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## NEWS

## EHRI DECLARATION

The European Holocaust Research Infrastructure, EHRI, has released a statement condemning Russia's invasion of Ukraine and expresses concern for local populations and the future of research and archives in the country.

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## FOCUS ON THE COLLECTIONS



## CEGESOMA'S SCIENTIFIC JOURNALS

A small overview of our impressive collection of scientific journals that are available in the reading room ... or online in the case of some.

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## ON THE CEGESOMA AGENDA

## PUBLIC HISTORY MEETING

Join us on 20 April for a conference-debate on German prisoners of war in Belgium after the Second World War. Our guest, Pierre Muller, will be interviewed by Alain Colignon and will discuss the case of the Erbisoeul camp where more than 50,000 German POWs were held.

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## STUDY DAY ON THE RESISTANCE

On 25 April, the new issue of the Journal of Belgian History (JBH), which is devoted to the Resistance, will be launched. The results of the UCL-UAntwerpen inter-university workshop, which focused on the Resistance at the local level, will also be presented.



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## SAVE THE DATES

On 5 and 6 May, the CegeSoma is organising two days dedicated to the research of talented young historians who have recently graduated. Save these two dates in your diary so you can come and listen to them discuss the results of their theses on the two world wars and the Cold War!

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## THE NEW JOURNAL OF BELGIAN HISTORY TURNS 10

On 9 May, a study day will be held to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the 'new' JBH. A panel of guest historians will discuss national history and historiography from a variety of perspectives and consider the future of the journal in an evolving publishing landscape.

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## 'THE COLD WAR AND BELGIUM' CONFERENCE

On 17 June, 75 years after the US President Harry S. Truman laid down his eponymous doctrine aimed at containing Soviet expansion, the CegeSoma invites you to explore the Belgian dimensions of the Cold War with historians who are specialists in the field.

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## SAVE THE DATES

From 23 to 25 June, the CegeSoma and the *Laboratoire de recherches historiques (LaRHis)/UCLouvain* are organising an international conference entitled "The Great(er) War of Military Occupations in Europe. Antecedents, experiences and legacies" at CegeSoma. Note it in your diaries...

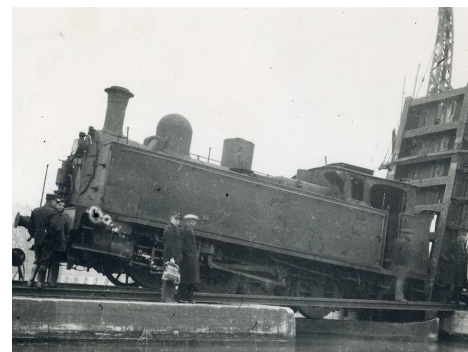
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## ON THE EXTERNAL AGENDA

### TRAINS AND THE HOLOCAUST

A study day (in English) on the roles played by trains in the deportation of Jews and Roma from Mechelen will be held on 26 April at *Kazerne Dossin*. Organisers: Europalia, Auschwitz Foundation and *Kazerne Dossin*.

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DAG VAN DE NIEUWSTE  
GESCHIEDENIS



## CEGESOMA TAG DER ZEITGESCHICHTE

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Publieks- en lokale geschiedenis  
in België: stand van zaken,  
uitdagingen en perspectieven  
Public History in Belgium:  
Ergebnisse, Herausforderungen  
und Perspektiven



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## CONTEMPORARY HISTORY DAY

A study day on public, regional and local history in Belgium, will be held in Eupen on 20 May. It will be an opportunity to review ongoing research and share the results of the latest initiatives aimed at bringing history to life beyond the walls of the universities.

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## JOB OFFERS

### THE STATE ARCHIVES (CEGESOMA) IS CURRENTLY RECRUITING

An researcher (m/f/x) for the following projects: 'BRAIN/POSTWAREX (final phase) on military justice and capital executions of collaborators after the Second World War in Belgium (1944-1950)' and 'Inquiry into the role of the SNCB in the deportation of Jews and Gypsies, political prisoners and forced labourers'.

An historian (archivist) (m/f/x) for the project 'Resistance in Flanders'.

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## Statement | EHRI Condemns Russia's Invasion of Ukraine



**Monday, 28 February, 2022**

**[The European Holocaust Research Infrastructure \(EHRI\)](#)** strongly condemns the recent invasion of Ukraine by Russia, and is gravely concerned about its impact on civilians, not to mention other living beings and the land. As a research infrastructure devoted to the study of genocide and war, we are shocked that an unprovoked and inexcusable attack on a sovereign country is possible in Europe in the 21st century. If only because of our own research, we are sensitive to the death toll, violence and trauma brought about by this war.

EHRI is both a digital infrastructure and a transnational human network of experts. In view of the danger to Ukraine's Holocaust researchers and their families, we strongly encourage them to let us know about their current situation and needs, no matter if they are in Ukraine or if they seek refuge abroad. We at EHRI will share this information within our professional network and will mediate contacts and offers of aid.

During the Second World War, more than one million Jews were murdered on the territory of Ukraine in mass shootings, in ghettos and concentration camps or through slave labour. Free research about Ukraine is essential for advancing humanity's knowledge about the persecution and genocide of Jews, Roma and other groups, and EHRI is privileged to have the [Center for Urban History of East Central Europe](#) in Lviv as its partner.

Our concern about the future of Holocaust research in Ukraine is increased by the blatant lies of Russian state propaganda about the alleged need to "denazify" Ukraine. We strongly reject the cynical use of this vocabulary for the purpose of occupying another country and preventing its free development as a democracy.

### **Project Management Board, European Holocaust Research Infrastructure**

*EHRI is a consortium of 27 partner institutions active in the fields of Holocaust research and documentation from across Europe, Israel and the United States. EHRI's mission is to overcome the traditional fragmentation of Holocaust sources and expertise by connecting people and collections in a transnational research infrastructure.*



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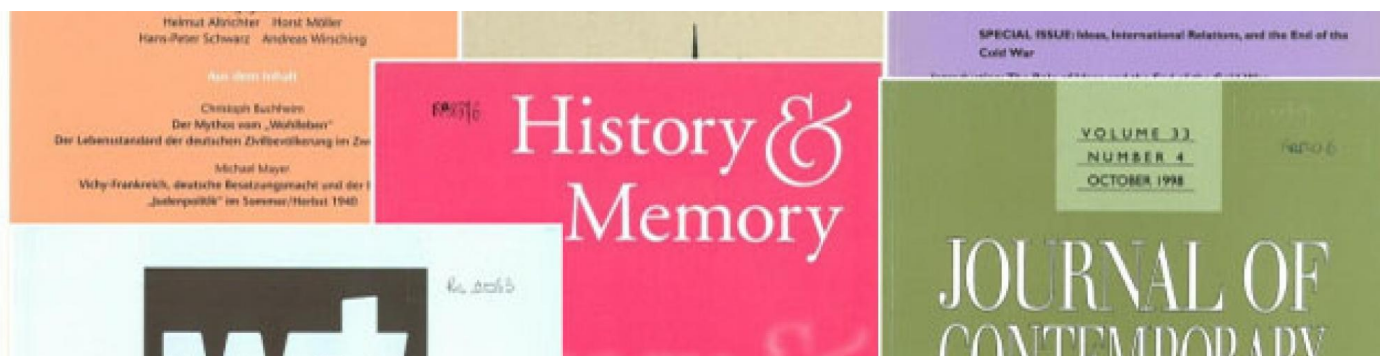
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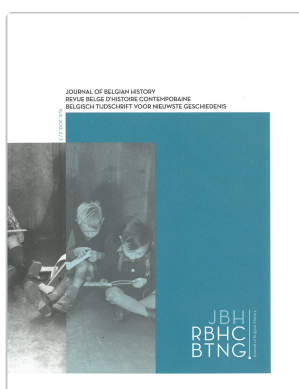
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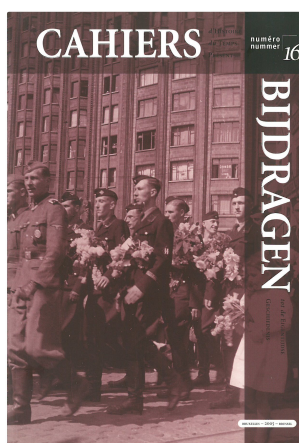
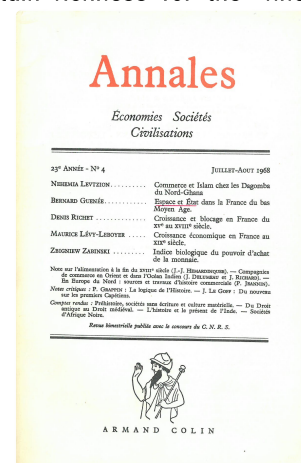
## The scientific journals of CegeSoma: a mine for the history of the world wars!

We already had the pleasure of offering to those who do us the honor of reading a small overview of the Center's collections of informational or militant periodicals concerning roughly the period 1930-1950.

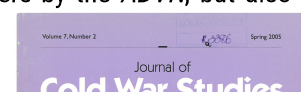
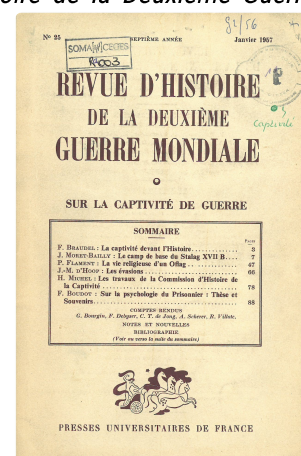


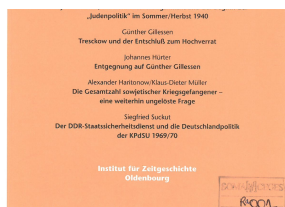
Is it necessary to specify this? This collection, of a certain richness for the "fine" approach of this time period, would be somewhat orphaned, conceptually speaking, if it had not been completed by an equally important set of scientific journals directly related to the two world conflicts or, more broadly, to the history of the "short 20th century" apprehended under its political, social, economic and military aspects.

The "founding fathers" of our institution made a very wide selection from the outset, accumulating the great classic titles. Over the years, with the extension of the institution's "Mission Statement", new scientific periodicals were added to cover the fields of investigation that were becoming our own.



Thus, at the beginning, in addition to "our" own journal (the *Cahiers/Bijdragen*), we also had the complete collection of the venerable *Revue d'Histoire de la Deuxième Guerre mondiale* (from its first issue in November 1950), as well as that of the no less venerable *Vierteljahrshefte für Zeitgeschichte* (dated 1955), and of course those of their respective successors! In the case of the first mentioned title, it is *Vingtième Siècle - Revue d'Histoire* and *Guerres mondiales et Conflits contemporains*, which already accumulate a good number of years. The Belgian publications are, for a long time, very present as regards the academic research with the *Belgian Review of Contemporary History/Belgisch Tijdschrift voor Nieuwste Geschiedenis* (which ended up absorbing, on the long term, the review of the Center in its last version, i.e. the *Cahiers d'Histoire du Temps présent/Bijdragen tot de Eigentijdse Geschiedenis...*) but also the *Revue belge de Philologie et d'Histoire* and the *Revue d'Histoire ecclésiastique*. Other titles were introduced over time, such as the *Cahiers de la Mémoire contemporaine/Bijdragen tot de Eigentijdse Herinnering* or the *Wetenschappelijke Tijdingen*, some of which were published by the *Stichting voor Eigentijdse Herinnering*, others by the *ADVN*, but also a number of foreign publications concerning the contemporary period, such as the *Journal of*



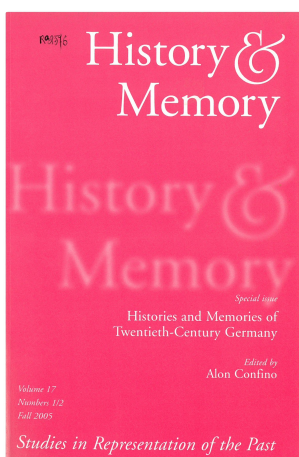
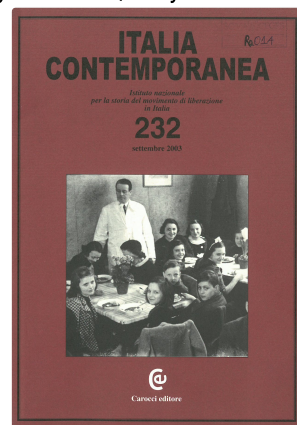


## Contemporary History, the Journal of Modern European History, and Italia Contemporanea.

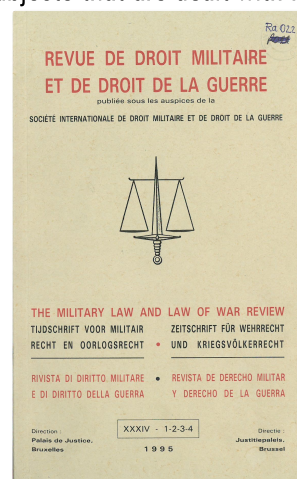
Over the last few decades, the fall of the "Soviet bloc" opened up new historiographical avenues, and the introduction of titles with a strong flavour (?) of the "zeitgeist" was not overlooked. But before that, we had already been interested in all the issues related to the genocidal policies carried out during the Second World War (*Holocaust and Genocide Studies*, *Revue d'Histoire de la Shoah*, *Yad Vashem Studies*,...) before focusing, for a while, on the First World War (*First World War Studies*) or more extensively on the Cold War (*Journal of Cold War Studies*).



Besides this very professional, highly academic and, to say the least, very "technical" approach to history, there are of course many more general but equally intellectual journals, both Belgian and foreign, which readily address our themes and can nourish historical reflection: We are also very well supplied in this matter with *La Revue générale*, *La Revue nouvelle*, but also *Le Débat*, *Esprit* and even the *Revue des Deux Mondes*... Although, in these last mentioned cases, we do not possess complete collections contrary to the properly scientific publications mentioned above, we have been able to glean "the substance" of them!



They are thus dozens and dozens of titles obtained by subscription or by acquisition through antiquarianism. And, as one can guess, not all the subjects that are dealt with in them are necessarily of direct interest to the researchers attending our institution. But to help them in their task, a reasoned selection of contributions likely to refine knowledge of the two world conflicts has been systematically carried out by the manager responsible for the Library since 1991. This choice is, of course, somewhat subjective ! But, in the end, is this not often the case in the human sciences?



