



INTERNATIONAL FORTRESS COUNCIL

Utrecht, October 1st, 2018.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL On the period October 1st, 2017 to October 1st, 2018

General Assembly

On October 20th, 2017 the IFC held its 27th General Assembly in Jülich (Germany). All member organisations were present or were represented. The *Deutsche Gesellschaft für Festungsforschung* hosted the conference.

The day started with a tour of the Citadel, the Renaissance Palace and the town of Jülich.

The next day a visit was made to a French fortification “Couronnement de la Roër” (Brückenkopf) in Jülich and to a Prussian Fort “Zwischenwerk VIIIb” in Cologne.

Presidency

President Andrea Theissen and Vice-President Luc Fellay were both at the end of their three years terms. The 27th General Assembly unanimously appointed Andreas Kupka as President of the International Fortress Council and Marc Gayda as Vice-President of the International Fortress Council. Their term ends in October 2020.

Executive Board

The Executive Board of the IFC consists of:

Mrs Andreas **Kupka**, *Deutsche Gesellschaft für Festungsforschung*, Germany, President IFC

Mr Marc **Gayda**, *Association Vauban*, Vice-President IFC

Mr Kees **Neisingh**, Secretary-General IFC

Mr Evert **Westerhuis**, Treasurer IFC

Mr David **Bassett**, *Fortress Study Group*

The Executive Board convened in Paris in February 2018.

Multilingual Fortifications Dictionary (MFD)

Jeroen van der Werf took over the responsibility for MFD from Maurice Lovisa. The MFD-drawings have been made by Chris Weber, who indicated to have finished this kind of work. So the IFC should look for other artists, when envisaging to enlarge the scope of the MFD.

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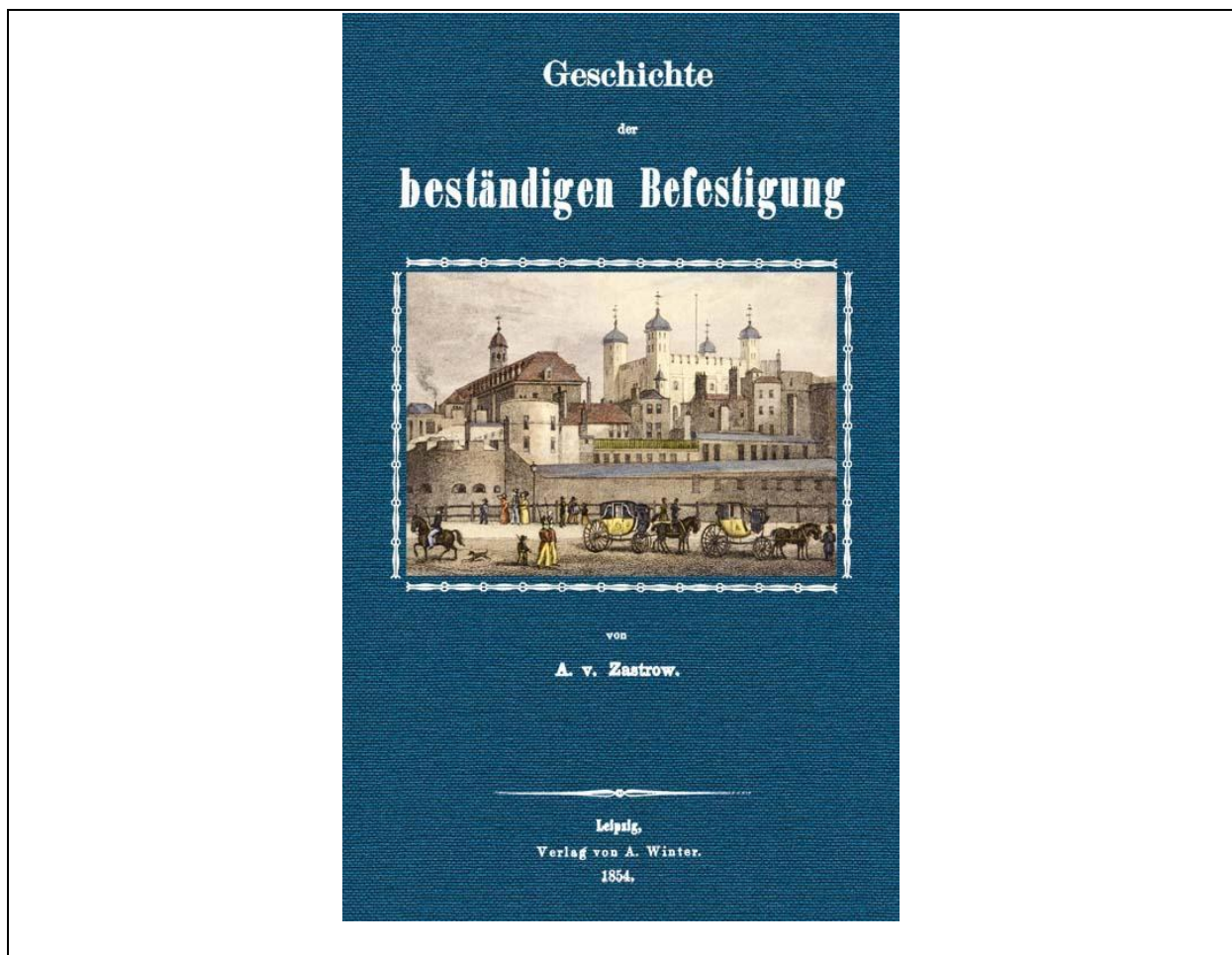
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EFFORTS, of which Menno van Coehoorn is a member, could be an instrument in obtaining EU-funds for this – per definition – multi-national project. Another option is to find a university that is familiar with this kind of projects. Jeroen van der Werf wants to digitalize the MFD, so one can search by name or category. He also suggests an addition to the current set-up: a large full-scale ‘general picture’ of the *model fortifications*, allowing zoom-in on particular details and in this way coming to the individual items and their particular names in the various languages.

