



3rd Historic Mortars Conference

## 1<sup>st</sup> Announcement

Location Glasgow, Scotland, at the Mitchell Library,  
Dates Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2013  
with optional excursions on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September.

The University of the West of Scotland is pleased to announce the 3<sup>rd</sup> Historic Mortars Conference, HMC13, will be held in Glasgow, at the historic Mitchell Library.

The previous events in Lisbon (2008) and Prague (2010) were highly successful, attracting nearly 200 participants and almost 150 papers each with accompanying oral and poster presentations. The events provide a forum for exchange and dialogue between those with diverse interests in the understanding of historic mortars and masonry, building conservation and Archaeometry.

### Themes

Contributions and expressions of interest are invited on any aspect of the understanding of historic mortars and historic masonry, from the compositional to the mechanical, from the applied to the theoretical and philosophical, and from archaeology to building conservation. We will be happy to consider suggestions for subject specific sessions.

We are particularly interested in:

- exploring and strengthening the link between real world, practical applications and research, both applied and fundamental
- how changing understanding of materiality affects philosophies of conservation and practical interventions

- understanding new materials and applications, particularly those emanating from industry to assess the private sector role in conservation
- new advanced characterisation techniques

...in addition to characterisation, the experimental and in-situ assessment of mortars and masonry and the development of mortars, renders and grouts for repair.

In the pursuit of the link with the practical and applied, we have developed a co-publicising relationship with the Building Limes Forum Ireland, who will host the BLF annual meeting in Dublin in September 2013, in order to encourage cross attendance at both events.

Send an abstract or/and an expression of interest in attending or organising a session to John Hughes at [john.hughes@uws.ac.uk](mailto:john.hughes@uws.ac.uk) in the first instance by the 1<sup>st</sup> of October 2012.

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A web site will be set up soon....

### Links

The Mitchell Library: [www.glasgow.gov.uk/en/residents/library\\_services/the\\_mitchell/](http://www.glasgow.gov.uk/en/residents/library_services/the_mitchell/)  
The City of Glasgow: [www.seeglasgow.com/](http://www.seeglasgow.com/)  
University of the West of Scotland: [www.uws.ac.uk](http://www.uws.ac.uk)  
HMC08 in Lisbon: <http://hmc08.lnec.pt/english/index.html>  
HMC10 in Prague: <http://www.itam.cas.cz/HMC2010/>  
HMC10 proceedings are available at:  
[http://www.rilem.net/gene/main.php?base=500218&id\\_publication=82](http://www.rilem.net/gene/main.php?base=500218&id_publication=82)  
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