2019 ICCP Meeting in the Hague, the Netherlands

71st meeting of the International Committee for Coal and Organic Petrology (ICCP)

September 15-21, The Hague, the Netherlands

Welcome note

The Netherlands has long been among the cradles of both organic petrology and the ICCP itself having hosted an ICCP meeting 5 times in the past, including the very first one held in Geleen, back in 1953. Heerlen, the very place where the Stopes-Heerlen system was established, Hoensbruck and Utrecht were the other locations, with the former hosting the meeting twice and the latter being the last location in the Netherlands to have an ICCP meeting, 16 years ago. It is therefore a great pleasure and big honor to have the Netherlands carry on this long tradition.

This year, the honor comes to the Hague (Den Haag), being both the World's Peace Capital and base to the Dutch Government. The meeting will be supported by Royal Dutch Shell one of the world's oil majors and will be followed by a one-day symposium. Despite the fact, that governments, organizations and companies have agreed and committed to significantly reduce their carbon footprint over the next decades it is still conventional "fossil" fuels that most of world's energy demand relies on. And the Netherlands is no exception to this trend. On top of the routine annual ICCP activities, the meeting will offer an excellent opportunity to professionals from both research and industry to exchange views into discussing ICCP's and organic petrology's role in the energy transition.



One year after the centennial anniversary from the publication of Marie Stopes' pioneering work "On the Four Visible Ingredients in Banded Bituminous Coal: Studies in the Composition of Coal" that set the foundations to what would later become the Stopes-Heerlen System, I warmly invite you to attend the 71st ICCP meeting in September.

Dr. George Siavalas

Chair of the organizing committee

Icebreaker

The meeting's kick off event will take place in Rootz (Grote Marktstraat 14, 2511 BJ), on Sunday, September 15. Gates open at 19:00.

Meeting Venue

Bleyenberg (Plenary and Commission sessions, Symposium)*



Bleyenberg,-the Meeting's venue

The venue is located in the Hague city centre, Grote Markt 10, 2511 BG, Den Haag. It is within 10 minutes walking distance from the Central Station and can be accessed through trams #2, 3, 4, 6 (stop: Grote Markt-1 minute walking distance).

*: Microscope sessions will be hosted in Shell Projects & Technology, Alaska Building, Lange Kleiweg 40, 2288 GK, Rijswijk



Map of the Hague showing locations of the Meeting's venue, Icebreaker and dinner

Conference Dinner

The conference dinner will take place in Madurodam, Thursday, September 19. Madurodam (<u>https://www.madurodam.nl/en/the-park</u>) is a park with miniature replicas of historic and modern buildings and locations from all over the Netherlands. Dinner starting time is 18:00 and guests will have the opportunity to "visit" most of the country's important buildings during a tour to the park's attractions until 19:00, which is the time that the park closes to the public. But that is when the fun begins for the dinner that will conclude the 71st ICCP meeting will start immediately after.

Instructions on how to get to the park will be given during the first days of the meeting.

Symposium

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The organizing and scientific committee of the 71st ICCP meeting invite all interested participants to submit abstracts of selected research activities for the **Symposium on Organic Petrology with special focus on Oil Generation from Coals and Carbonaceous Shales** that will follow the activities of the ICCP commissions on Friday 20th of September 2019. The Symposium will be structured in multiple sessions briefly shown below:

Time	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
nme	15-Sep	16-Sep	17-Sep	18-Sep	19-Sep	20-Sep	21-Sep
07:00-07:30							
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09:00-09:30	0	Opening session	Com. II-Identification of Dispersed OM WG (J. Kus)	Com.I-Xylite-rich Lithotype Classification WG (Y. Oikonomopoulos)	Com. III-Carbon Materials WG (G. Predeanu & I. Suárez-Ruiz)		
09:30-10:00			Com. II-Correction Function for Fluorescence Lamps (A.G. Borrego)	-Com. II-Coke Petrography WG (M. Wojitaszek)			
			Com. II-Dispersed Organic Matter in Sedimentary Rocks WG (J. Kus)		com. m-coke Periography wo (w. wojnaszek)	Symposium	
10:00-10:30			Com. II-Coal Bed Methane-CO2 Sequestration WG (L. Gurba)	Com.I-Distinguishing Features of Macerals WG (W. Pickel)	Com. III-Environmental Applications WG (G. Siavalas & S. Kalaitzidis)		
10:30-11:00			Com. II-Shale-gas Studies (L. Gurba)	Coffee break	Com.III-Complex Blends WG (A. Singh & J. Esterle)		
11:00-11:30		Coffee break	Coffee break	Com. I-Standardization WG (W. Pickel)	Coffee break	Coffee break	
11:30-12:00		ICCP General Assembly (A.G. Borrero & W. Pickel)		Com.I-New developments in 'Fossil' systems (C. Hilgers)	Com.III-Liquefaction Residues Classification WG (H. Gerschel)	Symposium	Field trip
11.50-12.00				Commission I Closing Remarks (S. Kalaitzidis & D. Zivotic)			
12:00-12:30 12:30-13:00			Commission II Closing Remarks (J Kus & G. Siavalas)	Lunch	Com.III-Coal Blend Accreditation Programme (I Suárez-Ruiz)	- Lunch	
13:00-13:30				Commission III-Opening Remarks (M. Misz-Kennan)	Commission III Closing Remarks (M. Misz-Kennan)		
13:30-14:00		Lunch		Com. III-Self Heating WG (J. Kus, M. Misz-Kennan, D. Flores)	Lunch		
14:00-14:30			Commission I Opening Remarks (S. Kalaitzidis & D. Zivotic)		Lunch	Symposium Fi	
14:30-15:00	ICCP Council Meeting		Com. I-Single Coal Accreditation Programme (K. Christanis)	Commisions I & II-Microscope Session Closin			
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15:00-15:30		Com. II-DOMVR Accreditation Programme (J.G. Mendonça-Filho)	Coffee break			Coffee break	
15:30-16:00			Com. I-Raman Spectroscopy WG (K. Lünsdorf)			Symposium	
16:00-16:30		Com. II-Identification of Thermal Maturity Relevant OM WG (P.Hackley)	Com. I-Sample Preparation Techniques (P. Crosdale)				
16:30-17:00		Com. II-Confocal Laser Scanning Microscopy WG (P.Hackley)	New Methodologies and Techniques in Organic Petrology WG (L. Gurba)				
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19:00-19:30			ICCP Council Meeting				
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20:00-20:30	Ice-breaker and				Conference Dinner		
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**: Symposium presentations programme will be available online after August 20. A detailed field trip itinerary will be distributed to the field trip participants

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Oral presentation sessions

<u>Symposium Main Theme</u>: Featuring organic petrology and geochemistry studies on the oil generation potential of coals and carbonaceous shales worldwide. Participants are encouraged to present their relevant work particularly on coals of the humic type.

<u>Other themes</u>: Featuring studies on other organic petrology and geochemistry topics not related to the Symposium's main theme, including among others, general organic petrology and coal geology and environmental and technological applications of organic petrology and geochemistry. A further subdivision into sessions will be decided closer to the meeting's dates, depending on the popularity of topics among the submitted abstracts.

Poster presentations

A poster demonstration and discussion session will be also organized in parallel with the oral presentations.

Authors are asked to prepare and submit abstracts using the **abstract submission template** and following the **guidelines** for abstract submission.

Please **submit your abstract** or send your questions before abstract submission to: Dr. George Siavalas at <u>georgios.siavalas@shell.com</u>

Abstract submission extended deadline June 30, 2019

NEW

Guidelines to presenters

Oral presentations:

Oral presentations should be kept to a maximum of 15 minutes followed by a 5-minute Q&A session. Presenters and chairs of sessions are expected to comply with this time-frame courtesy to the next presenter. No presentations outside of the Symposium's programme shall be allowed.

All presentations shall be given in the english language supported by slides also written in the english language. Title slide should include the title and contributors of the presentation as per the book of abstracts.

All slides shall be digitally displayed and the presentation files shall be in ppt (or pptx) or pdf format. Presentation files shall be delivered to the chair of each session prior to its start. There will be no available option for the display of hardcopy slides. Presenters are encouraged to test the display of their presentation in the Symposium's projector to ensure that all features are displayed as intended.

Poster presentations:

Poster preparation and printing is the authors' responsibility and shall be finalized prior to the meeting's start. There shall be no available option to print the poster at the site. Recommended paper size is A0 (841x1189 mm) but posters the size of A1 (594x841 mm) and B1 (707x1000 mm) are also acceptable.

