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CONFERENCE
GHENT UNIVERSITY
14 - 17 MAY 2008

ANALOGOUS SPACES

Architecture and the Space of Information,
Intellect and Action

Analogous Spaces refers to the fact that every science or knowledge,
every thought, every memory, every action creates its own space and that
these spaces are organised according to a similar structure or architecture.

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PROGRAMME

Wednesday 14 MAY OMAMO: The Black Box	
What?	<p>THE PARALLEL LIFE OF ANALOGOUS SPACES IN THE WORK OF OMA/AMO THE ARCHITECTURE OF THE DIAGRAM AND METAPHOR</p> <p>lecture by Floris Alkemade comment by Rolf Hughes</p>
When?	20:00
Where?	Auditorium Quetelet Faculty of Economics and Management, Tweekerkenstraat 2, Ghent
Social events?	The lecture is followed by a reception in the main hall

Thursday 15 MAY	Spaces of Intellectual Networks
What?	The first theme explores spatial analogies in terms of social and intellectual networks. What are the geographic relationships and/or technological affordances that support or inhibit the development of such networks? What constrains their development and effectiveness and how do different kinds of network models help in understanding their formation, evolution and dissolution.
Where?	Conference Venue: Museum van Schone Kunsten, Ferdinand Scribedreef 1, Citadelpark, Ghent
When?	9:00 – 17:40
Social events?	At 6 p.m. Reception at the Town Hall , Botermarkt 1, Ghent At 8 p.m. Conference Dinner at NTG Foyer (1st Floor,) Sint Baafsplein17, Ghent

Friday 16 MAY	Spaces of Knowledge and Memory
What?	The second theme deals with the space of knowledge and memory. How can we compare the encyclopedia and the museum, the book and the library, the diagram and the database? How do they use architecture to structure knowledge and how is architecture used as a metaphor of memory?
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Social events?	At 6.30 p.m. visit to the Booktower, Rozier 9, Ghent

Saturday 17 MAY	Spaces of Action and Decision Making
What?	The third theme explores the space required for speed, action and decision making. In modernity, fast and effective action generates its own space of organization, intelligence and feedback. What does this space look like, and what are the different ways in which it can be represented?
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When?	9:00 – 13:00

Saturday 17 MAY- Sunday 18 MAY	Paul Otlet Tour
What?	The Paul Otlet Tour will take you on Saturday to Westend, once an ideal sea-resort designed by Octave van Rysselberghe and Paul Otlet. On Sunday there will be a conducted tour in the archives of the Mundaneum (archives of Paul Otlet and Henri La Fontaine) in Mons. In the afternoon we will drive to Brussels and we will visit the Solvay Library (Parc Léopold), the Hôtel Otlet (architect: Octave Van Rysselberghe and Henri van de Velde) and the Palais du Cinquantenaire (once the 'World Palace' of Otlet and La Fontaine)
Where?	Westend, Mons, Brussels
When?	Saturday (14:00) – Sunday (16:00)

