara
- **Professor Dr P. (Patrick) O’Brien**
  London School of Economics
- **Professor Dr U. (Ute) Frevert**
  Yale University (until October 2009)
- **Professor Dr A. (Andrea) Komlosy**
  University of Vienna (from October 2009)
- **Professor Dr D. (Dick) Geary**
  University of Nottingham
- **Dr. N. (Nandini) Gooptu**
  University of Oxford
- **Professor Dr J. (Jürgen) Kocka**
  Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin für Sozialforschung

**Staff**

23 persons joined the Institute:

- **T. Atabaki** and **S. Bellucci** (both Research & Collections), **J. Bording** (Historical Sample of the Netherlands), **R. Bosch** (project Clio-Infra), **J.M. Euwijk** (Press Museum), **F. Geelhoed** (Secretariat & Reception), **M. Jefroudi** (project Labour in the Iranian Oil Industry), **W.M. Hofman** (Historical Sample of the Netherlands), **J. Kok** (project Clio-Infra), **M. Koster** (Historical Sample of the Netherlands), **F.L.P.M. Leeuwenberg** (Collection Processing & Services), **K. Liefting** (Collection Processing & Services), **L. Lucassen** (Secretariat & Reception), **F. Malek Mohamad** (Collection Processing & Services), **C. Munnik** (Ontwikkelaars & Beheerders), **G.H.C. Reijlink** (Historical Sample of the Netherlands), **K. Sinha-Kerkhoff** (Research & Collections), **M.A. Stigter** (project Heritage of the People’s Europe), **N.M. Teeuwen** (project Giving in the Golden Age), **S.B. Tunderman** (Collection Processing & Services), **R. de Vries** (project Heritage of the People’s Europe), **S. Willemsen** (Historical Sample of the Netherlands), **P. de Zwart** (project Clio-Infra).

16 persons left the Institute:

- **T. de Boer** and **M. Buurman** (both Collection Processing & Services), **I. Giesbers** (project Migration History Website, System developers & Administrators and Collection Processing & Services), **M.J.G. Huetink** (Aksant Academic Publishers), **H. Ketelaar** (Aksant Academic Publishers), **J. Klein** (Collection Processing & Services), **J. Kok** (project Global Hubs), **S. M. Leclerq** (project Migration Website), **A.P.P. van Lier** (Collection Processing & Services), **L. Lucassen** (Secretariat & Reception), **A.P.P. van Lier** (Collection Processing & Services), **L. Lucassen** (Secretariat & Reception), **F. Malek Mohamad** (Collection Processing & Services), **A.J. Marks** (project Indonesia), **J.T.H. van Rijswijck** (Collection Processing & Services), **R. Scheepens** (Press Museum), **S.B. Tunderman** (Collection Processing & Services), **R. Wadman** (Aksant Academic Publishers).

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(untill 1 July 2010)

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F. Geelhoed*
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R.N. Khan
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N. Oudejans
A.E. Wank

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System Developers & Managers
M. Mieldijk
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O. Azouguagh MSC*
J.P.D. Borsje
G. Cupac
I. Giesbers*
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O.G.D. Kerpel
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C. Munnik
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M. Stigter MA*
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Research and Publications Department
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Dr S. Bellucci
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Dr R. Bosch*
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project From Political Liberalisation to De-Liberalisation: State, Society and Post-Islamism in Iran (1979-2009)
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Dr K. Sinha-Kerkhoff*
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Publications Department

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Dr T. Atabaki
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(from 15 October 2010)
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E.K. Hiemstra-Kuperus MA
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Member of the Academic Committee of the International Institute of Asian Studies
Member, Council of the Society for Iranian Studies
Member Editorial Board, International Labor and Working-Class History.
Member Editorial Board, Iranian Studies, Journal of the International Society for Iranian Studies
Member Editorial Board, International Journal of Azerbaijani Studies
Consultant for BBC World Service on the Current Affairs of Iran, Central Asia and the Caucasus
Consultant for Radio France International on the Current Affairs of Iran, Central Asia and the Caucasus

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Member Editorial Committee, International Review of Social History
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Member Advisory Board, Biografisch Woordenboek Nederlandse ondernemers 1850-1950
Member Editorial Board, Nieuwsbrief Vakbonds Historische Vereniging
Member Board, Project Het Biografische Portaal van Nederland
Member, Research Project Dutch Business in the 20th Century

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Member, American Historical Association
Member, Society of American Archivists
Member, International Council on Archives
Member, Vereinigung zur Förderung des Archivwesens e.V. (VFA)
Member Editorial Board, International Journal of Cultural Property, vol 17
Member Editorial Board, American Association for Ukrainian Studies

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Chair, Koninklijk Nederlands Historisch Genootschap
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Member Executive, Stichting International Congress of Historical Sciences 2010
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Member, Interdisciplinary Centre for Studies in History, Economy and Society (ICSHES), Moscow

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Chair, Chinese Posters Foundation
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Consultant on ‘Permanent Access’, Netherlands National Commission for UNESCO
Consultant on ‘Movimento social critico e alternativo’, University of Évora
Member Editorial Board, On the Waterfront. Newsletter of the Friends of the IISH

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Secretary, Stichting Sem Presser Archief
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Editor, History of the Family. An International Quarterly

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*Associate Editor, International Labor and Working-Class History*  
*Editorial Advisor, Revista Mundos do Trabalho*  
*Editorial Advisor, Revista História Social*  
*Editorial Advisor, Historical Materialism. Research in Critical Marxist Theory*  
*Editorial Advisor, Peripherie. Zeitschrift für Politik und Ökonomie in der Dritten Welt*  
*Member Wissenschaftlicher Beirat, Comparativ: Zeitschrift für Globalgeschichte und vergleichende Gesellschaftsforschung*  
*Co-Editor, Istorija Sotsialnaja, Moskow, Russian Federation*  
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*Corresponding Editor, Socialism and Democracy*  
*Series Editor, Studies in Global Social History*  
*Series Co-editor, Historical Materialism Book Series*  
*Series Editor, International Studies in Social History*  
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**Advisor of the Wetenschapscommissie, NIAS**  
**Scientific Advisor of the SNS REAAL Fund, Utrecht**  
**Member of Several Committees of the KNAW**  
**Member of the Veni-Committee, NWO**  
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**Board Member, ProVU**  
**Member, Centrale Ondernemingsraad VU**  
**Member of the Jury, Thesis Price Historisch Tijdschrift Holland**

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**Member Editorial Board, Modern Asian Studies**  
**Member Editorial Committee, Book series Critical International Studies**  
**Visiting Scholar, New York University, Institute for Public Knowledge, from 2009**

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**Member Editorial Committee, Digitaal Vrouwenlexicon Nederland**

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Marina de Regt  
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**Co-chair, LOVA Netherlands Association for Gender Studies and Feminist Anthropology**  
**Board Member, Academic Advisory Board of the Islam Research and Development Project, University of Leiden**  
**Chair, LOVA/Marjan Rens MA Thesis Award**  
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Pending PhD Projects
Supervised by IISH

Staff

PhD candidate Ada, Onur
Thesis advisor Erik-Jan Zürcher
Subject The ambiguous attitude of Turkish reformers towards the West

PhD candidate Adak, Sevgi
Thesis advisors Touraj Atabaki with Erik-Jan Zürcher
Subject Modernization in Iran and Turkey during the Interbellum

PhD candidate Afacan, Serhan
Thesis advisors Touraj Atabaki with Marcel van der Linden
Subject Societies in Turmoil: Social Movements in Iran and the Ottoman Empire, 1906-1920

PhD candidate Ahmetoğlu, Selim
Thesis advisor Erik-Jan Zürcher
Subject Constitutional Revolution in Trabzon, 1908-1918

PhD candidate Akgöz, Görkem
Thesis advisors Marcel van der Linden with Touraj Atabaki
Subject Workers from the Bakirköy-textile factory in Istanbul, c. 1930-1950

PhD candidate Ali, Karamat
Thesis advisor Marcel van der Linden
Subject The Pakistan Labour Movement from c. 1965 until after the Commune of Karachi in 1972
PhD candidate Alphen, Elise van
Thesis advisors Karin Hofmeester with Dr Ulla Jansz and Professor Peter Derkx
Subject A Social-Historical Research on the Emancipation of Homosexuals and Humanist in the Netherlands

PhD candidate Caglar, Ismael
Thesis advisor Erik-Jan Zürcher
Subject Political views about ‘good’ and ‘bad’ Islam during Turkish military Interventions in 1997 and 2007

PhD candidate Christofis, Nikos
Thesis advisor Erik-Jan Zürcher
Subject The Issue of Cyprus in the Turkish and Greek leftist Press

PhD candidate Drymalitou, Marina
Thesis advisor Erik-Jan Zürcher
Subject The fate of Greek Real Estate Property during the Republic in Turkey

PhD candidate Erol, Emre
Thesis advisors Erik-Jan Zürcher with Jan Lucassen
Subject The labourers of Foca/Phocaea (Turkey), 1850-1940

PhD candidate Geerken, Gerhard
Thesis advisor Jan Lucassen
Subject Stucco Workers and Whitewashers from Oldenburg in the Netherlands, ca. 1750 - 1900

PhD candidate Hageraats, Bart
Thesis advisors Marcel van der Linden with Ulbe Bosma
Subject Elias Canetti and the Masses

PhD candidate Håkanssson, Fredrik
Thesis advisors Marcel van der Linden with Professor Lars Olsson
Subject Glass Workers and Internationalism: the Saint Gobain Strike of 1969 and Afterwards
PhD candidate Hertroys, Frasie
Thesis advisors Jan Lucassen with
Professor Karel Davids
Subject The Jesuiets and the VOC compared: the Role of the two Organizations in the Circulation of Knowledge between China and Europe, ca 1680-1780