After this addition, Jeroen suggests, we can go from the bastioned system to more periods, like the Polygonal system, etc.

Evert Westerhuis points out that A. von Zastrow already made this type of drawings for us.

Zastrow, Alexander von: Geschichte der beständigen Befestigung. 3. Aufl. Leipzig 1854. Neudr. Osnabrück 1983. (Bibliotheca rerum militarium; 47) Sign: 1990 A 1636



Efforts

The General Assembly and the Executive Board discussed **EFFORTS**.

IFC would like to keep in touch with EFFORTS *via* the person of our former President, Mrs Andrea Theissen, who has been invited to the meetings of IFC, as ‘EFFORTS Liaison’. IFC could be called ‘the scientific arm of EFFORTS’. Several bilateral meetings have taken place between secretariats EFFORTS and IFC.

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Linked In

Mr. Marc Gayda has put IFC on Linked-In;

See <https://www.linkedin.com/company/internationalfortresscouncil/>



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About us

The IFC and its members aim exclusively towards encouraging the maintenance of historic forts, defensive works and military architecture, and the furtherance of knowledge and information thereof. It maintains and furthers contacts between its members, the exchange of their knowledge and experience, and information on activities of its members. The purpose of the association can be fostered in a variety of ways, but the IFC does not aim at developing the same activities as its members, such as the organization of excursions, journeys, congresses (Portsmouth 2014, Anvers 2015, Toulon 2016, Jülich 2017, ...), the edition of a magazine and newsletter, etc...

Recent update

EXPERIENCE Membership of the IFC is open to organizations only. Full members of the IFC are active in the whole state in which they are established (or at least representing it), ...

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Company details

Website

<http://www.internationalfortresscouncil.org>

Headquarters

Utrecht

Year founded

1989

Company type

Nonprofit

Company size

0-1 employees

Specialties

historical research, patrimonial protection, and urban and suburban landscape

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The Executive Board approved a declaration on personal data, as required by law of the country in which IFC is registered, i.e. the Netherlands. The secretariat is responsible for collecting and keeping personal data of organisations that are member of IFC. The secretariat follows the European General Data Protection Regulation, incorporated in the Netherlands Data Protection Regulation (*Algemene Verordening Gegevensbescherming*).



Personal data

IFC collects data on representatives of member-organisations of IFC. The member-organisation implicitly agrees when supplying these data. Collected personal data are:

- Address of the member-organisation
- Telephone of the member-organisation
- Email address of the member-organisation
- Name of representatives of the member-organisation
- Telephone of the member-organisation's representative
- Email address of the member-organisation's representative

Sensitive personal data

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What are personal data used for?

IFC collects personal data to:

- communicate with member-organisation through their designated representative(s)

Automated decisions

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IFC/CDSG Fortification Calendar

The assembly expressed its appreciation of the “IFC/CDSG Forttours Calendar”, and the Assembly thanked Terry McGovern for his work. The calendar is frequently renewed by Mr McGovern and is put on the website by the secretariat. Mr McGovern requests all IFC-members to send him information on activities/excursions, etc. At the last meeting of the Executive Board Dave Bassett reported on behalf of Terry McGovern that after visiting various IFC-members- websites he concluded that there are more excursions/events that are not reported to him and thus are not included in the CDSG/IFC Calendar.

Room for improvement! Keep him informed.

Kees Neisingh,
Secretary-General IFC

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