

Program Courants - Autumn 2012

International Conference for Archival Management

The place of archives and the role of archivists in today's and tomorrow's societies

Dates: November 12-16, 2012 - Paris

Operator: Directorate General for Heritage (DGP)
Department of scientific and technical education (DFST)

Context: Archive managers are facing multiple and complex issues in a constantly changing administrative, legal, and technological environment. The issues being raised involve the entire archival management community: professionalization and changes in the archiving profession, professional training, mastery of legal and technical tools which condition the production of information, conservation and processing, dissemination and use, knowledge of the national and international administrative environment, and the place of archivists in the information society.

To address these questions, the Directorate General for Heritage of the Ministry of Culture and Communication, Department of scientific and technical education, is modifying its program for hosting archiving professionals in 2012 and has established the Conférence Internationale Supérieure d'Archivistique (CISA - International Conference for Archival Management), replacing the collective seminar, included since 2001 in the Courants du Monde program.

Audience involved: The CISA is intended for managers of national, territorial and company archiving services, or those who have management and organizational functions, and also for experienced professional archivists who have a mastery of today's archive management procedures and techniques. These managers have positions that involve responsibility, service organization and archival policy orientation.

In 2012, this first edition of the CISA will host about 15 participants, archive managers from the member countries of the Council of Europe. It will be in French and in English, with simultaneous translation.

Objectives: The CISA offers participants a presentation of a central issue in contemporary archiving, in France and abroad, while promoting discussions based on everyone's experiences and practices. All participants are invited to report on their experience in the field involved. The seminar should allow them to then further develop their knowledge of the subject involved while adapting it to the realities of their own environments.

Contents: The CISA, carried out in partnership with the Inter-Ministerial Archive Service of France, will be held from November 12 to 16.

Its subject will be the place of archives and the role of archivists in today's and tomorrow's societies.

The topics covered will be the following:

- Traditional uses, new uses of archives, governance, democracy and human rights
- New social demands: what needs should be addressed?
- Policy of promotion and defense of archives with producers, public authorities and the general public
- Cultural and teaching initiatives, education of citizens in archives and their value in the public and private domains

- Uses of Internet and social networks in interaction with audiences on the national, European and international levels
- National and international strategies and partnerships in terms of cultural and pedagogical mediation (cultural and heritage institutions).

Pedagogical methods: The CISA is composed of presentations by French and foreign speakers, visits to archiving and heritage services, and practical workshops. Its interactive form favors the participation of the participants throughout the seminar, in the form of individual papers, discussions, and reports of working groups.

Procedures: Travel costs are at the expense of the applicant, his home institution, or his diplomatic service.

Sponsorship: Accommodations and meal expenses will be covered by the Ministry of Culture and Communication – General Secretariat – Department of European and international affairs and the Directorate General for Heritage.

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