PhD candidate Hoekman, Piet and Jannes Houkes
Thesis advisors Lex Heerma van Voss with Marcel van der Linden
Subject The National Labour Secretariat, 1893-1940

PhD candidate Hoogendorp, Krijn
Thesis advisor Touraj Atabaki
Subject Everyday Stalinism in the Caucasus, 1920-1930

PhD candidate Jafari, Peyman
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Subject From Political Liberalization to de-Liberalization: State, Society, and post-Islamism in Iran, 1979 - 2009

PhD candidate Jefroudi, Maral
Thesis advisors Touraj Atabaki with Marcel van der Linden
Subject Social History of Labour in the Iranian Oil Industry 1953-1982

PhD candidate Kingman, Vibeke
Thesis advisor Lex Heerma van Voss
Subject Social security and Poor Relief in the Zaan Area, 1870-1970

PhD candidate Knigge, A.
Thesis advisors Marco van Leeuwen with Dr I. Maas
Subject Total Impact on Status Attainment

PhD candidate Lippényi, Z.
Thesis advisors Marco van Leeuwen with Dr I. Maas
Subject The Short- and Long-term Effects of Industrialization, Institutional Development and Political Regimes on Social Mobility in Hungary

PhD candidate Muskens, Roeland
Thesis advisors Lex Heerma van Voss with Jan-Willem Duyvendak
Subject The Dutch Anti-apartheid Movement

PhD candidate Nerweyi, Hawar
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Subject Centre and Periphery Relation in Iran: The Province of Kurdistan, 1945-1946

PhD candidate Olnon, Merlijn
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Subject Europeans under Ottoman Administration in 17th-Century Izmir

PhD candidate Os, Nicole van
Thesis advisor Erik-Jan Zürcher
Subject The Ottoman Women’s Movement

PhD candidate Rädecker, Tsila
Thesis advisors Karin Hofmeester with Kocku von Stuckrad
Subject Modernization and the Formation of the Jewish identity 1793-1848

PhD candidate Rieksen, Evert Jan
Thesis advisor Jan Lucassen
Subject Soldier and Worker: the 33rd Light Infantry Regiment 1806-1814

PhD candidate Rigter, Daniele
Thesis advisor Lex Heerma van Voss
Subject Labour Councils 1919-1925
PhD candidate Rossum, Matthias van
Thesis advisors Jan Lucassen with Professor Karel Davids
Subject Asiatic and European Sailors on the Global Labour Market of the VOC, 1650-1800

PhD candidate Schultz, W.
Thesis advisors Marco van Leeuwen with Professor H. Flap and Dr I. Maas
Subject Origins of the Modern Career

PhD candidate Sanders, Huub
Thesis advisor Jan Lucassen
Subject Historical science, Emancipation and Institution Building. Collecting Sources on Social History and Social Movements at the IISH

PhD candidate Sarlak Zeynep
Thesis advisor Erik-Jan Zürcher
Subject Securization of Turkish politics, 1945 - 2008

PhD candidate Savaşkan, Nuran
Thesis advisor Erik-Jan Zürcher
Subject Development of Identity among Migrant Groups for the Caucasus and the Balkan and Turkey

PhD candidate Sliphorst, A.J.M.
Thesis advisors Kees Mandemakers with Professor A.J.A. Bijsterveld and Professor Th.L.M. Engelen
Subject Neighbourhood and Residents inside the Walls, 1880-1920. A Micro-Society in Transition

PhD candidate Soltani, Jamaseb
Thesis advisors Touraj Atabaki with Marcel van der Linden
Subject Social History of Labour in the Iranian Oil Industry 1906-1953

PhD candidate Smit, Cor
Thesis advisors Lex Heerma van Voss and Elise van Nederveen Meerkerk
Subject Child Labour and Social Debate in Leiden in the mid-Nineteenth Century

PhD candidate Sur, Malin
Thesis advisor Willem van Schendel
Subject South Asian Borders

PhD candidate Teeuwen, Danielle
Thesis advisors Lex Heerma van Voss, Marco van Leeuwen and Elise van Nederveen Meerkerk
Subject Charitable collections in the Dutch Republic

PhD candidate Vos, Nick
Thesis advisors Marcel van der Linden with Dr E. Nijhof
Subject The Crude Law of Supply and Demand. Labour Relations in the Textile Industry in Gelderland’s Twente Region, 1945 to 1948/9

PhD candidate Zwart, Pim
Thesis advisors Lex Heerma van Voss and Jan Luiten van Zanden
Subject Commodity Market Integration and Living Standards in the Dutch Commercial Empire, c. 1600-1800
PHD Projects
Completed with Supervision from IISH Staff

Marcel van der Linden supervised the PhD thesis of Gerard Kuijs, Fear of what never came. New Labour Relations in the Netherlands, 1935 – 1945, according to the Example of Twente’s Textile Industry, University of Amsterdam (21 April) [second reader E. Nijhof].

He also supervised the PhD thesis of Babacar Fall, Sénégal, Le travail au XXe siècle, University of Amsterdam (15 June) [co-promotor B. Barry] and Fritz Keller, Solidarity of the Austrian left with the Algerian Resistance Movement, University of Amsterdam (15 June).

Marco van Leeuwen supervised the PhD thesis of R. Zijdeman, Status Attainment in the Netherlands, 1811-1941. Spatial and Temporal Variation before and during Industrialization, Utrecht University (23 April) [ together with Professor H. Flap and Dr I. Maas].

Erik-Jan Zürcher supervised the PhD thesis of Y. Doğan Cetinkaya, Muslim Merchants and Working Class in Action: Nationalism, Social Mobilization and Boycott Movement in the Ottoman Empire 1908-1914 (26 May)

Teaching Assignments of Research Fellows
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Touraj Atabaki
Leiden University, MA programme
First Semester Societies and Cultures of Central Asia
Second Semester Practicing Modernity in Central Asia

Ulbe Bosma
Free University of Amsterdam, BA Programme
Second Semester Foreigners in the Netherlands

Lex Heerma van Voss
Utrecht University, MA Programme
First Semester Comparative History: an Introduction

Karin Hofmeester
University of Antwerp, MA Programme
Second Semester Introduction to Jewish Culture

Nazima Kadir
Amsterdam University College, UvA
Second Semester Introduction to Classical and Modern Anthropological Thought
Second Semester Migration, Integration, and Diversity

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First Semester Globalization and Anti-Globalization Movements
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**Second Semester** Migration and Labour

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*Rotterdam University, MA Programme*  
**First and Second Semester** Research  
Workshop The Life-Cycle in the Past: Birth, Migration and Death  
Rotterdam University, BA programme  
**First and Second Semester** Historisch Atelier (one lecture about sources)

Christine Moll-Murata  
*Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Germany*  
**Summer Term 2010, April 15 - July 15**  
Classical Chinese  
**Summer Term 2010, April 15 - July 15**  
Lecture basic Chinese History  
**Summer Term 2010, April 15 - July 15:**  
**Winter Term 2010/2011, October 15 – February 15**  
Topics and Questions in Sinology  
**Winter Term 2010/2011, October 15 – February 15**  
Introduction to the History of Chinese Architecture  
**Winter Term 2010/2011, October 15 – February 15**  
Colloquium Sinological Studies and recent Publications

Elise van Nederveen Meerkerk  
*Leiden University, BA Programme*  
**Second Semester** Globalization and the World Economy

Matthias van Rossum  
*Free University of Amsterdam, BA Programme*  
**Second Semester** Global Encounters (together with Frasie Hertroys)

Ratna Satpari  
*Leiden University*  
Social Movements  
Global Connections  
Urban Inequalities  
Academic Skills

Ariadne Schmidt  
*Leiden University, BA Programme*  
**First Semester** The Miracle of the Dutch Republic  
**Second Semester** Economic and Social History

Erik-Jan Zürcher  
*Leiden University, MA Programme*  
**First Semester:** From Empire to Republic  
**Second Semester** Turkey since World War II

Marina de Regt  
*University of Amsterdam, BA Programme*  
**First Semester** Anthropology of the Middle East (together with Annelies Moors)
Scholarly Publications

Touraj Atabaki (ed.), Devlet ve Maduniyat. Türkiye ve İran’da Modernleşme Toplum ve Devlet. İstanbul: İstabul Üniversitesi Yayınları.


Stefano Bellucci, Africa contemporanea. Politica, cultura e istituzioni a sud del Sahara, Rome: Carrocci.


Reinoud Bosch [with H. Boeije], Wetenschapsfilosofische grondslagen bij analyseren in kwalitatief onderzoek. Amsterdam: Boom.


Lex Heerma van Voss [with E. Van Nederveen Meerkerk and E. Hiemstra], ‘Introduction’ in: *ibid.*, 1-16.


Lex Heerma van Voss, [with E. van Nederveen Meerkerk and E. Hiemstra], ‘Covering the World: Some Conclusions to the Project’, in: *ibid.*, 773-792.


Els Hiemstra [with L. Heerma van Voss and E. van Nederveen Meerkerk], ‘Covering the World: Some Conclusions to the Project’, in: ibid., 773-792.


Jan Kok [with J. van Bavel], ‘Uitstel en afstel van ouderschap tijdens het interbellum in Nederland’, in: ibid., 197-227.


Marco van Leeuwen [with T. Botelho] (eds), Mobilidade Social em Sociedades Coloniais e Pós-Coloniais: Brasil e Paraguai, séculos XVIII e XIX. [Social Mobility in Colonial and Post-Colonial Societies: Brazil and Paraguay, 18th and 19th centuries]. Fapemig.


Marco van Leeuwen [with I. Maas], ‘Endogamiya i sotsial’nyi klass v istorii: obzor’ [Endogamy and social class in history: an overview], in: ibid.

Marco van Leeuwen [with T. Botelho] (eds), Desigualdade social na América do Sul em perspectiva histórica [Social mobility in South-America in historical perspective]. Fapemig.


Marcel van der Linden (ed.), *Humanitarian Intervention and Changing Labor Relations. Long-Term Consequences of the Abolition of the Slave Trade*. [Studies in Global Social History, 7]. Leiden: Brill.


Marcel van der Linden [with C. Brown] (eds), *International Labor and Working Class History*, vol 78, no 2.

Marcel van der Linden [with C. Brown], ‘Shifting Boundaries between Free and Unfree Labor’, *ibid.*, 4-11.


Marcel van der Linden, ‘Unanticipated Consequences of “Humanitarian Intervention”: The British Campaign to Abolish the Slave Trade, 1807-1900’, *Theory and Society*, vol 39, no 2, 281-298.

Henk Looijesteijn, [with A. Doedens], *De Kroniek van Henrica van Erp, abdis van Vrouwenklooster*. Hilversum: Verloren.

Jan Lucassen [with J. Kloosterman], *Rebels with a Cause*. Amsterdam: Aksant, 238 pp.

Jan Lucassen [with J. Kloosterman], *Wereldverbeteraars*. Amsterdam: Aksant, 238 pp.


Jan Lucassen [with L. Lucassen], The Mobility Transition in Europe Revisited, 1500-1900: Sources and Methods. Amsterdam: [IISH Research Papers 44], 123 pp.


Kees Mandemakers, Historical Sample of the Netherlands (HSN). Data Set Civil Certificates Release 2010.01 (births/deaths n=78.105; marriages n=29.480) [Dataset].

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Kees Mandemakers, HSN release DVI 2010.01 (release in HSN outputversie 4.05, alleen Duitsers, periode 1860-1880, gebaseerd op DVI release 04) [Dataset].

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Elise van Nederveen Meerkerk [with L. Heerma van Voss and E. Hiemstra], ‘Introduction’ in: *ibid.*, 1-16.


Elise van Nederveen Meerkerk [with L. Heerma van Voss and E. Hiemstra], ‘Covering the World: Some Conclusions to the Project’, in: *ibid.*, 773-792.


Ruud Paesie, ‘Coppename-expedities (1717) naar de Akuriyo Indianen’, Oso.: Tijdschrift voor Surinamistiek en het Caraïbisch gebied, no 2, 331-347.


Matthias van Rossum, ‘Kleurrijke zeelieden: groepsvorming, klasse en interculturele verhoudingen op een mondiale arbeidsmarkt (1890-1945)’, Tijdschrift voor Zeegeschiedenis, vol 29, no 1, 69-76.


Professional Publications


Afelonne Doek et al, IISH Guidelines for Preserving Research Data: a Framework for Preserving Collaborative Data Collections for Future Research. [s.l: s.n.].


Lex Heerma van Voss et al, IISH Guidelines for Preserving Research Data: a Framework for Preserving Collaborative Data Collections for Future Research. [s.l: s.n.].


Karin Hofmeester et al, IISH Guidelines for Preserving Research Data: a Framework for Preserving Collaborative Data Collections for Future Research. [s.l: s.n.].


Jan Kok et al, IISH Guidelines for Preserving Research Data: a Framework for Preserving Collaborative Data Collections for Future Research. [s.l: s.n.].

Jan Kok [with S. Dormans], Eindrapportage. Hublab-2. 2010. Naar succesvolle implementatie van het Liferay platform in historisch onderzoek [s.l.: s.n.].


Huub Sanders [with A. Blok], ‘Bibliography’, IRSH, vol 55, no 2, 341-363.


Ariadne Smidt, ‘Vrouwen die de kost verdienen’, Kunstsch rift 6, 14-23


Sjaak van der Velden, ‘Commissarissen tegen kapitalisme?’, Praktijkblad Ondernemingsraad, vol 32, no 9, 41.

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**Jan Lucassen and Leo Lucassen**, *The mobility transition in Europe revisited, 1500-1900: Sources and methods*. 129 pp. [Research paper no. 46]


**Klaus Misgeld**, *A Complicated Solidarity. The Swedish Labour Movement and Solidarność*. 40 pp. [Research paper no. 45.]

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Touraj Atabaki

*Keynote Lecture* ‘Clock, Time and Labour Discipline in the Ottoman Empire’, Urban Landscape of Modernity, Istanbul and the Ruhr Area, Bilgi University, Istanbul (15 December)

*Lecture* ‘Contesting Marginality: Ethnicity and Constructing of New Histories in the Islamic Republic of Iran’, Rethinking Iranian Nationalism, University of Texas, Austin, (2 April)

*Lecture* ‘Iranian Changing Identities’, Iranian Identity in National, Historical and Global Contexts, California State University (27 May)

*Lecture* ‘The Making of Working Class in the Iranian Oil Industry’, Biannual Conference of Intentional Society of Iranian Studies, Santa Monica (30 May)

Gerrit Bloothooft


*Poster Presentation* [with K. Mandemakers and F. Bosmans] ‘LINKS koppeling van historische persoonsgegevens’, Najaarsymposium Nederlandse Vereniging voor Humane Genetica, Amsterdam (19 November)
Jacques van Gerwen
Lecture ‘The History of the NEHA and IISH’, IISH (2 December)

Patricia Kennedy Grimsted
Keynote Presentation ‘War on the Freemasons: the Fate of Nazi and Soviet Seized Books and Archives’, Canonbury Masonic Center Conference, Islington (30-31 October)
Lecture ‘World War II and the Cultural Heritage of Ukraine: the Continuing Saga of Trophies Restitution’, Seminar Ukrainian Research Institute, Harvard University (26 April)
Presentation ‘The ERR versus the RSHA: Patterns of Plunder and Migration as Factors in Archival and Library Restitution – East and West’, Colloquium ‘Archives and Library Seizures and Restitution During the 20th Century’, Université de Strasbourg (22-24 October)

Lex Heerma van Voss
Lecture ‘North Sea Capitalism and the Sound Toll’, Workshop Sound Toll Registers Online - First Proof. STR online as an Instrument for Historical Research, Groningen (10 June)

Marien van der Heijden
Lecture ‘Chinese Propaganda Posters in the Collection of the International Institute of Social History, Amsterdam’, Fakultät für Ostasienwissenschaften, Ruhr-Universität Bochum, (27 January)
Lecture ‘The Centrale Digitization Project’, Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, Bonn (28 January)

Karin Hofmeester
Lecture ‘Women’s Work in the Late Medieval Islamic World: Maimonides vs Reality’, ESSHC, Ghent (15 April)
Lecture ‘The Sephardic Model of Emancipation and the Political Integration of Jews in the Netherlands in the 19th and 20th Century’, IX Congress of the European Association for Jewish Studies, Ravenna (28 July)
Lecture ‘Diamonds are Forever – on the Move’, Meeting KNAW Board, Amsterdam (12 April)
Lecture ‘Digital Sources and Databases’, Masterclass on Global Labour History, IISH (25 November)

Peyman Jafari
Lecture ‘Entrepreneurs, Civil Society and
Democratization in Iran: the Case of the Iran Chamber of Commerce, Industries and Mines’, University of Amsterdam (29 November)

Johan Joor

Keynote Lecture ‘Staat, straat en strand: Nederland in de Napoleontische tijd, mede vanuit Westlands perspectief’, Jubileumcongres 75 jaar Historisch Genootschap Oud-Westland, ’s-Gravenzande (27 March)

Nazima Kadir

Lecture ‘Hierarchy and Authority in the Squatters Movement.’ Presentation of research to Squatters Movement. Joe’s Garage, Squatted Social Center. Amsterdam. (January)

Lecture ‘Decoding Disavowed Authority: Cultural Centrality and Marginality, Emotional Sovereignty, and Gossip as a Means to Transact the Homosocial.’ No Movement Without Archives Symposium. Casco Projects, Office for Art, Design, and Theory. Utrecht (March)


Lecture ‘Taste Cultures and Radical Habitus in the Contemporary Squatters’ Movement in Amsterdam.’ Opening Exposition of ‘The Squatted Ideal,’ Schijnheilig Gallery and Squatted Social Center. Amsterdam (December)

Gijs Kessler

Paper ‘Changing Labour Relations in Russia, 1800-2000’, XI International Academic Conference on Economic and Social Development, Higher School of Economics, Moscow (6-8 April)

Paper ‘Migration and Family Systems in Russia and the Soviet Union 19th – 20th centuries’, Conference on Migration and Mobility in a Global Historical Perspective, National Taiwan University, Taipei (25-29 August)

Lecture ‘Global Labor History: From Workers’ Strikes to Workers’ Movement’, Visual Culture Research Center, Kyiv-Mohyla Academy (22 October)

Interview at the Social Science Research Centre, Kyiv for «Spil’ne» Zhurnal sotsial’noi kritiki (22 October)


Jan Kok


Invited Lecture ‘New Initiatives for Historical Family Studies in Flanders and Ceylon’, Workshop
Goetz Langkau

Interview ‘Die abwegige Reise des Adler-Archivs’, Ö1 / Austrian Broadcasting Corporation (29 March)

