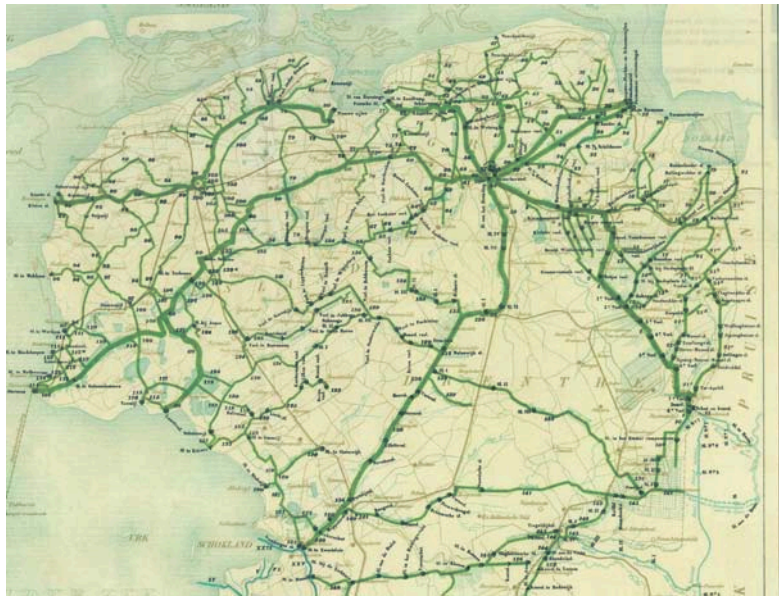




*Waterways, ways of value*



**Call for papers**

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## **Introduction**

The World Canals Conference is an international platform where governmental, technical, and tourist organizations that are interested in developments concerning inland waterways assemble annually. Speakers and delegations from around the world come together to present their activities and to share information and experiences.

The 2009 conference took place in Serbia, in 2010 in Rochester (USA) and the 2012 venue will be Yangzou (China). For 2011, the Northern Netherlands were chosen as the location. The WCC is part of IWI (Inland Waterways International), an organization that stimulates the preservation, use, development, and durable management of waterways. It focuses primarily on the inland navigation, recreational boating, the use of towpaths, restoration of canals and objects of art, etc.

## **Congress format**

The congress will welcome posters and papers and include presentations by selected keynote speakers. The congress will welcome proposals for special sessions or symposia from organisations or interest groups.

Field trips form an integral part of the congress.

## **Language**

The congress language will be English. No translation facilities will be provided.

## **Congress venue**

Martini Plaza, Groningen

The city of Groningen offers a wide range of hotels and boarding houses. The Groningen Congress Bureau will assist the participants in finding the right sort of accommodation.

## **Themes:**

The congress is divided into five main themes or tracks. These are:

- 1 Economy: transport and tourism
- 2 Ecology: watermanagement and nature conservation
- 3 Heritage: protection, restauration and redevelopment
- 4 Planning: revitalization of inland waterfronts
- 5 Technology: infrastructure and waterquality

You are invited to make a proposal for an oral or poster presentation in an abstract of no more than 400 words which contains the following information:

- Name:
- Adress:
- Email:
- Title of contribution:
- Abstract:
- Biography

Deadline for abstracts: 31 march 2011.

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