A final observation, before we take our leave: most of these journals are now "online", which facilitates their access, given that a certain number of issues, in the case of less well-established or least widespread publications, have still not benefited from digitization and must be consulted on site.



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## Les prisonniers de guerre allemands en Belgique après la Seconde Guerre mondiale (German war prisoners in Belgium after the Second World War)

CegeSoma Public History Meetings (2022 - 1)

World War II [Conference](#)



**Conference-debate ([in French](#)) with guest Pierre Muller (*War Heritage Institute*)**

**A discussion led by Alain Colignon (Cegesoma/State Archives)**

From 1945 to 1948, one of the largest detention complexes ever to exist in Belgium was located in the small town of Erbisoeul. Over fifty thousand German war prisoners transited, lived and worked there. Cegesoma is pleased to resume its Public History Meetings after several months of interruption. As our first guest, Pierre Muller shall present the history and unprecedented scale of this prison camp, as well as the living conditions of the prisoners and their relationship with the guards and local population. He shall also shed light on the key role that the camp played in the economic recovery of post-war Belgium.

**Pierre Muller** holds a degree in History from Catholic University of Louvain (UCL); he currently works for the *War Heritage Institute* and writes a doctoral research study about German war prisoners detained in Belgium after the Second World War.

In addition to this topic, his main field of interest is the history of mechanical warfare. He shall soon publish a work about the ten main tank battles of the Second World War, including those on Belgian battle grounds, in collaboration with Mathias André, assistant doctoral student at UNamur ...



**Alain Colignon** is a historian from University of Liège. He heads the library of CegeSoma/State Archives since many years.

Furthermore, he is the author of various works on the history of the occupation and the private life of the population in wartimes; he further specialises in the study of the Collaboration and the Resistance, and currently works on a publication about Walloon society in the years 1930-1940.



**20/04/2022 - 12:30 to 14:00**

#### **Practical information :**

**Where?:** Conference room of CegeSoma, Square de l'Aviation 29 – 1070 Brussels

**When ?:** Wednesday 20 April 2022 (12.30 pm – 2.00 pm)

**Registration (mandatory):** [isabelle.ponteville@arch.be](mailto:isabelle.ponteville@arch.be) or **02.556.92.11**

Looking forward to seeing you on 20 April! ...and of course, feel free to bring someone with you.

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#### **Main language**

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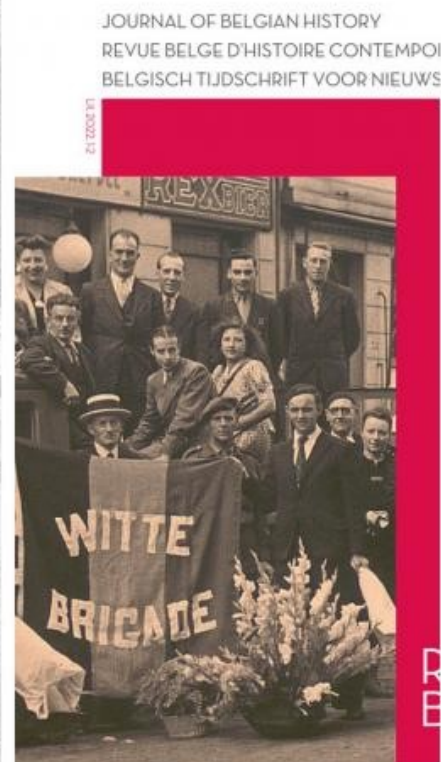
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# The Resistance in Belgium during the Second World War

## Study Day

**World War II**   [Colloquium](#)

CegeSoma is pleased to invite you on 25 April to a study day about the Resistance in Belgium during the Second World War.

This day shall consist of two parts. The morning session is dedicated to the presentation of the new thematic issue about the Resistance of the Journal of Belgian History. During the afternoon session you will have the occasion to hear the conclusions of the inter-university seminar about the Resistance at local level of students from *UCL* and Antwerp University.

### Program

#### **Morning session: Presentation of the new thematic issue about the Resistance of the Journal of Belgian History (JBH)**

- 9.00 am: Welcome
- 9.30 am: Opening message - **Nico Wouters** (Cegesoma/State Archives)
- 9.35 am: Introduction - **Babette Weyns** (*UGent*) & **Michèle Corthals** (*UAntwerpen*)
- 10.05 am: Round table (1) + discussion : New perspectives on the history of the Resistance
  - Panel: **Marnix Beyen** (*UAntwerpen*), **Bruno De Wever** (*UGent*) & **Michèle Corthals** (*UAntwerpen*)



