





ATTENDANCE FEE

€ 20 per day - € 60 for 3 days

Friends of the In Flanders Fields Museum:

€ 15 per day - € 45 for 3 days

Conference dinner € 50

INFORMATION

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YPRES - PASSCHENDAELE 1917 - 2007



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A general cultural programme to commemorate the year 1917



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PASSCHENDAELE 1917

CONFERENCE - YPRES

15-17 NOVEMBER 2007



AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

organised by

THE MEMORIAL MUSEUM PASSCHENDAELE 1917 (ZONNEBEKE)

and THE IN FLANDERS FIELDS MUSEUM YPRES (YPRES)

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THURSDAY 15 November 2007

Chair: **Prof. dr. Luc De Vos**
(KONINKLIJKE MILITAIRE SCHOOL, B)

Inscription - Registration

Morning Session

PRELUDE: Preparations, Proposals and Plans

Prof. Robin Prior (UNIVERSITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES -
AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE ACADEMY, AUS)

The 3rd Battle of Ypres: overview

Prof. Hew Strachan (UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD, UK)

The political and military Preparations for the 3rd Battle of Ypres

PD Dr. Christoph Jahr (HUMBOLDT UNIVERSITÄT, BERLIN, D)

The German Army during the 3rd Battle of Ypres

Prof. Gary Sheffield (UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM, UK)

The British Army in 1917

Afternoon session

INSTRUMENTS: Development, Dispositions and Deployment

Franky Bostyn (MEMORIAL MUSEUM PASSCHENDAELE 1917, ZONNEBEKE, B) *The German Defence Positions in Flanders 1917*

Rob Thompson (UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM, UK)
The God of War and the Vale of The Passion: British Artillery during the Third Ypres Campaign, 1917

David Fletcher (BOVINGTON TANK MUSEUM, UK)
The Tanks in Flanders – 1917

Simon Jones (UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM, UK)
Yperite: Gas Warfare in 1917

Evening Programme: Visit to two exhibitions: 'The Road to Passchendaele' (Zonnebeke) and 'A Descent into Hell: the New Zealanders at Passchendaele' (Passendale) with drink in the Old Cheese Factory, Passendale.

FRIDAY 16 November 2007

Chair: **Prof. dr. Koen Koch**
(UNIVERSITEIT LEIDEN, NL)

Morning session

ENSEMBLE: Nations at Arms

Prof. Glyn Harper (MASSEY UNIVERSITY- CENTRE FOR DEFENSE STUDIES, NZ) *From Masterpiece to Massacre: The Anzacs at Passchendaele October 1917*

Bill Rawling (DIRECTORATE OF HISTORY AND HERITAGE, DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE, OTTAWA, CAN)
The Canadians at Passchendaele

Capt. Michaël Bourlet (ECOLES MILITAIRES DE SAINT-CYR COËTQUIDAN, F) *The French 1st Army in the 3rd Battle of Ypres*

Dominiek Dendooven (IN FLANDERS FIELDS MUSEUM, YPRES, B)
'Seldom was I more distressed by bad weather'. The Third Battle of Ypres as it was lived by a Region and its Inhabitants

Afternoon session

DIRECTION: Discourse and Debate – enduring Controversies associated with Command, Choices and Control during the Battle of Passchendaele

Prof. David Stevenson (LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS, UK)

Prof. John Bourne (UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM, UK)

Prof. Robin Prior

Prof. Hew Strachan

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Evening Programme: Last Post Ceremony at the Menin Gate and Conference Dinner at the Cloth Hall, Ypres

SATURDAY 17 November 2007

Chair: **Prof. dr. Annette Becker**
(UNIVERSITÉ DE PARIS X, NANTERRE, F)

Morning session

RECESSIONAL: Remembrance, reflection and the Battle of Passchendaele

Prof. dr. Gerhard Hirschfeld (UNIVERSITÄT STUTTGART, D)
German soldiers and their 'Third Battle for Flanders'

Prof. Paul Gough (THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST OF ENGLAND, BRISTOL, UK) *'An epic of mud' - Passchendaele and the Arts*

Dr. Stéphanie Claisse (UNIVERSITÉ CATHOLIQUE DE LOUVAIN, LOUVAIN-LA-NEUVE, B) *What became of the dead of 1917?*

Prof. Jay Winter (YALE UNIVERSITY, USA)
Passchendaele in History

Afternoon: A Tour of the Battlefields + Drink at the Memorial Museum Passchendaele 1917, Zonnebeke

CONFERENCE LANGUAGE: ENGLISH

TOWN THEATRE & CLOTH HALL,
YPRES (UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED)