

## Report from the Director of Publications 2014

IIC is continuing to work harmoniously with its publishing partner Maney Ltd, and over the year the last of IIC's past publications, namely congresses and papers published in *Studies in Conservation*, have become available on the Maney website. The Vienna congress preprints, the first congress preprints to be published with Maney, appeared as a digital *Supplement to Studies in Conservation* for 2014, and look impressive in terms of content as well as appearance. Printed copies can be purchased from Archetype, along with the other IIC congress preprints that remain in print. The publication is by Cather *et al.*, Sharon Cather having chaired the technical committee as well as being an active editor of the preprints, along with co-editors Austin Nevin, Jo Kirby-Atkinson, Marika Spring, Dinah Eastop and me, and assistant editor valentine Walsh. I thank them all for their hard work over a three-month period. The Forbes Prize lecture given in Vienna has been published in *Studies in Conservation* during 2013. Student posters are the only contributions to the Vienna congress which are not available in print form: instead they are hosted as complete posters on IIC's website, where they can be viewed with the complete posters presented by students at the Istanbul congress in 2010.

During the year, plans were made for the preprints of the Hong Kong 2014 congress, with the local organising committee. The format will differ from previous IIC preprints, to accommodate the need to produce a dual-language printed book for delegates, fully accessible to the anticipated significant number of non-English speaking presenters from mainland China. As usual, this will be available online as a *Supplement to Studies in Conservation*, in 2014 after the event. The papers printed will be shorter (to allow time for translation into English for editing, and into Chinese after completion) but greater in number. It is planned to produce postprints of longer papers from the congress, as a 2015 *Supplement to Studies in Conservation*

*Studies in Conservation* has attracted increasing numbers of papers of high quality on a diverse range of subjects, and the number produced online, and citable as FastTrack papers forming a queue for printing in a future issue, continues to grow. During 2013, Council took the decision to increase the number of pages per issue in the later part of the year, and to move from 4 to 6 issues per year from the beginning of January 2014. It is proving eminently possible to identify 'themes' from these papers, for half of the issues of the journal. I thank Chandra Reedy, editor-in-chief for *Studies*, for her endless and excellent work in coordinating a team of 20 editors. This year only one has joined their number: Dr Elizabeth le Guin, USA.

Transcripts of a number of *Dialogues for a New Century* have been made available on the public side of IIC's website, capable of being downloaded by all readers without charge, in an increasing number of languages. The languages are selected to cover the most obvious target audiences for each dialogue topic, and the actual translations are done by a series of *project lingua* volunteers, or else by members of one of IIC's regional groups.

*News in Conservation* continues to be found on the public side of the IIC web page, as an online-only publication with a recognisable format, including both longer features and IIC news. I thank Barbara Borghese for continuing to keep its content exciting and very varied, and for maintaining the IIC news on the webpage. Barbara also contributes to the IIC news and events dairy which are found on the webpage, and which come under the Director of Communications who will present a separate report.

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