

Belgian Royal Academy for Overseas Sciences & ICA Commission on the History of Cartography
jointly invite abstract submissions for the Conference and Publication

Conquering the World through Cartography

The Imperialist Turn in 19th and 20th Century Mapping

May 30-31, 2023

Brussels (Belgium), Palace of the Academies

The 21st century map image of continents beyond Europe is still decisively shaped by inherited aesthetics and content dating back to the turn from explorative to imperialist cartography. The symposium welcomes contributions (papers and posters) to analyse aspects of the imperialist Global North hegemony by investigating topographic mapping, hydrographic charting, and thematic mapping in personal, institutional, and regional case studies. The regional scope of the conference are overseas continents and seascapes within the time frame from about the Napoleonic wars to the European de-colonization in the mid-twentieth century (1940s to 1960s).

Abstracts
submission



Abstracts for papers and posters (English, unpublished original work, max. 500 words plus max. 100 words biographical note) should be submitted electronically via <https://history.icaci.org/brussels-2023> by March 15, 2023. Accepted papers or posters will be invited for publication in the Proceedings series of the Belgian Royal Academy for Overseas Sciences.

The symposium will be held in English only and organized as a hybrid event both face-to-face at the Palace of the Academies in Brussels and via livestream.

Online registration is expected to open early February 2023 with registration fees staggered for students & emerging scholars, early bird, and regular attendance (https://www.kaowarsom.be/en/registration_cartography2023).

Registration