Ursula Langkau-Alex


I Lecture ‘Deutschsprachiges Exil in den Niederlanden nach 1933’, Deutsch-Niederländischer Verein (7 May)

Interview ‘EXIL: Wenig Unterstützung für politische Verfolgte – Migranten fassen schwer in neuer Heimat Fuß’, NWZ Online: Stadt Oldenburg und Regionalausgaben (16 March)

Marco van Leeuwen

Lecture ‘Giving in Amsterdam’s Golden Age’, ESSH, Ghent (13-16 April)


Lecture [with I. Maas, J-P. Pélissier and D. Rébaudo] ‘Changing Patterns of Class Endogamy in France during the Past Three Centuries’, ESSH, Ghent (13-16 April)

Interview ‘Regional Variation in Illegitimacy and the Notion of Family Systems’, ICHS Amsterdam (24 August)

Lecture ‘Human Agency and Reproduction’, 35th Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association, Chicago (18-21 November)


Lecture ‘Regional Variation in Illegitimacy and the Notion of Family Systems’, ICHS Amsterdam (24 August)


Lecture ‘Human Agency and Reproduction’, 35th Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association, Chicago (18-21 November)

Lecture ‘Clio-infra. Uncovering the Pathways of Global Inequality’, Masterclass IISH (25 November)

Lecture ‘Colonial Thombos: and the Reconstruction of Landholding and Family Forms in Ceylon, 1760-1770, Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research, Rostock (7 December)

Lecture ‘Clio-infra. The Challenges of Interfacing’, VKS (16 December)
D. Rébaudo ‘Intergenerational Social Mobility in France, 1680-1920’, ESSHC, Ghent, (13-16 April). Also Presented at the XVII World Congress of the International Sociological Association, Gothenburg (11-17 July)

Lecture ‘Towards Open Societies? Trends, Variations and Driving Forces of Intergenerational Social Mobility in Europe over the Past Three Centuries’, Demographic Database, Umea University (4 May)

Lecture ‘Migrants’ Entitlements to Poor Relief in the Netherlands, 16th-20th Centuries’, Workshop on Migrants, Entitlements and Welfare, 1500-2000: Comparative Perspective, Royal Flemish Academy, Brussels (6-7 September)

Lecture [with H. Lootjesjein] ‘Identity Registration in the Dutch Republic during the Early Modern Period’, Workshop on the Comparative History of Civil Registration, St Johns College, Cambridge (7 September)


Marcel van der Linden

Keynote Lecture ‘An Old Discipline Transformed: Labour History Goes Global’, National Conference, Swedish School of History, Höör (1 February)

Keynote Lecture ‘Global Labour History: What’s New?’, Conference Labour and Society Research Group, Northumbria University/ Newcastle University (4 February)

Keynote Lecture ‘L’Histoire ouvrière: le vieux, le neuf et le global’, Marcel Liebman Lecture, Université Libre, Brussels (29 April)

Keynote Lecture ‘Capitalism and the Working Class’, Marcel Liebman Lecture, Vrije Universiteit Brussels (30 April)


Keynote Lecture ‘Global Labour History’, Pre-conference Turkish Labour History, Bogacici University Istanbul (20 June)

Keynote Lecture ‘Concluding Remarks’, on the Conference ‘Space, Capital and Social History in South Asia’, Georg-August-University, Göttingen (26 June)

Keynote Lecture ‘Global Labour History’, IALHI Conference, IISH (3 September)

Keynote Lecture ‘Concluding Remarks, on the Conference ‘Ostmitteleuropa Transnational’, GWZO, University of Leipzig (19 October)

Keynote Lecture ‘Socialisms’, Conference ‘Dimensions of Socialism’, IISH (18 November)

Lecture ‘Labour Militancy, Working Class Formation and the State in Europe and Asia’, ESSHC, Ghent (16 April)

Lecture ‘Marxist Critiques of the Soviet Union, 1917-2010’, ESSHC, Ghent (16 April)

Lecture ‘Chris Harman’s People’s History of the World’, Marxism Festival (24 April)

Lecture ‘The Grey Area between Free and Unfree Labour’, Conference ‘Slave, Forced and ‘Free Labour in Comparative Historical Perspective’, University of Nottingham (7 September)

Henk Looijesteijn

Lecture ‘Founding Dutch Almshouses c. 1400 – c. 1800, the Current State of Research (Revised Version)’, ESSHC, Ghent (13 April)

Lecture [with E. van Nederveen Meerkerk] ‘Charity Seems to be very National among them. Motives for Founding Almhouses in the Netherlands c. 1350–c. 1800, Voluntary Action History Society Research Conference, University of Kent, Canterbury (14 July)

Lecture ‘Petitioning, Colonial Policy, Constitutional Experiment and the Development of Dutch Political Thought’, 10th International Conference on Urban History, Ghent (1 September)

Lecture [with M. van Leeuwen] ‘Identity Registration in the Dutch Republic during the Early Modern Period’, Workshop on the Comparative History of Civil Registration, St Johns College, Cambridge (7 September)

Lecture ‘Hofjes en hun stichters in Nederland, c. 1350-1800’, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (22 September)

Lecture [with E. van Nederveen Meerkerk] ‘Charity Seems to be Very National among them. Gevers aan liefdadige doelen in de Republiek’, Gouden Eeuw Colloquium (2 December)

Jan Lucassen

Lectures ‘Presentations’ and ‘Representing Nature at the IISH’, 20th Friends of the IISH Meeting, IISH (7 January)

Lecture ‘The Mobility Transition Revisited’ (Roundtable Session), ESSHIC Ghent, (14-16 April)

Lecture ‘The Social History of Sailors Worldwide’, Leiden University (7 May)

Lecture ‘The Mobility Transition Revisited’, Cambridge University Department of Geography, Cambridge (21 June)

Lecture ‘Presentations’, 21st Friends of the IISH Meeting, IISH (24 June)

Lecture ‘The Ideas behind the Exhibition Rebels with a Cause’, Amsterdam University (19 November)

Lecture ‘Seasonal Migrants in European History, Exemplified by the Lippe Brick Makers’, Bochum University (30 November)


Interview with Dutch Actress Carry Tefsen about her German Ancestors, Dutch TV 2, NTR, ‘Verborgen verleden: Carry Tefsen (7 November)

Interview on Exhibition ‘Rebels with a Cause. The IISH at 75’ with Trouw (28 October)

Kees Mandemakers


Invited Lecture ‘International Perspectives and New Developments with Longitudinal Historical Databases’, Norwegian Historical Population Register, Workshop on Data Structures, Tromsø, (10 – 11 June)

Invited Lecture ‘Large Historical Databases with Longitudinal Micro Data: International Perspectives and New Developments’, Conference Supporting Digital Humanities (First Conference Organized jointly by CLARIN and DARIAH), Vienna (19-20 October)

19th and 20th Century’, Session 65: Global Climate Change and Health/Mortality Consequences, Population Association of America Conference, Dallas (15-17 April)

Lecture [with J. Kok] ‘Co-residence and Proximity of Kin in the Case of Elderly and Single People in Rural Holland, 1860-1940’, ESSHC, Ghent (13-16 April)

Lecture ‘Gathering Student Data from the Perspective of Existing Databases (HSN and LINKS)’, Symposium ‘Digitale Databases en Universiteitsgeschiedenis’, Utrecht (19 May)

Lecture ‘Parsing Data from Several Sources in the Netherlands with LINKS’, Workshop Longitudinal Analysis, Historical Sources and Generational Change, University of Guelph (24-25 May)

Lecture ‘HSN. Historische Steekproef Nederlandse bevolking’, Presentatie ter gelegenheid Nominatie DANS Dataprijs 2010, Amsterdam (18 June)

Invited Lecture ‘Large Historical Databases with Longitudinal Micro Data: International Perspectives and New Developments’, Centre Rouland Mousnier, Université de Paris IV, workshop Phénomènes de Parenté et Informatique: Nouvelles Perspectives, Paris (20 September)


Lecture ‘LINKS, Linking Historical Registrations into Families and Pedigrees’, CATCH Symposium LINKS: Reconstructing Historical Families, IISH (26 November)

Poster Session ‘Historical Sample of the Netherlands’, Closing the Deal, Taskforce Stimulerings Grootschalige Onderzoeksfaciliteiten (Ministerie OCW), Leids Universitair Medisch Centrum (2 December)

Lecture ‘De Historische Steekproef Nederland’, werkconferentie Biografisch Portaal, Koninklijke Bibliotheek Den Haag (10 December)


Poster Session ‘LINKing System for Historical Family Reconstruction’, Symposium HiTiME – ‘Capturing History & Time’, IISH (26 March)


Postersession [with G. Bloothooft and F. Bosmans] ‘LINKS koppeling van historischepersoonsgegevens’ Najaarssymposium van de Nederlandse Vereniging voor Humane Genetica, AMC, Amsterdam (19 November)

Christine Moll Murata
Lecture ‘State and Crafts in the Qing Dynasty’, Workshop Technological Cultures: Themes and Methods in the History of Technology, Max Planck Institut für Wissenschaftsgeschichte, Berlin (25 January)

Wissenschaftsgeschichte, Berlin (26 January)

Lecture ‘The Industrious and Over-industrious: Work Ethics in China in the 16th and 17th Centuries’, IISH (2 March)

Presentation ‘Soldiers in the Qing Dynasty China, 1644-1911’, Workshop ‘Fighting for a Living”, IISH (23 March)


Elise van Nederveen Meerkerk


The Case of Tea and Coffee Sellers in 18th -century Leiden, Low Countries Seminar, Institute of Historical Research, London (5 February)