- Host: **Fabrice Maerten** (CegeSoma/State Archives)
- 10.45 am: Coffee break
- 11.10 am: Round table (2) + discussion : The image of the Resistance in the postwar period
  - Panel: **Babette Weyns** (*UGent*), **Florence Rasmont** (*ULB*), **Bénédicte Rochet** (*UNamur*)
  - Host: **Koen Aerts** (CegeSoma/State Archives & *UGent*)
- 11.50 am: Conclusion - **Nico Wouters** (CegeSoma/State Archives)
- 12.00 noon: Presentation of the *Musée de la résistance* - **Samuel Pauwels** (*Musée de la Résistance*)
- 12.15 pm: Presentation of CegeSoma projects about the Resistance : Belgium WWII - **Chantal Kesteloot** (CegeSoma/State Archives) and project Wikibase - **Anne Chardonens** (CegeSoma/State Archives)

12.30 pm: Lunch

**Afternoon session: Conclusions of the interuniversity seminar (*Université catholique de Louvain* - *UAntwerpen*): 'A social history of the Resistance in small Belgian municipalities'**

- 1.30 pm: Introduction - **Fabrice Maerten** (CegeSoma/State Archives)
- 1.40 pm: Presentation of the general results of the seminar - **Marnix Beyen** (*UAntwerpen*) & **Emmanuel Debruyne** (*UCL*)

Presentation of results by subject by the students of *UCL* and *UAntwerpen* + discussion

- 2.00 pm: Topic (1) : Suburban municipalities
- 2.20 pm: Topic (2) : Regional centres
- 3.00 pm: Coffee break
- 3.30 pm: Topic (3) : Industrial municipalities
- 3.50 pm: Topic (4) : Mixed municipalities
- 4.30 pm: Considerations about the results of the seminar - **José Gotovitch** (honorary professor at *ULB*/former director of CegeSoma)



**25/04/2022 - 09:30 to 16:45**

**Practical information:**

**Venue:** Conference room of CegeSoma, Square de l'Aviation 29 – 1070 Brussels

**Date:** Monday 25 April 2022 (9.30 am – 4.45 pm)

**Registration mandatory until 20 April 2022 at the latest:** [isabelle.ponteville@arch.be](mailto:isabelle.ponteville@arch.be) or +32 (0)2.556.92.11 – please indicate if you wish to attend the morning session or the afternoon session or both **and** if you would like to have a small snack at noon.

**Fee:** We ask for a participation fee of *5.00 Euros* to cover the expenses related to the colloquium. If you chose a small snack at noon (sandwichs, drinks), the fee is **15.00 Euros**.

Please transfer the right amount beforehand to the account of CegeSoma: IBAN: BE12 6792 0045 0092 - BIC: PCHQBEBB + communication: 25 April 2022 + Last name and first name). **Upon payment, you are automatially registered for the colloquium.**

**Feel free to bring someone with you!**

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## SAVE THE DATES : Thursday 5 & Friday 6 May 2022

Young Historians Days? Here we go again...!



After two years of forced cancellation **CegeSoma/State Archives is pleased to organise on Thursday 5 and Friday 6 May a two-day event dedicated to young talented historians who recently graduated.** The aim is to give them the opportunity to present their research.

The subjects are in line with the missions of our institution: the First and Second World Wars and the Cold War.

This event is open to everyone: students, researchers, journalists, history enthusiasts and the large public.

We are looking forward to welcoming you at CegeSoma for the Young Historians Days.

More information (program and registration) soon.

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## Which future for the Journal of Belgian History?

Study day on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the JBH

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In spring 2012 was published the first issue of the new *Journal of Belgian History* (JBH), which is a fusion of the predecessor of the current JBH (*Belgisch Tijdschrift voor Nieuwste Geschiedenis* / *Revue Belge d'Histoire Contemporaine*, 1969-2011, published by the Jan Dhondt Foundation of Ghent University) and the *Bijdragen tot de Eigentijdse Geschiedenis* / *Cahiers d'Histoire du temps Présent* (BEG/CHTP, 1996-2011, published by CegeSoma). This fusion in 2012 was accompanied by a new layout, a new website with interactive content and the addition of colour illustrations.

Ten years later, it is clear that the journal is a real success. In the course of this period, 142 articles were published - 48 of which in thematics issues – as well as numerous proceedings, contributions to the “debates” column and summaries of doctoral theses. The quality and diversity of the content is indeed impressive, and the contents of the coming issues are already lined up: mission accomplished!

But despite its success in the scientific field, the JBH can be criticised for being somewhat of a dinosaur within the current editorial landscape. Are paper editions indeed still pertinent in an era of free online access to publications? Is a journal with a general editorial line still viable in these times of increased specialisation? To which extent a journal that has ‘Belgian contemporary history’ in its French and Dutch titles is actually still contemporary? Which

role can such a journal still play in these times of transnational historiography, of the predominance of English-language publishing and of federalised scientific landscape? On the other hand, could we consider that all of the above challenges could paradoxically let the *JBH* stand out in its uniqueness. On the occasion of this 'anniversary' conference, we shall have a look at the past, but even more turn towards the future. A panel of historians shall examine national history and historiography from various perspectives. The conference shall be rounded off with a debate about the future of the *JBH* within an editorial landscape undergoing deep transformations.

