

CALL FOR PAPERS
MILITAGE 2017
Icofort international conference on
Military Heritage from the 20th Century
4-7th September 2017
Northern Norway

organized by
Icofort Norway

<http://militage2017.org>

INTRODUCTION

Icofort international organizes each year a meeting in collaboration with the local committee in the housing country. In 2017 the meeting will take place in Northern Norway, a region with a rich history in fortifications and military heritage especially from World War II occupation, Cold War period and traces of fifty years with military exercises by NATO forces. The theme of the conference MILITAGE 2017 will be «Military Heritage from the 20th Century».

Northern Norway is known for dramatic scenery with mountains, fjords and arctic light. While attending the conference the participants will experience the landscape and become aware at the strategic military role this region has played - and still do - in a global perspective.

The theme of the conference covers a broad range of topics/areas, including identification of values, conservation issues, management and ownership and challenges in reuse of military objects, case studies and guidelines.

MILITAGE 2017 welcomes the presentation of papers by professionals, technicians, historians and others with an interest in history and in the conservation, management and re-use of fortified heritage. The aim is to create a forum for debate in which participants share their knowledge and experience from other countries, so as to enrich and broaden the horizons in order to provide a better understanding of military heritage and improved possibilities to preserve it for future generations.

IMPORTANT DATES

Submission of Abstracts	January 14, 2017
Preliminary Acceptance of Abstracts	February 10, 2017
Full paper submission	April 14, 2017
Final Acceptance of Full Papers	June 16, 2017
Last date for Early registration	June 23, 2017
Submission of Presentations	August 15, 2017
Conference Presentation	September 4-7, 2017

CONFERENCE TOPICS

1 - ***Identification and protection***

- Attributes and characteristics of 20th century fortifications
- Fortifications' typologies

- Identification, documentation and protection of «conflict landscapes»
- Identification of the cultural heritage values
- Fortifications on National Heritage List
- Fortifications in danger
- Interventions on fortifications
- Case studies

2 - Management

- Aging of concrete and iron: conservation actions
- Challenges in conservation of technical components i.e. radar, electronic devices
- Decision making process to manage military landscapes in transformation
- Ownership and management - different models
- Challenges in economic and political commitment: sustainability
- Tourism management plans
- Case studies

3 - Reuse

- Studies of reuse versus the integrity and authenticity of dismissed military objects
- Destination development and tourism
- Communication to future generations
- «Good and bad» examples of reuse
- Case studies

INVITED SPEAKERS

Leading experts Kristina Spohr, Magnus Håkenstad, John Schofield and Milagros Flores will deliver keynote speeches on the conference's topics.

PRESENTATIONS

The official language of the Conference is English. All papers should be written and presented in English. There will not be provided any simultaneous translation.

SUBMISSION

Papers should focus on the topics outlined above. The abstract not exceeding 300 words with no tables and figures should be structured in three main sections:

- Introduction
- Developments
- Remarks and Conclusions

The abstract should be clear, aiming at giving a general overview of the paper. Submissions will be peer reviewed by the Scientific Committee of the Conference.

REGISTRATION FEE

Conference fee has not been set yet.

The conference will include proceeding and participation to all technical sessions, busses, boat, lunches, coffee breaks, reception, hotel and conference former dinner.

The participants will pay for their flights to Tromsø and back from Harstad.

SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

Roberta Luciani, architect, educated at the Sapienza University of Rome.

Janne Wilberg, art historian, educated at the University of Oslo.

Marte Oftedal, architect, educated at the Norwegian University of Science and Technology in Trondheim.

Dag Stromsæther, artillery colonel, graduated at the Norwegian Military Academy in Oslo.

KART

Northern Norway (samme som i programmet, litt forstørret med Narvik i sentrum)

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ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

Roberta Luciani, (leder)
Janne Wilberg, (member)
Marte Oftedal, (member)
Dag Stromsæther, (member)

VENUE

Tromsø: Tromsø County Council Auditorium
Narvik: Narvik Peace Centre with the Red Cross War Museum Auditorium
Meløyvær (Harstad): Valhall confence hall
Trondenes (Harstad): Trondenes Historical Centre

INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORTERS

Troms County Council
Sør-Troms museum
Nord-Troms museum
Narviksenteret
Forsvaret Brigade Nord

PRACTICAL

This conference will give you the opportunity to explore the MILITAGE of the North, in the Arctic zone. We will travel a lot with buss and boat, we will walk in a rocky landscape, we will sleep in barracks where soldiers did before. The average temperature in Norther Norway in early September is 4-10 degrees. Please (it is essential to wear) take warm clothes and comfortable shoes, you will need one nice outfit only for the former dinner!