Keynote Lecture Vijftig jaar Textielhistorische Bijdragen. Veranderende patronen in de textielgeschiedschrijving, Jubileumbijeenkomst Stichting Textielgeschiedenis, Enschede (25 November)


Lecture [with A. Schmidt and R. Hernandes] ‘Women’s Labour Force Participation in Urban and Rural Manufactures and Services in Castile and the Dutch Republic (17th and 18th Centuries), ESSHC, Ghent (14 April)

Lecture ‘Gouden Eeuw dankzij de vrouw? De positie van vrouwen in de Republiek’, Historisch Cafe, Amsterdam (16 June)

Lecture [with H. Looijesteijn] ‘Charity Seems to be very National among them. Motives for Founding Almhouses in the Netherlands c. 1350-c. 1800, Voluntary Action History Society Research Conference, University of Kent, Canterbury (14 July)

Lecture ‘Vrije vrouwen? De sociale en economische positie van vrouwen in de Republiek (ca. 1580-1795)’, ICLON Geschiedenisdag, Leiden (17 September)


Lecture ‘National Registrations, Additional Sources and Female Labour Force Participation Rates: the Netherlands in the 19th Century’, ESF Workshop ‘Reconstructing the Female Labor Force Participation Rate in Western Europe, 18th and 19th Centuries, Barcelona (6 November)

Lecture [with H. Looijesteijn] ‘Charity Seems to be Very National among them. Gevers aan liefdadige doelen in de Republiek’, Gouden Eeuw Colloquium (2 December)

Lecture ‘Wat kunnen we leren van de geschiedenis van kinderarbeid?’ Public Debate in Honour of 75-anniversary IISH (16 December)

Marina de Regt


Paper ‘Gendered Memories of Migration: Towards
a Social History of Ethiopian Women’s Migration to Yemen’, ESSHC, Ghent (13-16 April)

Lecture ‘Anthropological Insights on Female Domestic Workers’ Trajectories from the Horn of Africa to the Arabian Peninsula’, Interdisciplinary One-day workshop Migration to the Gulf Countries: From Exception to Normality? Oxford (18 June)

Paper ‘Ethiopian Women’s Migration to Yemen: Past and Present’, III World Congress of Middle Eastern Studies, Barcelona, Spain (19-24 July)

Lecture ‘Man-vrouw verhoudingen in het Midden-Oosten’, Interdisciplinary Course Macht en Onmacht in het Midden-Oosten, University of Amsterdam (6 October)

Lecture and Film Screening ‘Migration in Africa and the Middle East’, Working Group Global Migration: Humanitarian Issues and Policy Responses, University of Amsterdam (23 November)

Lecture and Film Screening: ‘Domestic workers in Yemen’, at the Course Inleiding in de Sociologie der Niet-Westerse Samenlevingen ‘Globalisering en Lokale Veranderingen’, University of Amsterdam (25 November)

Tanja Rietmann


Matthias van Rossum

Lecture ‘Intercultural Encounters in a Global Labour Market: the Dutch East India Company’, ESSHC, Ghent (15 April)

Lecture ‘Sailors, Intercultural Encounters and Space?’, Conference on Space, Capital and Social History in South Asia, Göttingen (26 June)

Huub Sanders

Lecture on the Archives of the IISH, Casco, Utrecht (13 March)


Lecture ‘The International Institute of Social History: Archives and Heritage, Knowledge, Histories and Stories’, Archives without Borders, Den Haag (31 August)

Interview on the Archives of the IISH, Televisió de Catalunya (Barcelona)-TV3 (19 May)

Willem van Schendel

Keynote Lecture ‘Apparent Horizons – South Asia from its Borderlands’, Social Science Baha, Kathmandu (30 March)


Lecture and Published Interview: ‘Jati Gothone Shob Gosthir Moto Amole Nite Hobe’, Dhaka Bangladesh (22 December)

Interview ‘Bangladesh is not Just a Bengali Nation’, Dhaka Bangladesh (31 December)

Ariadne Schmidt

Lecture [with E. van Nederveen Meerkerk and R. Hernandes] ‘Women’s Labour Force Participation in Urban and Rural Manufactures and Services in Castile and the Dutch Republic (17th and 18th Centuries)’, ESSHC Ghent (14 April)

Lecture ‘Introduction to Classification Systems: IISG’s HISCO, CamPop’s PST, Standardized Descriptions’, Conference on Women’s Work in Early Modern Europe, Cambridge (23 September)

Lecture ‘Participation Rates and Occupational Descriptors: from Local Registrations to Female Labour Force Participation Rates: Dutch Towns in
Angelie Sens


Kathinka Sinha-Kerkhoff

Paper ‘Chewing Tobacco: a Bihari Anti-Commodity’ Workshop on ‘Local Forms of Production as Resistance against Global Domination: Anti-Commodities’, IISH, (17-19 June)

Sjaak van der Velden

Lecture ‘Het einde van het poldermodel?’, Studium Generale – Crea, Universiteit van Amsterdam (18 March)
Lecture ‘Roemruchte stakingen in Nederland’ Universiteit van Amsterdam (29 March)
Lecture ‘Why do workers strike?’, ESSHC, Ghent (16 April)
Lecture ‘Vakbondsleden tijdens de Oorlog’, Vakbonds Historische Vereniging, Amsterdam, (24 April)
Lecture ‘Vakbonden en stakingen’, NHRM, Amsterdam (12 May)
Lectures Scholing 3: Geschiedenis van het socialisme. Scholing 4: De grote stromingen van het socialisme, ROOD zomerschool (13 July)
Lecture ‘Geschiedenis van het socialisme’, SP-Zomeruniversiteit, Lochem(17 July, 14 August, 21 August)

Lecture ‘De geschiedenis van het socialisme in Nederland’, SP-kaderscholing afdeling Leiden (9 October)
Lecture ‘De ambtenarenstaking van 1983’, Ledenbijeenkomst Vakbonds Historische Vereniging, Rotterdam (30 October)
Lecture ‘Socialisten en de vakbeweging’, Open scholingsdag Internationale Socialisten, Amsterdam (12 December)

Debate ‘Zware beroepen’, BNR-Nieuwsradio (19 January)

Debate ‘De beginselen van het socialisme, debat Wetenschappelijke Bureaus CDA, SP en VVD, organized by the JOVD, Den Haag (27 May)

Interview ‘Agnes Jongerius, beschadigde voorzitter van een gespleten club’, Gemeenschappelijke Pers Diensten (2 January)

Interview ‘FNV wijzigt AOW-koers’, De Telegraaf (7 January)

Interview ‘Begin de staking niet te ruig, verhard als de baas niet buigt’, NRC Next (3 February)

Interview ‘Heeft staken zin?, BNR Nieuwsradio (10 February)

Interview ‘Het leven van Hendrik Spiekman, RTV Rijnmond, Rotterdammers van Formaat (14 February)

Interview ‘Staking schoonmakers langste sinds 1933’, Trouw (1 April)

Interview ‘Stakers hadden publiek mee’, NRC Handelsblad en NRC Next (23 April)

Interview ‘Succesvolle stakingen geven vakbond glans’, NRC Handelsblad (27 April)

Interview ‘Hebben stakingen zin?, Radio Nederland Wereldomroep (30 April)

Interview ‘Goeidat de ambtenarenbonden voet bij stuk hebben gehouden’, Stand.nl-NCRV radio (17 May)

Interview ‘Actie in zorg is nog maar begin’, De Volkskrant (20 May)
Interview ‘De staking van de schoonmakers’, FUN X radio (13 June)
Interview ‘Gaan vakbonden staken of praten?’, de Volkskrant (26 June)
Interview ‘Betekent de uitslag van het referendum dat de vakbond vooruitstrevend is geworden?’, BNR Nieuwsradio (1 July)
Interview ‘Komt er een stakingsgolf?’, BNR Nieuwsradio (16 July)
Interview ‘Sociale onrust neemt toe in Europa’, Het Financieele Dagblad (5 August)
Interview ‘Vakbondsdemonstratie Brussel en Den Haag’, BNR Nieuwsradio (29 September)
Interview ‘Wat te doen bij een dreigende staking?’, BNR Nieuwsradio (25 October)
Interview ‘Waarom zijn jongeren niet meer politiek actief?’, FunX radio (27 October)
Interview ‘Twee stakingen, maar nog geen hete herfst, Algemeen Dagblad (9 November)
Interview ‘Os trabalhadores fazem greve quando acreditam que vale a pena, Rubra, no 9, 20-21.
Interview ‘Staken is niet meer van deze tijd?’, BNR Nieuwsradio (16 November)
Interview ‘Zijn stakers TNT Post te lief?’, Ochtendspits televisie (26 November)
Interview ‘Alternatieven voor staking?’, NCRV radio (15 December)
Interview ‘Vakbonden in heel Europa gebruiken kerst om stakingsacties kracht bij te zetten’, Het Financieele Dagblad (16 December)
Interview ‘Is staken van deze tijd?’, TROS Nieuwsshow (18 December)

Erik Jan Zürcher
Lecture ‘Odd Man Out, or: Why was the Republic of Turkey not Proclaimed in 1918? CERI?’
La Turquie entre nationalism et globalization, Science Po Paris (25 March)
Keynote Lecture ‘In the Name of the Father, the Teacher and the Hero’, ASEN Conference,

