

1st International Conference on the Agricultural and Food Heritage



The processing of natural products is humankind's oldest manufacturing activity; in particular, flour-making was the object of one of the most important technical advances when mills were invented.

With the coming of industrialisation, large amounts of food were needed to supply the people of a society who no longer had any relationship with the land. In just a few years, industries were set up to make food products on a large scale. Such industries were established all over the world and they have left some of the most important and extensive industrial heritage on a global scale.

The APIC (Association pour le Patrimoine Industriel de Champagne-Ardenne)—with its headquarters in the French region of Champagne, where one of the world's most-admired food products is produced—has worked with this segment of the heritage and has organised a number of meetings on the subject.

The APIC, in conjunction with TICCIH (The International Committee for the Conservation of the Industrial Heritage), proposes to organise the 1st International Conference on the Agricultural and Food Heritage, with the aim of constituting a section within the TICCIH, analysing the situation at the international level and determining which are the most important sites in existence today.

CONTENT

Themed sessions

- The heritage of grain (cereals): silos, flour-mills, bread-making, etc.
- The heritage of wine and alcohols: cellars, wine-presses, distilleries, etc.
- The heritage of sugar (cane and beet): mills, factories, etc.
- The dairy heritage: dairies, creameries, other products.
- The heritage of tropical drinks: tea, coffee, chocolate, etc.
- The heritage of food preservation: salterns and salteries, refrigeration, slaughterhouses, canning industries, etc.
- Others

Discussion sessions

- Analysis of the situation at an international level.
- Proposals to create a TICCIH list on agricultural and food heritage.
- Constitution of the Food Section of TICCIH.

Papers

Papers are to take account of the geographical area in which the manufacturing centre is located: landscape, crops grown, habitats connected with companies, cultural manifestations that developed there, etc.

Venue

The Conference will be held in the new premises of the Centre Régional de Documentation Pédagogique (CRDP) 17, bd Paix, 51100 Reims, France.
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Pre-registration

For pre-registration, send an e-mail to ticchih@gencat.net stating:

- Given name(s) and family name(s)
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- Contact telephone number
- Paper YES NO
- Title of paper

Full information about the conference will shortly be posted on the TICCIH Web-site, including definitive registration, cost and a list of hotels.