

ICCH9

9th International Congress
on Construction History

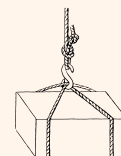
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Call for Thematic Sessions



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The open sessions will be organised around key themes, including major construction materials (stone, timber, iron, concrete, etc.), processes, and the roles of various actors (architects, engineers, contractors, public authorities, labourers, etc.). Since the 6ICCH in Bruxelles (2018), it has become a strong tradition to include a certain number of thematic sessions in the congress programme. These thematic sessions aim at bringing together researchers to discuss focal topics in a fruitful atmosphere of mutual exchange.

This call invites potential session chairs to propose thematic sessions that address specific topics and problems in the field of construction history. Young researchers are particularly encouraged to submit proposals. The aim of the thematic sessions is to emphasize cutting-edge issues, approaches, innovative methodologies, and recent developments in construction history research.

Proposals should include a title, a description of the topic (**max. 400 words**), a statement of relevance (**max. 200 words**), and an example of **3–5 potential presenters**. Please add a short CV listing the last steps of your career.

Thematic sessions can be chaired by one to three proponents and are limited to one per applicant. In the presence of a very high number of accepted papers, thematic sessions may be extended to “mini-symposia” (comprising two session slots and around 6–8 contributions) by the Organising Committee. The chairs of the thematic sessions have to be present during the ICCH9 and provide a short introduction to their session. They are responsible, in collaboration with the Scientific Committee, for selecting the abstracts and editing the papers submitted. For each session, 4 to 5 papers will be selected. No more than one paper from the session chair’s own research team is eligible for presentation in the thematic session. The Scientific Committee reserves the right to redirect papers to other sessions.

Proposals should be sent to chg@polito.it by **November 30th, 2025**.

Session chairs will be informed about the selection of their proposal by **January 15th, 2025**.



The Olivetti factory in Scarmagno, during construction (E. Vittoria, M. Zanuso, A. Migliasso, 1967-1971; original photograph: Balerna, Archivio del Moderno, Fondo Marco Zanuso)