London (16 April)
Interview ‘Rebels with a Cause. The IISH at 75’ NOS Journaal (21 October)
Interview ‘Rebels with a Cause. The IISH at 75’ de Volkskrant (25 October)
Interview ‘Rebels with a Cause. The IISH at 75’ NOS Radio 1 Journaal (25 October)
Interview ‘Rebels with a Cause. The IISH at 75’ het Parool’ (26 October)
Interview ‘Rebels with a Cause. The IISH at 75’ NCRV Casa Luna’ (28 October)
Interview ‘Rebels with a Cause. The IISH at 75’ AmsterdamFM’ (14 November)

Lecture ‘The Limits of Modernization in Kemalist Turkey’, FRIAS Conference on Fascism, Stalinism and Kemalism, Freiburg (4 December)
Participation in External Conferences and Foreign Travel

Jacques van Gerwen took part in an Expertmeeting on Migrant Entrepreneurs, EIM, Zoetermeer (13 October); he organized an Expertmeeting on the Impact of the Trans Atlantic Trade on the Economic Development of the Netherlands in the Early Modern Period, IISH (10 December)

Patricia Kennedy Grimsted took part in the workshop at Zentrum für Zeithistorische Forschung on the proposed International Communist Studies and Archives Internet Portal (icsap), Potsdam (2 June); paid a working visit to the German Historical Museum, the Pergamon Museum and the Bundesarchiv, Berlin (1-8 June); paid a working visit to the Rosarkhiv, Moskow (9 June-25 July and 15-29 August); participated in the launch of err Collection in TsDAVO, Kyiv (29 August- 7 September); went to the meeting with Open Society Archive, Budapest (9 October); did research in the Foreign Ministry MAEE Archives and met with the Centre for Contemporary Jewish Documentation, Paris (11-29 October); did research in the National Archives, London (5-14 November)

Marien van der Heijden took part in the iahlı Coordination Committee, Paris (13 February) and Amsterdam (1 September); iahlı Annual Conference, Amsterdam (2-4 September); HOPE Project Meetings, Paris (12 February and 25 October), and paid a working visit to Beijing (14-21 May).

Els Hiemstra organized the European Social Science History Conference (esshc), Ghent (13-16 April); took part in the ICCA Association Expert Seminar, Frankfurt (22-24 May); organized the International Congress of Historical Sciences (ichs), Amsterdam (22-28 August); paid working visits to Ghent (26-27 January, 1 April), Frankfurt (imex) (24-26 May); Glasgow (9-10 June) and Vienna (8-10 November)

Karin Hofmeester organized the session ‘Global Labour Relations and Work Ethics, 1500-2000’, ESSHC, Ghent (15 April); organized the workshop Ottoman Empire Network of the Global Collaboratory on the History of Labour Relations, 1500-2000, Istanbul (18 -19 June); was organizer of the session ‘The Sefardic Model of Emancipation and Integration in Europe in the 19th and 20th Century’, IX Congress of the European Association of Jewish Studies, Ravenna (28 July)

Gijs Kessler was discussant, section SOC10: ‘Social Inequality in the Russian Empire’, esshc, Gent (16 April); took part in a workshop of The International Communist Studies and Archives Internet Portal (The ICSAP-Project) at the Zentrum für Zeithistorische Forschung, Potsdam (2 June); organized [with: J. Lucassen and U. Bosma] a conference on Migration and Mobility in a Global Historical Perspective, National Taiwan University, Taipei (25-29 August); paid a visit to the Visual Culture Research Center, Kyiv-Mohyla Academy and the Social Science Research Centre, Kyiv (21-22 October) and travelled to St. Petersburg (20-21 November)
Jaap Kloosterman was a chair in the panel on ‘Archival Transition in Russia after Perestroika and the Legacy of the Second World War’, International Council for Central and East European Studies VIII World Congress, Stockholm (27 July); he also chaired the session, ‘Anti-Masonry’, 12th annual conference of the Canonbury Masonic Research Centre, London (30-31 October)

Jan Kok was a chair in the session Family Transmission Systems: from Customs to Civil Code II, ESSHC Ghent (15 April); and a chair in the session Social Mobility, esshc Ghent (16 April); he was commentator on the papers of Matthys and Walhout, Posthumus Conference Leiden (21 May); commented on the session ‘Family, Demography and Well-being: Historical Perspectives on Eastern Europe I, ichs Amsterdam (23 August); he chaired the session ‘Are Family Systems only for Land Owning Families? The Usefulness of the Concept of Family System’, ichs Amsterdam (24 August); he commented on session two, Conference Marriage Patterns, Household Formation and Economic Development, Utrecht (6 October); participated in a panel at the bookpresentation Migration History in World History, Leiden (15 October); he organized the booksession Prudence and Pressure: Reproduction and Human Agency in Europe and Asia, 1700-1900 on the 35th Meeting of the Social Science History Association, Chicago (18-21 November); on the same Conference he was a chair in the session Clustering of Infant Mortality; he was teacher in the Masterclass on the subject of Clio-infra. Uncovering the Pathways of Global Inequality, IISH (25 November); he co-organized and chaired the Derde dag van de Historische Demografie, Leuven (2 December)

Ursula Langkau-Alex organized, chaired and was discussant in the 25 Jahrestagung/Interdisziplinäre Konferenz der Gesellschaft für Exilforschung, Bremerhaven (12-14 March); took part in the iahlhi Conference, IISH (1-3 September); visited the symposium ‘Multatuli als emancipator’, IISH (30 October); took part in the workshop ‘Dimensions of Socialism’, IISH (18-19 November)

Marco van Leeuwen [with L. Lees] organized the Social Inequalities Network on the ESSHC, Ghent (13-16 April); [with I. Broekman et al] he organized the workshop Careers in the Dutch Golden Age, Free University Amsterdam (28 August); [with B. van Bavel et al] he organized Vital Institutions of the Open Society, Utrecht University (1 October)

Jan Lucassen acted as commentator in the workshop ‘The Reception of Netherlandish Art in the Indian Ocean Region and East Asia, and its Impact on Asian Cultures’, nias, Wassenaar (13-15 January); he participated in the meetings of the Scientific Advisory Board of the IISH (22-23 January); he chaired a discussion at the book launch of U. Bosma’s ‘Indiëgangers’, Spui 25, Amsterdam (28 January); he participated in the workshop ‘Fighting for a Living’, IISH (23-24 March); he acted as chair and commentator in four sessions (D2, K7, I9, A16) at the ESSHC Ghent (14-16 April); he acted as a commentator at the conference ‘Food Hawkers: Selling in the streets from antiquity to the present’, Cambridge, UK (22-23 April); he visited [with P. Lourens]) the State Archive at Detmold (31 May-2 June and 4-7 October); he was co-organizer of the second workshop on labour Relations in the Ottoman Empire, 1500-1900, Istanbul, (18-19 June); he visited the State Archives of India at New Delhi
Elise van Nederveen Meerkerk took part in the public debate on ‘Wat kunnen we leren van de geschiedenis van kinderarbeid?’ in honour of the 75th Anniversary of the IISH, Amsterdam (16 December)

Marina de Regt took part in the ESSHC, Ghent (11-16 April), the interdisciplinary one-day workshop Migration to the Gulf Countries: From Exception to Normality? Oxford (18 June) and the Third World Congress on Middle Eastern Studies, Barcelona (19-24 July); and paid working visits to Brussels (15 January); Rabat (22-27 January), Cairo (26 May to 2 June), Yogyakarta (6-13 August), Dakar (31 October-6 November)

Matthias van Rossum organized the session ‘Rethinking Global-Local: the Role of Overseas Organisations in Early Modern Global Encounters, ESSHC, Ghent (15 April)

Huub Sanders took part in the ESSHC, Ghent, Belgium (11-16 April); went to Paris for Talks with the ICC of La Via Campesina (14 November)

Willem van Schendel made the photo-exhibition on ‘Life in South Asian Borderlands’, Kathmandu Nepal (28 March-10 April), University of Chiang Mai, Thailand (1-7 November); he co-organized the workshop and policy dialogue ‘Illegal but Licit: Transnational Flows and Permissive Polities in Asia’, Xiamen University, Xiamen China (12-14 January) and Kathmandu Nepal (29-30 March); participated in the television documentary ‘The India-Bangladesh Enclaves’, cnn International Television (2 June); he co-organized the 2nd Asian Borderlands Conference on the University of Chiang Mai (5-7 November)

Kees Mandemakers was organizer and discussant in the session ‘New Developments with Large Historical Databases’, ESSHC Ghent (13-16 April); organized and was a discussant in the session ‘Making Large and Complex Databases Easy to Use’ on the ichs, Amsterdam (22 August); organized the workshop ‘Historical Longitudinal Databases’ as a preconference of the 35th Social Science History Conference, Chicago (18 November); organized the catch Symposium links: Reconstructing Historical Families at the IISH (26 November)

Ariadne Schmidt [with C. Sarasua] organized the session ‘Female labour force participation in the European past, c. 1600-1900’, ESSHC, Ghent (14 April); participated in the conference ‘Women’s Work in early Modern Europe’, Jesus College Cambridge (23-24 September)

Emile Schwidder paid a working visit to Indonesia (9-23 April), and a working visit to Singapore, Malaysia and Thailand (31 October – 14 November)

Meetings Held at the Institute

Guided Tours
- Ghent University Library (18 January)
- for Rietveld students (19 February)
- for Utrecht University students – Pekelder (2 March)
- for Rietveld students (4 March)
- for University of Amsterdam students (10 March)
- for students from Brighton (11 March)
- for Leiden University students (19 March)
- for incoming Leiden University students (1 April)
- for students from the Rijksacademie (16 April)
- for students from the Hogeschool InHolland, Alkmaar (12 May)
- for social studies students at the Hogeschool van Amsterdam (20 May)
- for Free University Amsterdam students (31 May)
- for ICHS Congress (26 August)
- for Archives without borders (1 September)
- for Gymnasium students from Germany (7 September)
- for journalism students (13 September)
- for Russian Kemerovo delegation (21 September)
- for the Nationaal Historisch Museum (29 September)
- for history students at the University of Amsterdam (4 October)
- for history students at the University of Amsterdam (5 October)
- for archivist students at Groningen University (21 October)
• for history students at Leiden University (4 November)
• for history students (12 November)
• for University of Amsterdam students (2 December)