## Program

**9.30am: Welcome**

**10.00 am :** *Tien jaar BTNG 2.0 : een evaluatie* - **Nico Wouters** (CegeSoma/State Archives)

**10.20am :** Reflecting on National and Transnational Histories - **Daniel Laqua** (Northumbria University, Newcastle)

**10.45am :** *L'histoire de Belgique dans les universités. Réflexion sur l'évolution des programmes, des approches et des attentes* - **Catherine Lanneau** (ULiège)

**11.10am : Coffee break**

**11.35am :** *Zin en onzin van nationale geschiedschrijving. En bij uitbreiding van een tijdschrift als het BTNG* - **Maarten Van Ginderachter** (UAntwerpen)

**12.00 noon : Lunch break**

**1.00pm :** *La culture et l'histoire belges au XXIème siècle: analoge en digitale studies van het Belgienzentrum en op het platform BelgienNet* - **Sabine Schmitz & Yves Huybrechts** (Belgienzentrum-BELZ, Universität Paderborn)

**1.25pm :** Musées. Lieux et représentations de l'histoire de la Belgique? - **Chantal Kesteloot** (CegeSoma/State Archives)

**1.50pm :** *Geschiedenisdidactiek over de taalgrens heen* - **Tom De Paepe** (UGent) (unconfirmed)

**2.15pm :** Round table : *Welke toekomst voor (een tijdschrift zoals) het BTNG ? / Quel avenir pour une revue d'Histoire contemporaine de Belgique? / Which future for a journal such as the Journal of Belgian History?*

Host : **Michael Auwers** (CegeSoma/State Archives)

Panel : **Sébastien Dubois** (State Archives), Jeffrey Tyssens (VUB), **Bruno De Wever** (UGent) et **Christoph Brüll** (C²DH - University of Luxembourg)

**3.15-4.30 pm : Reception**



**09/05/2022 - 09:30 to 16:30**

### PRATICAL INFORMATION:



**Venue:** Conference room of CegeSoma, Square de l'Aviation 29 – 1070 Brussels

**Date and time:** Monday 9 May 2022 (9.30 am- 4.30 pm)

**Languages:** Dutch, French, English and German (free choice of language)

**Registration mandatory until 3 May 2022 at the latest:** [isabelle.ponteville@arch.be](mailto:isabelle.ponteville@arch.be) or **+32 (0)2.556.92.11** – please indicate if you would like to have a small snack for lunch.

**Fee:** € 5.00

**Fee with snack for lunch:** € 15.00

Please transfer the right amount beforehand to the account of CegeSoma: IBAN: BE12 6792 0045 0092 - BIC: PCHQBEBB + communication: anniversary JBH 9.5.2022 + Last name and first name). **Upon payment, you are automatically registered for the colloquium.**

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# Belgium and the Cold War

## Colloquium

**CegeSoma in the spotlight** [Colloquium](#)

On 12 March 1947, US president Harry S. Truman presented his '*containment*' doctrine to limit the expansion of the Soviet Union. This is traditionally considered as the starting point of the Cold War. Today, 75 years later, there is much talk about the beginning of a second Cold War. On 17 June, CegeSoma organises and is pleased to invite you to a conference about the Belgian dimension of the Cold War.

### Program

- **09.00 am:** Welcome
- **09.20 am:** Opening message - **Nico Wouters** (CegeSoma/State Archives)
- **09.25 am:** *De Koude Oorlog in de Belgische historiografie* - **Michael Auwers** (CegeSoma/State Archives)
- **09.40 am:** Keynote - *Seeing like a Small State? Belgium in the Cold War* - **Giles Scott-Smith** (Universiteit Leiden-RIAS Middelburg)

**10.20 am:** Coffee break

**First session**

- **10.40 am:** *De roddelfabriek. Nieuwe dossiers in de archieven van de Poolse communistische inlichtingendiensten* - **Idesbald Goddeeris** (KULeuven)
- **11.10 am :** *Des espions de la Stasi en Belgique? Méthodes et enjeux du service de renseignement est-allemand en Belgique (1967-1989)* - **Marie Bouvry** (UCLouvain)
- **11.40 am :** ITT and the Cold War and their leading role in creating a private security network - **Marc Cools** (BISC-UGent-VUB)

**12.10 pm :** Lunch

**Second session**

- **1.10 pm :** *Entre pragmatisme et idéologie : le PCB et le commerce avec la RDA pendant la Guerre froide* - **Thomas Briamont** (ULiège)
- **1.40 pm :** Contested solidarity for the East: Opérations Villages roumains and the end of the Cold War - **Manuel Herrera Crespo** (KADOC-KULeuven)
- **2.10 pm :** *Van het Belgische Bezettingsleger naar de Belgische Strijdkrachten in Duitsland: gewijzigde Belgisch-Duitse relaties, 1945-2004* - **Jan Van Der Fraenen** (War Heritage Institute)