Thursday 15 MAY	Spaces of Intellectual Networks
	Plenary Session 1: Lectures Chair: SYLVIA VAN PETEGHEM
09:00-09:30	Analogous Spaces: an introduction PIETER UYTENHOVE
09:30-10:15	Intellectual networks as (part of) social movements: a survey of methodological and theoretical approaches. The case of George Sarton and the early years of Isis (Keynote) CHRISTOPHE VERBRUGGEN/LEWIS PYENSON
	coffee break
10:45-11:15	Places, Faces, Networks: Paul Otlet in Brussels, 1890- 1914 BOYD RAYWARD
11:15-11:45	Live presentation of Thomas Soetens and Kora Van den Bulcke in the Common Grounds network of virtual worlds. Presentation made possible by Workspace Unlimited (www.workspace-unlimited.org) with the support of IBBT (www.ibbt.com) WORKSPACE UNLIMITED
11:45-12:15	In search for Dataspace KOOS BOSMA/JEROEN BARENDSE
	Lunch break
	Session 1: papers Chair: GITA DENECKERE
14:00-14:20	Files and Books. Paul Otlet and the Beginnings of the International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS-IISA) at Brussels STEFAN FISCH
14:20-14:40	Le 'système Otlet' du point de vue de l'organisation spatiale STEPHANIE MANFROID
14:40-15:00	The Transnational as a National Space: Intellectual Cooperation and Concepts of Nationhood, 1905-1939 DANIEL LAQUA
15:00-15:20	The Nietzsche-Archive in Weimar. Building the Architecture for the Perceptive OLÉ FISCHER
15:20-15:40	Round Table
	coffee break
	Session 2: papers Chair: MARC DE MEY
16:00-16:20	Artists' Periodicals: designing idealist spaces of cultural production and exchange JOAN GREER
16:20-16:40	Social networks in Agrippa and Semantic Web technology RAF GUNS
16:40-17:00	Making visible social networks. Representation, space and diagrams in Social Network Analysis STEFANO PERNA/ MARIANNA MARRA/ PASQUALE NAPOLITANO
17:20-17:40	Round Table
	Social events
18:00-20:00	Reception at the Town Hall , Botermarkt 1, Ghent
20:00	Conference Dinner at NTG Foyer (1st Floor,) Sint Baafsplein 17, Ghent

Friday 16 MAY		Spaces of Knowledge and Memory	
		Plenary Session 2 Lectures Chair: DIRK DE MEYER	
09:00-09:30	Analogies between Information Practices and Spatial Practices (Conference introduction) WOUTER VAN ACKER		
09:30-10:15	Interrogating the Analogy of Spaces (Keynote) MICHAEL BUCKLAND		
coffee break			
10:45-11:15	Can public space be downloaded? NADER VOSSOUGHIAN		
11:15-11:45	Mapping Babel. A Typographical Analysis of Christophe Plantin's Dictionaries PIERRE DELSAERDT		
11:45-12:15	Penser par diagrammes et transformations: des nœuds aux espaces LUCIANO BOI		
Lunch break			
13:40 During lunch break	Simulating Otlet's Interfaces to the "Plan Mondial" CHARLES VAN DEN HEUVEL NIELS CHARLIER		
	Session 3a: papers Chair: GERT MORREEL		Session 3b: papers Chair: YVES SCHOONJANS
14:00-14:20	Mental spaces, a design tool seen in historical perspective THIERRY LAGRANGE		From Civic Space to Virtual Space: The Past and Future of Early Public Library Buildings in Britain ALISTAIR BLACK SIMON PEPPER KAYE BAGSHAW
14:20-14:40	Building Texts + Reading Fabrics: Metaphor, Memory and Material in John Ruskin's Stones of Venice STEPHEN KITE		Reassessing Yale University's "Cathedral Orgy": The Ecclesiastical Metaphor and the Sterling Memorial Library MARGARET GRUBIAK
14:40-15:00	From Text to Theatre: An Architectural Reading of Heinrich Khunrath's 'Amphitheatrum Sapientiae Aeternae' (1595) WILLEM DE BRUIJN		Metaphors in action: early modern church buildings as spaces of knowledge ANNE-FRANCOISE MOREL MAARTEN DELBEKE
15:00-15:20	History or Fairytale? Camillo Sitte's metaphor of the urban space as a memory SONJA HNILICA		Mapping the City of Senses and Meanings: the work of three students of Kevin Lynch and its context CLÉMENT ORILLARD
15:20-15:40	Round Table		Round Table
Coffee break			