Conferences, meetings, workshops

Friends’ afternoon Friends of the IISH (7 January, 24 June)
Meeting Board Friends of the IISH (7 January, 24 June)
Meeting Lichtspoor (7 January, 10, 25 February, 9, 25 March, 8, 24 April, 11, 27 May, 10, 22 June, 8 July, 16 September, 14 October, 21 October, 11 November, 9 December)
Meeting Content Mashup Project (21 January)
Academic Advisory Board Meeting (22, 23 January)
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Workshop on journalism, Press Museum (27 January, 9, 10, 12 March, 1 June, 14 October, 3 November, 7 December)
Meeting Board Aksant Publishers (26 January, 19 February, 11 March)
Meeting Board UNESCO (26 January, 7, 26 April, 27 September)
Workshop on photo journalism, Press Museum (27 January, 10 March, 9 April, 14 October, 14 December)
Workshop on drawing cartoons / photo journalism, Press Museum (27 January, 12, 16 March, 9, 16, 27 April, 1, 9 June, 14 October)
Workshop KNAW (4 February)
Meeting Friends of the Press Museum Foundation (5 February)
Steering Group Meeting HSN (8 February)
Meeting Eurocloio (8 February)
Meeting Editorial Staff IRSH (8 February, 3 June, 4 October)
Meeting links (8 February, 26 March, 8 April, 11 May, 23 June, 11 November, 26 November)
Expo-vergadering Press Museum (9 February)
Meeting Board IISH Foundation (10 February, 23 March)
Meeting Board Press Museum (11 February, 13 April, 16 September)
Workshop on journalism, Press Museum (17 February)
Selection Drawings Exposition Press Museum (18 February, 15 April, 8 December, 9 December)
Meeting Freedom of Press Day, Press Museum (24 February)
Meeting HiTiMe (2 March)
Town Council Elections (3 March)
Meeting with Designers of the Exhibition (4 March, 14 April, 11 May, 19 May, 13, 23 September)
Opening exhibition Politiek in Prent 2009 & Distribution Junior Inktspotprijs, Press Museum (11 March)
Lecture Wiardi Beckman Foundation (12 March)
Lecture Migratie en Arbeid (12 March)
Meeting Centrale Pilot (18 March)
Lecture Dennis Bos (19 March)
Site-visit Clio-Infra (22 March)
Workshop Fighting for a Living (23 March)
Drawing Selection Muller, Press Museum (23 March)
CGM afternoon (23 March)
Meeting Board CISH (24 March, 3 August, 29 October)
Meeting catch (26 March)
Metamorfoze Karmac PM/IISH (26 March)
Lecture first years’ students, Leiden University (1 April)
Interview Laan Press Museum (13 April)
Workshop Censorship Press Museum (16 April)
NW-Posthumus PhD-seminar ‘Work in Progress’ (22 April)
Meeting VHV (24 April)
Interview by Spanish camera team (19 May)
Meeting Doevejaar, Press Museum (19 May)
Opening Sigmund Exhibition, Press Museum (20 May)
Interview Zonderop Press Museum (25 May)
Meeting HiTiMe Advisory Board (5 June)
Workshop Interactive Design Website (7 June)
Elections Second Chamber (9 June)
NEHA Board Meeting (11 June)
NEHA Studiemiddag (11 June)
Workshop Anti-commodities (17, 18, 19 June)
Meeting Inhabitants Pakhuis Zondag (5 June, 8 December)
Filming Rebels with a Cause (28 June, 23, 30 July, 27 Sept, 8 October)
Bijeenkomst Curatorium NEHA (2 July)
Meetings Conference ICHS AIO Demografie (23, 24 August)
Visit Press Museum (25 August)
IALHI 2010 (1, 2, 3 September)
Workshop HOPE BPN (1 September)
Meeting Collaboration Press Museum / Leiden University (7 September)
Jury Meeting Volkskrant-IISG scriptieprijs (8 September, 2 November)
Meeting Alfab (9, 16 September)
Meeting Europe4ME, Press Museum (16 September)
Interview by BBC World Service (17 September)
HiTiMe advisory board en student meeting Project (17 September)
HiTiMe Interactive Workshop project (17 September)
Opening Multatuli Exposition IISG (21 September)
Meeting Radar Advies (23 September)
Workshop European Migrant Organisations (23, 24 September)
Visit VU Language Center, Press Museum (24 September)
Opening grid Fotografie Biennale in Press Museum (25 September)
Meeting Nationaal Historisch Museum (29 September)
Interview Elsbeth Etty by Omroep Max (4 October)
Meeting Pers&Politie, Press Museum (6 October)
Opening Dolf Toussaint Exhibition, Press Museum (7 October)
Presentation Jaarboek Kritiek 2010 Aksant (8 October)
Education VU Students (12 October)
Meeting IKV Pax Christi and Erik-Jan Zürcher (14 October)
Annual Meeting Multatuligenootschap Aksant, Press Museum (30 October)
Maddison Memorial Conference (5, 6, 7 November)
Workshop People, Plants & Work (11, 12, 16 November)
Open Planets Hackathon (15, 16, 17 November)
Meeting UCEE/PM (16 November)
Dimensions of Socialism (18 November)
Master Classes IISH at 75 (22, 23, 24, 25, 26 November)
Catch Conference (26 November)
Workshop Iranian Oil Industry (3 December)
Board Meeting s@p (7 December)
Opening Julia Winter Exhibition, Press Museum (9 December)
Expertmeeting Research (10 December)
Exhibitions

Gebouw Bijzondere Collecties, Amsterdam
Rebels with a Cause. The IISH at 75
29 October 2010 - 30 January 2011

Beurs van Berlage, Amsterdam
ReclameKlassiekers
18 December 2010 - 27 February 2011

Stadsarchief Amsterdam
Pers & Politie in Amsterdam
19 November 2010 - 27 February 2011

Museum voor Communicatie, The Hague
De kiezer verleid? Verkiezingsaffiches nl/de
27 April - 6 March 2011

Museum Boerhaave, Leiden
Say cheese! De kracht van de mond
8 October 2010 - 3 April 2011

Tropenmuseum
Rood. Een visueel spektakel rond rood in alle culturen
5 November 2010 - 8 May 2011

Diamant Museum, Amsterdam
In the permanent exhibition
April 2006 - April 2011

Historisch Centrum Leeuwarden
Historische presentatie Leeuwarden
October 2007 - October 2011

Letterenhuis, Antwerpen
Dicht bij Elsschot
30 May - 31 December 2010

Palacio Montemuzo, Zaragoza
Tierra y libertad, 100 años de anarquismo
6 October - 28 November 2010

LWL Industriemuseum-Zentrale, Dortmund
Helden. Von der Sehnsucht nach dem Besonderen
12 March 2010 - 31 October 2010

Frans Hals Museum, Haarlem
Weerzien met Bomans
19 June - 5 September 2010

MAK, Zürich
Otto Neurath. Gypsy Urbanism
10 March - 5 September 2010

MoMu Mode museum Provincie Antwerpen
Zwart. Meesterlijk Zwart in Mode & Kostuum
24 March - 8 August 2010

Kröller-Müller Museum, Otterloo
Alles of niets - Rob van ’t Hoff, Architect van een nieuwe samenleving
1 April - 29 August 2010

Graphic Design Museum Beyerd, Breda
In the permanent exhibition
25 January - 26 July 2010

Gebouw Bacinol 2, Delft
De Groep van Delft
7 June - 4 July 2010

Jewish Historical Museum, Amsterdam
In the permanent exhibition
June 2006 - June 2010
Burcht Evenburg, Leer
Sicco Mansholt
16 April - 16 June 2010

nva, Glasgow Provo White Bike Plan
15 April - 3 May 2010

Boymans van Beuningen, Rotterdam
Proeven is koopen. Jac. Jongert 1883 - 1942
19 December 2009 - 19 April 2010

Kunsthal, Rotterdam
Made in Holland
5 December 2009 - 2 April 2010

Universiteit van Amsterdam/ Ateliergebouw
Opleiding Restauratiekunde
15 September 2009 - 15 March 2010

Théâtre National, Brussels
Europalia.China - International Arts Festival
Propaganda Posters: Art and Revolution
7 November 2009 - 14 February 2010

Graphic Design Museum De Beyerd, Breda
100 years of Dutch Graphic Design
26 October 2009 - 25 January 2010

Nationaal Jenevermuseum, Hasselt
Magnifique. Hasseltse keramiek spreekt
20 September 2009 - 3 January 2010

Nederlands Fotomuseum, Rotterdam
This is War! Robert Capa at Work & Gerda Taro
10 October 2009 - 3 January 2010

Abbreviations

AHF
Algemeen Hollands Fotopersbureau (General Dutch Press Photograph Agency)

AIC
All Island Commission

AUP
Amsterdam University Press

CATCH
Continuous Access to Cultural Heritage

CEDLA
Centre for Latin American Research and Documentation

CZC
Central Zone Commission

DANS
Data Archiving and Networked Services

ESSHC
European Social Science History Conference

FIDOC
Filippijnen Informatie- en Documentatie-Centrum

GDR
German Democratic Republic

GGB
Vereniging Gemeenschappelijk Grondbezit
(Association of Communal Land Ownership)