**2.40 pm :** Coffee break

**Third session**

- **3.00 pm:** Belgium as a site of transnational activism during the Cold War: reflections and perspectives from international archives, 1950s-1980s - **Kim Christiaens** (KADOC- KU Leuven)
- **3.30 pm:** *De FedTwin Belcowar: een nieuw onderzoek over de politiek-economische positie van België in de Pax Americana* - **Bart Kerremans** (KULeuven) en **Dirk Luyten** (CegeSoma-State Archives)

**4.00 pm :** Conclusions

**4.10 pm :** Reception



**17/06/2022 - 09:00 to 17:30**

**Practical information:**

**Venue:** Conference room of CegeSoma, Square de l'Aviation 29 – 1070 Brussels

**Date and time:** Friday 17 June 2022 (9.00 am – 5.30 pm)

**Registration:** Mandatory. Until Monday 13 June 2022 at the latest: [isabelle.ponteville@arch.be](mailto:isabelle.ponteville@arch.be) or +32 (0)2.556.92.11. – please indicate if you would like to have a small snack at noon.

**Fee:** We ask for a participation fee of **5.00 Euros** to cover the expenses related to the colloquium. If you chose a small snack at noon (sandwichs, drinks), the fee is **15.00 Euros**. Please transfer the right amount beforehand to the account of CegeSoma: IBAN: BE12 6792 0045 0092 - BIC: PCHQBEBB + communication: 17 June 2022 + Last name and first name.

**Upon payment, you are automatially registered for the colloquium.**

**Feel free to bring someone with you!**

*Attention! Public health measures: a number of saftey measures remain applicable at the premises of CegeSoma. Please disinfect your hands when arriving at CegeSoma. Proper ventilation shall be ensured in the meeting room before and after the conference. We reserve the right to cancel this first Public History Meeting in case public health measures make it impossible to hold the conference at the scheduled date. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding!*

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Colloquium - The Great(er) War of Military Occupations in Europe. Antecedents, experiences and legacies



CegeSoma/State Archives and *Laboratoire de recherches historiques (LaRHIS)/UCLouvain* are pleased to announce they will organise an international colloquium **“The Great(er) War of Military Occupations in Europe. Antecedents, experiences and legacies”** at CegeSoma from 23 to 25 June 2022.

The aim of these three days is to study the different forms of occupation during the Second World War and to derive better categories of analysis.

More information (program and registration) soon.

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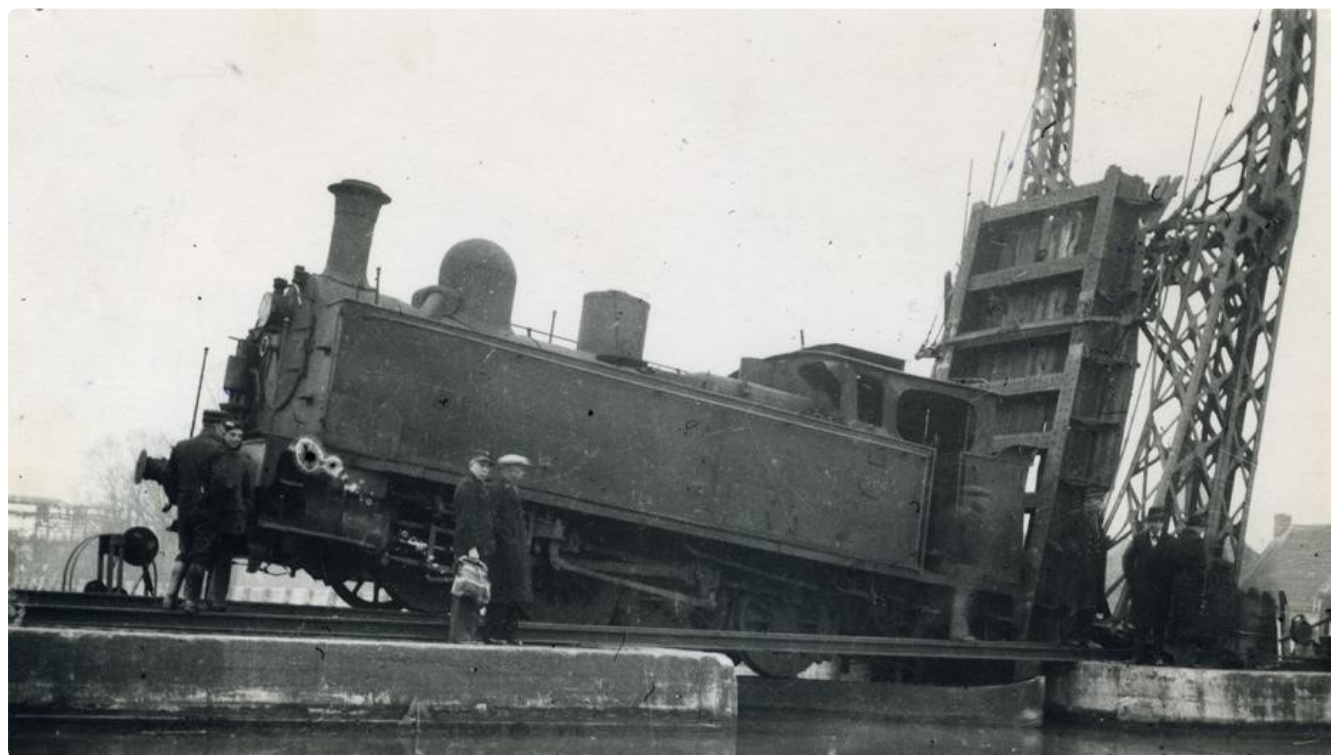
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# Trains and the Holocaust. From a Symbol of Progress to a Genocidal Tool.