All posters shall be written in the english language and shall have a title line indicating the title and contributors and their respective affiliation as per the book of abstracts. All figures and tables shall be self-explanatory and have a caption. A color display of figures is recommended.

Poster presentations shall be displayed at the designated location and during the time indicated in the meeting's programme. During that time authors are requested to stay near their posters to discuss with the audience. There will be no room available for posters that are not included in the book of abstracts.

A detailed programme will be announced closer to the Meeting's date and will be included in the book of abstracts handed to the participants upon registration.

Field Trip

A single-day field trip to South Limburg (Province in the south of Netherlands) on Saturday, September 21 will follow the ICCP meeting. Except for the Dutch "mountains" other field trip attractions include the Roman catacombs and a visit to the Mijnmuseum in Heerlen as starters before the main course of the day, the Steenkolenmijn is served.

Land of castles and fortresses, South Limburg also boasts a more than half-century long, coal-mining history. With the slogan "*There is no such word as can't*" the mines operated as late as 1974 and helped the region to become one of the more prosperous in the country. Little remains today from this not solong ago era and the Mijnmuseum and Steenkolenmijn are the best locations, where someone can take a glimpse of it.

A minimum number of 25 participants is required for the field trip to take place, so those who want to attend are kindly requested to register before July 31st or indicate their interest to participate by sending an e-mail to the organizer. A detailed field trip itinerary will be announced when the number of registered participants meets that requirement.



Map of the Netherlands showing location of the Steenkolenmijn in South Limburg

Registration

Registration is now open. Please register at <u>https://shellsmartmeetings.cvent.com/AnnualICCPMeeting</u> selecting one or more of the following options:

Registration fees (\$USD)

Early bird* full registration (Icebreaker, ICCP meeting, Symposium, Dinner and Field Trip): 530 \$USD

Early bird* full registration-No field trip (Icebreaker, ICCP meeting, Symposium, Dinner): 450 \$USD

Early bird* ICCP meeting and Symposium: 360 \$USD

Early bird* One-day (Symposium only): 100 \$USD

Student (ICCP meeting and Symposium): 170 \$USD

Icebreaker only: 40 \$USD

Dinner only: 100 \$USD

Field trip: 100 \$USD (until August 20)

*: An additional fee of 50 \$USD applies to late registration, made after July 31, 2019. Dinner and field trip fees remain unchanged after July 31. Payment options include credit card, wiretransfer or cash at the reception desk during the meeting. The cash payment option falls under the 'late registration' category and by default incurs the additional 50 \$USD fee regardless the timing of the online registration.

Accommodation

The Hague offers a number of accommodation options over a wide range of prices and amenities. Several hotels are located around the city centre within 5-10 minutes walking distance to the meeting venue. Alternative accommodation options can also be found in nearby cities and towns such as Delft, Leiden and Rotterdam, all within less than 30 min train-ride to the Hague city centre.

No special arrangements will be made on an individual basis and accommodation arrangements will be each delegate's responsibility. However, we will be happy to provide advice on accommodation options and If you seek such, please contact <u>georgios.siavalas@shell.com</u>.

Getting there and transportation options within the Netherlands

Schiphol Airport

Schiphol International Airport (AMS) is a major global transportation hub with direct flights to and from 196 European and 145 Intercontinental destinations. Nearly every capital and most major cities in Europe, Africa, America and Asia are connected to Schiphol airport with direct flights. There are also several daily flights to other major European airports such London Heathrow, Frankfurt, Paris and Madrid. Delegates from Australia and New Zealand can fly to Schiphol through one of the major SE Asia or Middle East hubs such as Singapore, Hong Kong, Kuala Lumpur and Dubai. More information on flights and destinations can be found on https://schiphol.nl.

By train

Schiphol International airport is connected to the Dutch railway network and a station is located within the airport (Schiphol Plaza) with 24 hr train service. Train connections to the Hague Central Station run every 15 min daily, between 07:00AM-00:00 hrs. Travel time is approximately 28 min with the Intercity trains and 50 min with the Sprinter trains. Arrivals between 00:00-07:00AM are better served through The Hague HS Station. One-way ticket price is 9.50 EUR. For further information on travel times and prices from Schiphol airport to The Hague and other cities consult the journeyplanner on https://www.ns.nl. Train is the recommended transport means since it is the safest, cheapest and fastest way of moving around in the Netherlands.