	Session 4: papers Chair: PIERRE CHABARD
16:00-16:20	Urban Grids, Computer Grids and Global Grids. A historical exploration of analogous architectures of the Information Society CHARLES VAN DEN HEUVEL
16:20-16:40	Otlet: Ontology, Epistemology and the Circle of Knowledge STEFFEN DUCHEYNE
16:40-17:00	Google Books: this would have kept Otlet awake! PHILIPPE COLOMBET
17:20-17:40	Round Table
	Social events
18:30	Visit to the Booktower, Rozier 9, Ghent

Saturday 17 MAY	Spaces of Action and Decision Making	
	Plenary Session 3 Lectures Chair: BERND FROHMANN	
09:00-09:30	The space of action and decision making (Conference introduction) GUY DE TRÉ	
09:30-10:15	The new document: digital, polymorphic, ubiquitous and actionable (Keynote) PATRICK BERGMANS	
	coffee break	
	Session 5a: papers Chair: BERND FROHMANN	Session 5b: papers Chair: STEPHAN DRESCHER
10:40-11:00	The Universal University: the architectural future of Otlet's prediction DOMINIQUE ROUILLARD	Introduction on my work in the Los Alamos National Laboratory STEPHAN DRESCHER
11:00-11:20	The evolution of knowledge landscapes – measurement, visualization, models and simulations ANDREA SCHARNHORST	Urban exhibitionism, or representing the recalcitrant city DAVID VAN DER BURGH ALOK NANDI
11:20-11:40	Wal-Scrapers. Extra-Medium, Supra-Medium, Infra-Medium JESSE LECAVALIER	Multiple Dimensions of Search Results TAMAR SADEH
11:40-12:00	Civil Defense and the Space of Decision Making DAVID MONTEYNE	Using Tacit Knowledge in Decision-Making: Case of the town planning in Kyoto Prefecture ELIA GUIHEUX
12:00-12:20	Round Table	Round Table
12:20-12:30	Conference closing remarks	

Saturday 17 MAY- Sunday 18 May	The Paul Otlet Tour
Saturday 17 MAY	Westend http://www.middelkerke.be/toerisme/nieuw/toeristische_attracties.asp
13:00-14:00	lunch picnic in let's call it an Analogous space ... close to the conference venue
14:00-15:00	Drive by mini-bus to Westend
15:00 -16:00	Visit to Villa Les Zéphyr, designed by Oscar Van de Voorde, chief architect of the world exhibition 1913 in Ghent. Art Nouveau Interior by Henry van de Velde http://www.kusthistories.be/
	Guided short walk to Grand Hôtel Belle Vue listening to an explanation about the vision and the urban planning of Octave van Rysselberghe. Van Rysselberghe designed, together with Otlet, the ideal sea-resort Westend.
16:00 – 17:00	Short visit to the Grand Hôtel Belle Vue designed by Octave Van Rysselberghe and the pupil of Otlet, Nicolas Lembrée
	Drink
18:00	Drive to Lombise and dinner
22:00	Drive to Féloy and stay at the hotel Manoir du capitaine http://www.manoirducapitaine.com/

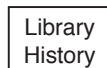
Sunday 18 MAY	Mons http://www.mundaneum.be/
09:30	Drive to Mons On 18 May Mons celebrates La ducasse, la fête du Doudou, a special experience ... http://ducassedemons.info/
10:00-12:30	Visit to the Mundaneum Conducted tour in the archives of the Mundaneum (archives of Paul Otlet and Henri La Fontaine) Visit to the Museum of the Mundaneum
11:30-12:30	Sandwich offered by the Mundaneum
12:30-13:30	Drive to Brussels
	Brussels
13:30-14:30	Solvay Library, Parc Léopold http://www.bibliothequesolvay.be/
14:30-15:00	Palais du Cinquantenaire (once the 'World Palace' of Paul Otlet and Henri La Fontaine) http://www.eurobru.com/monum055.htm
15:00-16:00	Hotel Otlet (architect: Octave Van Rysselberghe and Henri van de Velde) http://www.pbase.com/brunello/image/55980629
16:00 -	Drive to Brussels Central Station Drive to Ghent



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