HiTiMe
Historical Timeline Mining and Extraction

HOPE
History of the People’s Europe

IALHI
International Association of Labour History Institutions

ICHS
International Congress of Historical Sciences

IREWOC
International Research on the Exploitation of Working Children
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<td>Koninklijke Nederlandse Akademie van Wetenschappen (Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences)</td>
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<td>LINKS</td>
<td>Linking System for Historical family Reconstruction</td>
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<td>Marx-Engels Gesamtausgabe</td>
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<td>Nederlandsch Economisch Historisch Archief (Netherlands Economic History Archive)</td>
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<td>Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study in the Humanities and Social Sciences</td>
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<td>Instituut voor oorlogs- holocaust en genocidestudies (NIOD Institute for War, Holocaust and Genocide Studies)</td>
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<td>Nederlandse Organisatie voor Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek (The Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research)</td>
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<td>Sociaal Democratische Arbeiders Partij (Social Democratic Labour Party)</td>
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<td>Toekomstige Organisatie Collectievorming en Onderzoek (Future Organization of the Collection Development and Research)</td>
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History and Activities

The International Institute of Social History (IISH) was officially established on November 25, 1935, but has precedents dating back to the 1920s. In 1914, Nicolaas W. Posthumus (1880-1960), who was among the pioneers of modern economic history in the Netherlands, set up the Netherlands Economic History Archive (NEHA), the first of a series of scholarly institutions he initiated. The NEHA was dedicated to preserving archives of companies and related organizations and on collecting other sources relevant to economic history. Since Posthumus took a very broad approach to collecting, he included materials from individuals and organizations in the Dutch labour movement.

Early years
At the beginning of the 1930s two independent developments led to the establishment of a separate institute. First, the rapidly expanding social historical collections present at the NEHA required separate treatment. Second, the political situation in Central and Eastern Europe was quickly deteriorating. Hitler’s seizure of power and developments in the Soviet Union threatened people of all convictions within the labour movement, as well as their collections. Posthumus was determined to save their papers, which he was certain would be destroyed if they fell into the wrong hands, or in the most favourable case would become inaccessible to independent researchers for many years.

He envisaged an independent, neutral, scholarly institution and was fortunate to meet Nehemia de Lieme, director of De Centrale, an insurance company with close ties to the Social Democratic movement. The company’s statutes required that a share of its profits be donated to cultural aims of the labour movement. De Lieme became convinced of the importance of Posthumus’ initiative, and De Centrale gave the Institute extraordinary support in the years preceding 1940.

In the period 1935-40, saving material from all over Europe was the main focus. The most important collection acquired in this period was the archival legacy of Marx and Engels. The Institute’s
extremely active first librarian, Annie Adama van Scheltema-Kleefstra, actually smuggled Bakunin’s manuscripts (part of the famous Nettlau collection) out of Austria, just before Nazi troops marched into Vienna. Libraries and archives of Mensheviks and Social Revolutionaries who had fled Russia were brought to Amsterdam as well. Although the major acquisitions are too numerous for a comprehensive list in this report, the records of the CNT and the FAI are noteworthy: just weeks before Franco took the final Republican areas in Northern Spain in May 1939, they were brought to safety across the Pyrenees. The serious risks faced by the archives that the Institute tried to collect became apparent when its Paris branch was broken into in November 1936. Documents of Trotsky were stolen, most probably by agents of Stalin’s secret service.

Posthumus’ foresight had led him to set up a subsidiary of the IISH in Britain. The most valuable archives were taken to safety there, when, following the Munich Agreement, the Institute’s Board became convinced that the threat of war would not stop at neutral Holland’s borders. And Posthumus proved right, when only days after Nazi troops occupied the country in May 1940, Nazi officials appeared on the Institute’s doorstep. On 15 July, the IISH was closed by order of the Sicherheitsdienst. Staff was sent home, and the Einsatzstab Rosenberg moved in.

**War and recovery**

Although many materials had been taken to safety, the library alone still contained around 300,000 titles. Several very important Dutch records were also still located in the Institute, including many from the SDAP (the Social Democratic Labour Party). German bureaucracy was divided on the collection’s fate. Over time, parts were shipped to Germany, to be used for a variety of purposes. In September 1944, the remainder was removed and shipped eastward on board 12 Rhine barges.

Most was found only in 1946 near Hannover in the British Zone of Germany. Other documents were returned thanks to the efforts of the US Army’s Offenbach Archival Depot. Material located in the Soviet Zone of Europe was returned with less alacrity or not at all. The SDAP records were sent back from Poland in 1956-57. In 1991,
following the abortive coup in Moscow, other IISH materials proved to have been preserved for years in a top-secret archival institution in the Soviet capital. All in all, however, wartime losses turned out to be minimal.

It took a decade for the Institute to resume normal operations. When the damage was surveyed after 5 May 1945, literally everything turned out to have been removed: there was no catalogue, no furniture, no filing cabinets etc. During the 1950s, IISH worked to re-establish order in the archive and library. Finances were cause for concern, since De Centrale was no longer able to subsidize the Institute’s work as it had before the war. With assistance from the University of Amsterdam, the City of Amsterdam, and monies received from the Wiedergutmachung fund and the Ford Foundation, the Institute gradually began to recover.

**Recent developments**

In the 1960s and 70s, the Institute benefited from the growing interest in the history of social movements and ideas. It resumed its traditional task of rescuing the archives and libraries of persecuted people and organizations. This is how Amsterdam became home to material from Latin America in the 1970s. Similarly, in the late 1980s, action was taken to provide a safe haven for the documents of Turkish parties, trade unions, and individuals. Another example concerns the Chinese democratic movement of 1989, of which documents were collected by participants in the events in Beijing, with on-site assistance from IISH staff.

Since 1979, the Institute has figured within the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW). New accommodations were found in 1989 for the ever-growing collection and increasing staff in a former cocoa warehouse in Amsterdam’s Eastern Docks redevelopment area. Here, the Institute was physically reunited with the neha. The Netherlands Press Museum, an independent organization, also moved in. The IISH online catalogue provides integrated access to the collections of all three institutions.

Today virtual users outnumber those in the Reading Room by about 725 to 1. The online catalogue and other search aids are accessible
from a website, as well as through the OCLC’s WorldCat. Other electronic facilities include web guides, current bibliographies, discussion lists, and a news service. At the same time, though an essential part of the Institute’s activities from the start, research has become increasingly important. Perhaps its best-known products are the International Review of Social History, published by Cambridge University Press, and the European Social Science History Conference, a biannual event that brings researchers from dozens of countries and many disciplines to the Netherlands.

Although many of the 19th-century West-European collections were complemented through extensive microfilming in Moscow after 1991, the focus of collection development has shifted away from Europe and towards the Middle East and South and South-East Asia. As a result, the Institute regularly undertakes oral history projects to supplement the often meagre written resources found on-site. In addition, the Institute’s Historical Sample of the Netherlands is a meta-source composed of local birth, death, and marriage registers from 1812 to 1922. Postings to selected Internet news groups, some dating back as far as 1990, are archived daily. Offices and correspondents in Moscow, Berlin, Ankara, Karachi, Dhaka, Bangkok, Baku, Teheran and Semarang support these new efforts to safeguard an international cultural heritage, which, all too often, is still in danger of disappearing.

Friends of the International Institute of Social History

For 75 years the IISH has been indispensable to both the movements and the researchers in social history. From the outset funding has come from three main sources. At the very beginning, the foundation Stichting IISG was established to manage the collections. The choice of a private-law structure emphasized the political independence of the Institute, and consequently the diversity of the sources collected. This type of funding was private: without the insurance company De Centrale, the IISH would not have existed and could never have performed its chief rescue operations. The government – first the municipal authorities, then
the national ones – also appreciated the initiative’s importance. Today, the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW) covers most of the Institute’s operating costs. The Stichting IISG also receives a grant from the National Library of the Netherlands for collection development. Project funding is the third source of income; it is dedicated to specific tasks, chiefly research projects.

Over time, the balance between these sources has shifted considerably. Initially the budget consisted primarily of private funding, later, of government subsidies, and today, increasingly of project grants. By 2009 structural funding from the KNAW was less than 60 per cent of the total. While the change is attributable in part to the Institute’s success in fundraising, it results more from the universal reduction of government involvement. Structural funding has dwindled substantially in real terms, thus affecting the work that distinguishes the IISH from nearly all comparable institutions. Yet remaining active in this field requires a permanent financial base.

By 1999 the need to revive private initiative led to the establishment of the organization The Friends of the IISH. Close to a hundred permanent Friends from the Netherlands and abroad now provide annual contributions of 100 or 500 euros. A few Dutch and foreign Friends have generously donated much more, up to half a million euros. Other Friends have mentioned the Institute in their will.

In this way, the Friends have paid for two large research projects – on women’s work in the early-modern Netherlands and ‘Work, Income, and the State in Russia and the Soviet Union’ – made possible the purchase of valuable documents, from Chinese posters to Afghan newspapers, facilitated oral history projects, and funded cataloguing of voluminous archival collections.

Yet one can never have too many friends. We would like to invite readers to join. The IISH is seeking not just material input. In addition to financial contributions, personal interest is vital for the Institute to be seen and heard. We organize meetings for Friends once every six months to present new accessions, to explain the reasons for acquiring them, perhaps to confer the experiences in the process, and to exchange ideas. Donors unable to attend will

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- A newsletter in English, distributed among the Friends following each gathering.
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