By taxi

Taxi fares in general are expensive in the Netherlands and the distance from Schiphol airport to the Hague city centre is 44 km. Therefore, it is not the recommended transport means to and from the airport. If however, some delegates still prefer a taxi, one can be found outside the airport's terminal. It is recommended to hire taxis from the designated taxi stands and not through strangers who offer taxi services just outside the airport's exit. It is also recommended to negotiate the trip fee in advance or book online before arrival.

By bus

Schiphol airport also offers numerous bus routes to and from the terminal. For more information on routes and prices visit <u>https://9292.nl</u>.

Other airports

Certain European cities may have better or cheaper connections to other Dutch international airports such as The Hague/Rotterdam and Eindhoven airports. The Hague/Rotterdam airport is located between The Hague and Rotterdam and from there delegates can travel to the Hague through a shuttle bus and a metro line (approximately 30 min). Eindhoven is also connected to the Hague through train (approximate travel time 2.5 hrs).

<u>Train</u>

The Netherlands railway is connected to the broader European railway network and major stations such as Rotterdam and Amsterdam have train connections to Brussels, Paris and recently London. Time travel and fees vary depending on train type and company. Delegates are advised to book their tickets online and check travel requirements for each country they are about to cross.

Cultural, entertainment and other information

Home to some 150 international organizations including the International Court of Justice and the International Criminal Court, and being also the base of the Dutch Government and home to King Willem-Alexander, the Hague is known as the global city of Peace and Justice. Testimony to that statement is Peace Palace (Vredespaleis), the so-called temple of peace and justice itself, hosting the global peace flame and the International Criminal Court and Permanent Court of Arbitration.

For early arrivals and late departures Peace Palace is open to the public for guided tours on Sundays. More information can be found at <u>https://www.vredespaleis.nl/?lang=en</u>.

<u>Museums</u>

The Hague is also home to a number of important museums including:

The Mauritshuis Royal Picture Gallery. A world-class museum hosting paints from the Dutch masters of the Golden Age, including among them Johannes Vermeer, Jan Steen, Anthonie van Dyck, Willem van de Velde, Frans Hals, Peter Paul Rubens and Rembrandt van Rijn. Masterpieces such as the *Girl with a Pearl Earring* by J. Vermeer and *The Anatomy Lesson of Dr Nicolaes Tulp* by Rembrandt are parts of the museum's collection. https://www.mauritshuis.nl/en/

The Hague Historical Museum. https://www.haagshistorischmuseum.nl/about-the-museum

Gemeentemuseum Den Haag. https://www.gemeentemuseum.nl/en

Escher in het Paleis. https://www.escherinhetpaleis.nl/?lang=en

<u>Events</u>

Several events occur in the Hague during September with Prinsjesdag (Prince's Day) being the most important among them. That day, Tuesday, September 17 is the start of the new parliamentary year and

King Willem-Alexander will address to the public the plans for the year. Below a calendar of events occurring during the meeting's week:

Saturday, September 14-Holland Historical Festival

Sunday, September 15-Holland Historical Festival, Heritage Days

Tuesday, September 17-Prince's Day

Thursday, September 19-Antique and Book market, TodaysArt Festival

Friday, September 20-Masterly the Hague

Dining and entertainment

The Hague offers a wide range of culinary options from all of the world's most important cuisines. Countless restaurants, bistro, cafe and pubs can be found in the paved streets around the city centre and adjacent neighborhoods.

Train transportation to the other three major Dutch cities (Amsterdam-45 min, Rotterdam-20 min and Utrecht-45 min) is constant and fast offering alternative dining and entertainment options. The beautiful student towns of Delft and Leiden are also within an evening's reach (15 min train ride).

Visa Requirements

The Netherlands is part of the Schengen Area. Foreign nationals from certain countries might need a shortterm visa to visit the Netherlands. For more information on visa types, a list of countries whose nationals need a visa to the Netherlands and visa application process visit <u>https://www.netherlandsandyou.nl/travel-and-residence/visas-for-the-netherlands/short-stay-</u> <u>schengen-visa</u>.

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