THE ROMAN FRONTIER ALONG THE RIVER RHINE
THE ROLE OF MUSEUMS IN REVITALIZING CULTURAL LANDSCAPES

A multidisciplinary session at the ICOM General Conference in Milan
Wednesday 6 July, from 13.15-16.15- Amber Hall 5, South Wing (level + 2)
(Lunchboxes are available at the entrance of the room)

The Roman Frontiers in the UK (Hadrian's Wall; Antonine Wall) as well as sections of the German Limes have been ascribed as parts of the transnational serial World Heritage Site (WHS) "Frontiers of the Roman Empire". For the Frontier along the River Rhine, the Dutch Government has decided for a WHS candidacy in cooperation with Nordrhein-Westfalen and Rheinland-Pfalz in Germany. Many initiatives and solutions were created to enhance the visibility of the Limes, which is mostly invisible, underground, and partly formed by the (former flow of the) Rhine. What is the role of museums in these challenges?

A varied group of speakers will be lined up in this session, which is of interest to a wide range of museum professionals. The following experts will talk about museums and cultural landscapes, visitor engagement, tourism, cooperation, governmental responsibility and developing areas: David Breeze (UK), archaeologist and scholar of Roman frontiers; Erik Graafstal (NL), archaeologist Castellum Hoge Woerd, Utrecht; Christof Flügel (GE), archaeologist and Bavarian Department for Museums, Martin Müller (GE), archaeologist and director of the LVR-Archaeological Park Xanten; Frederike van Ouwerkerk (NL), tourism expert; Tamar Leene (NL), Programme-manager World Heritage Site nomination/Province of Utrecht, Thomas Otten (GE), Programme-manager World Heritage Site nomination/ Province of NordRhein Westfalen and Jurn Buisman (NL), secretary of ICOMOS NL.

The session will be moderated by ICOM NL board members Astrid Hertog (NL), museologist and director of the foundation Roman Limes NL and Renger de Bruin, historian and curator City Museum Utrecht.

As a result of the session, an e-publication will be produced and published on the ICOM ISSUU platform in the beginning of 2017.

Are you interested? Join our session and take your colleagues with you. For further information about the upcoming e-publication please send your emailaddress to: milano2016@icomnederland.nl and we keep you posted.

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