

Dear students, friends and colleagues:

Here we are with final information on the European Mining History Conference, to be held in Bochum, Germany, 19.-22.7.2006. First of all, I must ask all of you to shortly respond to this circular so that I can be sure that you received everything safely and correctly. Also, please add your postal address even in case that you have done that before. We need that for reimbursement.

There are two appendices to this message: First, a finalized programme and secondly, a list of participants that includes students and supervisors; in addition, a link to the city map of Bochum is added. Please note what follows:

1. The programme includes what I know at the moment. Slight changes might occur, in that case you will receive a final version upon arrival.
2. As everybody knows, the deadline for contributions is June 30, 2006. I kindly ask you to send your contribution via e-mail to all participants, Ph.D. students as well as supervisors and guests, who show up on the list. Thus everybody would be free to get himself printed copies. This is especially important for session chairs who will need to prepare themselves in advance.
3. The list of participants also contains information on hotel reservation. It is important that you let me know any changes of such reservations well in advance.
4. This is your hotel: Hotel Plaza, Hellweg 20, D-44787 Bochum, tel.: 0049-234-13085. Hotel costs will be paid directly by the organizer, they include continental breakfast. Kindly pay any extras at the hotel desk yourself (English breakfast would be an extra!).
5. The hotel is conveniently situated close to Bochum railway station: Just leave the railway station at the main entrance carefully (because of traffic), cross the square in front of the station and keep yourself to the left where you will easily find the Hellweg. It is a twelve-minute-footwalk to reach the Institute for Social Movements; information can be taken from the following link. If you get lost: Most people will have a basic knowledge of English, please ask them to find the Bochum theatre ("Schauspielhaus"); our Institut is located in the very close vicinity.  
  
Bochum Railway station is on the main track from West to East Germany so that many trains pass, and all of them stop. Most of you will arrive either at Duesseldorf airport or at Koeln/Bonn airport. Once you have arrived there, follow the signs to the railway station, and get yourself a ticket to Bochum, and a train heading for Dortmund (Hannover, Berlin ... via Duisburg, Essen). With a fast train, the ride would take about 25 minutes (Duesseldorf) or 45 minutes (Koeln/Bonn). From Duesseldorf, you can also take the S-Bahn (S 1). There would be at least two or three trains per hour.
6. Travel costs would be reimbursed in cash during the conference. We need copies of all your original travel documents.
7. The excursion scheduled for Friday, July 21, will include an underground experience on "Bergwerk Walsum" which is situated north of Duisburg. We will get there via bus, and will have some additional sightseeing, ending up in a decent miners' pub in the evening. Unfortunately, for safety reasons, the number of those who can participate in the underground

trip is limited to 24. The excursion will be prepared by Holger Heith M.A., who will contact you separately because of safety regulations, and health requirements.

If anything is left open, please let me know. This would concern your hotel reservations, especially and understandably. During your travel, you can reach me any time in case of emergency; please realize the phone numbers that you can find on top of the programme.

Looking forward to welcoming you here in Bochum,  
Best wishes to all of you,  
Klaus Tenfelde