Conference at Kazerne Dossin

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On 26 April 2022, Europalia organizes the conference "*Trains and the Holocaust. From a Symbol of Progress to a Genocidal Tool*". Several speakers will look at different aspects of the role that trains played in the deportation of Jews and Roma from Mechelen. In the morning session, [Nico Wouters](#) (CegeSoma/State Archives) will give a brief talk about the role of the *NMBS/SNCB* and the policy of cooperation with the German occupier and [Koen Aerts](#) (UGent-CegeSoma/State Archives) about the attack on the XXth convoy.

The conference takes place in Kazerne Dossin and starts at 9.00 am. The official language is English.

You can find all practical information (programme, registration, etc) here : <https://europalia.eu/en/trains-and-tracks/events/trains-and-the-holocaust--from-a-symbol-of-progress-to-a-genocidal-tool>



26/04/2022 - 09:00 to 17:15

## Practical information :

Address : Goswin de Stassartstraat 153 - 2800 Mechelen

## Main language

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The Association belge d'Histoire contemporaine (of which CegeSoma is a member), in collaboration with *Zentrum für Ostbelgische Geschichte (ZOG)* and *Luxembourg Centre for Contemporary and Digital History (C2DH)* is pleased to invite you to the 2022 edition of the **Contemporary History Day**. After having been cancelled two years ago due to the pandemic, this biennial study day finally takes place on 20 May 2022.

This year's edition shall be dedicated to **public history in Belgium**. It will be the occasion to have a look at the current state of affairs and to share the outcomes of experiences intended to make history known and tangible beyond university campuses. This will also be an opportunity to address the issue of regional and local history, which is closely linked to public history as it is often penned by non-professional historians and forms a fertile breeding ground for historical counter-narratives of underrepresented social groups. *Ostbelgien* is a perfect example thereof and shall be highlighted during this study day.

The event shall take place in Eupen, in the historical and enchanting premises of *Kloster Heideberg*, just a few steps from the railway station of the capital of German-speaking Belgium. After the welcoming addresses by Messrs. Brüll & Fickers (ZOG & C2DH) and by Mr. Oliver Paasch, Minister-President of the German-speaking Community, the opening paper shall be presented by Ms. Aline Sax, professor at the Universities of Antwerp and Ghent, famous author of historical novels, research coordinator at *Geheugen Collectief* – and former president of the *Association*



*belge d'Histoire contemporaine (ABHC).*

Subsequently, three sessions shall take place in parallel under the gothic vaults of the monastery, before a reception offered by *ZOG* and *ABHC*.

Klick [here](#) for the detailed program.

### **PRACTICAL INFORMATION**

**Venue:** : Kloster Heidberg - Bahnhofstraße 4, 4700 Eupen (a five minute walk from Eupen railway station)

**Date:** : Friday, 22 May 2022

**Registration mandatory** until 16 May 2022 via [GoogleForm](#)

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Les Archives de l'Etat/CegeSoma recrutent actuellement :

- **1 chercheur (h/f/x)** dans le cadre de la phase finale du projet Brain 2.0 [Postwarex](#) (*Le châtiment suprême : la justice militaire et les exécutions capitales des collaborateurs après la Seconde Guerre mondiale en Belgique (1944-1950)*) et d'une enquête sur le rôle de la SNCB dans la déportation des Juifs et des Tziganes, des prisonniers politiques et des travailleurs forcés. Il s'agit d'un contrat de 8 mois qui se déroulera principalement au Cegesoma à Bruxelles. La date d'entrée en service souhaitée est le 1er juin 2022. Les candidatures doivent être envoyées avant le 15/04/2022. Pour en savoir plus sur la vacance d'emploi, [cliquez ici](#).
- **1 historien (archiviste) néerlandophone (h/f/x)** pour le projet 'Verzet in Vlaanderen tijdens WO II'. Il s'agit d'un contrat de 6 mois qui se déroulera au Cegesoma à Bruxelles. La date d'entrée en service souhaitée est le 1er juin 2022. Les candidatures doivent être envoyées avant le 15/04/2022. Pour en savoir plus sur la vacance d'emploi, [cliquez ici](#).

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