



Industrial Heritage in a United Europe

International Scientific Conference

18th – 20th October 2026 Warsaw

Sunday // 18.10.2026

15:45–18:00

Sightseeing of Warsaw monuments

Palace of Culture and Science [underground]

Monday // 19.10.2026

Warsaw Gasworks Museum (Muzeum Gazowni Warszawskiej)

Seweryna Krzyżanowskiego 7 St., 01-220 Warsaw

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08:30–09:00

Participant registration

09:00–09:10

Conference opening

Minister of Culture and National Heritage, General Conservator of Monuments,
Director of NID, President of TICCIH

PANEL I: Law and practice in the protection of industrial heritage in European countries

Moderators: Andrzej Siwek, Piotr Gerber

09:10–09:30

Legal regulations determining the protection of
industrial heritage in Poland

Jacek Dąbrowski

09:30–09:50

Legal regulations vs. practical protection of industrial
heritage in Austria

Christian Hanus

09:50–10:10	Industrial heritage and the art of thoughtful protection in the Netherlands Hildebrandt de Boer
10:10–10:30	Shaping legal regulations supporting the preservation of industrial monuments in Germany Milena Karabaic
10:30–10:50	Monument protection law in Portugal João Vaz Estevão
10:50–11:10	Monument protection law in Sweden Roine Wiklund
11:10–11:30	Legal principles of technical monuments protection in France Florence Hachez-Leroy
11:30–12:00	<u>Coffee break</u>

PANEL II: European support in financing projects for the protection and use of European industrial heritage

Moderator: Julian Kołodziej

12:00–12:20	Projects for the protection and development of technical facilities implemented with the participation of European funds Massimo Preite
12:20–12:40	Revitalization of the industrial city landscape on the example of Łódź – achievements and challenges Bartosz Walczak / Mateusz Grabowski
12:40–13:00	A European Steam Engine. How EU funds Put The Historic Ignacy Mine Back In Motion Marek Gołosz
13:00–13:20	Familistère or "Social Palace": a museum in utopia Frédéric Panni
13:20–13:40	History of the Warsaw Gasworks Museum Marta Piekarska
13:40–14:40	<u>Lunch break</u>

PANEL III: Discussion on establishing an organization dedicated to European industrial heritage

Moderator: Massimo Preite

14:40–16:40	The discussion will feature individuals associated with national organizations focused on the idea of protecting industrial heritage in Europe; the main goals set for the planned organization will be discussed. Massimo Preite, Milena Karabaic, Miles Oglethorpe, Roine Wiklund, Hildebrand de Boer, Bartosz Walczak, Edoardo Curra, Florence Hachez-Leroy
16:40–17:00	<u>Coffee break</u>
17:00–18:00	Tour of the Warsaw Gasworks Museum exhibition
19:00–21:00	Evening reception at the Warsaw Gasworks Museum

Tuesday // 20.10.2026

Warsaw Gasworks Museum

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PANEL IV: Good practices in the protection and use of railway heritage

Moderator: Piotr Gerber

09:00–09:20	Railway heritage – subject of protection Maciej Mądry
09:20–09:40	Historical railway tourism in the Pardubice Region Martin Netolický
09:40–10:00	Utilization of historical railway lines in Lower Silesia Wojciech Zdanowski
10:00–10:20	<u>Coffee break</u>

10:20–10:50	Cooperation between monument protection authorities of the Czech Republic and Czech Railways Alena Borowcowa
10:50–11:10	Forth Bridge in Edinburgh on the UNESCO World Heritage List Miles Oglethorpe
11:10–11:30	Preserving railway heritage in Sweden's modernizing railway system Mimmi Mikkelsen
11:30–11:50	Discussion on preserving the Vyšehrad Railway Bridge in Prague Pavel Ryjáček
11:50–12:10	Heritage values of the Vyšehrad Railway Bridge in Prague Miloš Matěj

PANEL V: Revitalization of railway lines in Poland. Expert panel discussion

Moderator: Robert Kola

12:10–13:10	The discussion will feature individuals involved in the process of revitalization and modernization of railway lines in Poland – representatives of conservation services, investors, and public advocacy groups. Jakub Lewicki, Miloš Matěj, Mimmi Mikkelsen, Miles Oglethorpe, Christian Hanus, <i>Representatives of: PKP S.A, PKP PLK S.A, Ministry of Infrastructure, Ministry of Culture and National Heritage, PK TICCIH, FEDECRAIL, international experts in the field of railway heritage utilization</i>
13:10–13:40	<u>Coffee break</u>

PANEL VI: Proposal from Silesia – preserving mining heritage in operation

Moderator: Piotr Gerber

13:40–14:00	European initiatives towards the continued operation of operational technical monuments Tiddo Bresters
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14:00–14:20	Silesian coal mines support keeping technical monuments operational in Europe Piotr Gerber
14:20–14:40	Case study – historical Marcel mine in Radlin Ewa Mackiewicz
14:40–14:50	Status of work in the European Parliament on introducing solutions enabling the continued operation of operational technical monuments in Europe Łukasz Kohut (online)
14:50–15:30	Discussion on the project to preserve an active hard coal mine in Poland to supply coal for operational technical monuments in Poland – including steam locomotives. Tiddo Bresters, Hildebrandt de Boer, Robert Hildebrand, Ewa Mackiewicz, Miloš Matěj*, Roine Wiklund
15:30–16:00	Presentation and signing of the charter of good practices in the protection and use of industrial heritage in Europe.
16:00–17:00	<u>Refreshments</u> End of conference

* TBC

The conference languages are Polish and English. Simultaneous interpretation is provided.