Program

Monday, September 13, 2010

09:00  Registration, coffee & tea
09:45  Welcome by the manager of the Lorentz Center and the scientific organizers
10:00  Outline of the SOFT-EU book: *Computing in many languages, European practices and identities in the early Cold War era*
   1. Gerard Alberts, structure of the book and chapter 1. *Introduction*
   Commentator: *Martin Campbell-Kelly*
11:00  Section I. Software in Cold War times
   2. Helena Durnová, *think piece*
   3. James Sumner, *Decline, defiance and display: visions of the computer in early Cold War Britain*
   4. Corinna Schlombs (*), *Productivity machines or automation technology? Transatlantic circulation and appropriation of computing technology in the early Cold War*
   5. Helena Durnová, *The ‘other’ side of the Iron Curtain revisited*
   6. Simon Donig, *Leaving Westerness behind – or how computing became the socialist silver bullet for economic growth*
   Commentator: *Eda Kranakis*
12:00  Lunch
14:00  Section I continued
14:45  Contributed papers
   Jos Peeters, *Early software houses in The Netherlands: PANDATA*
   Hennie Kok, *Hardware manufacturers and their software production: Philips 1975-1985*
15:30  Tea
16:00  Invited address:
   Martin Campbell-Kelly, *Victorian data processing*
17:00  Wine & Cheese

Tuesday, September 14, 2010

09:00 Section II, *Rethinking national endeavours*
   7. Petri Paju, *think piece*
   9. Pierre Mounier-Kuhn, *IBM in France: Competition and cooperation*
   10. Petri Paju, *IBM and nationalism in a small European country: international and transnational evidence*
   11. Jeff Yost (*), * Appropriation and (In)dependence: Examening the British Tabulating Machine Company (BTM), IBM and Burroughs at the Advent of the Computer Industry*
   Commentator: *Hannu Salmi*
12:00  Lunch
14:45  Contributed papers and breakout sessions for new research plans
   Session of counterculture and the reception of the PC in Europe by
   Theodoros Lekkas, *Counterculture or fostering a culture of use? Home microcomputing in Greece during the 1980s*
   Bruno Jakic, *Galaxy and the New Wave; Computer culture in Yugoslavia in the 1980s*
   Johan Söderberg, *Hardware hacking in the Czech wireless community*
   Patryk Wasiak, *Social Practices of home computer users in Poland during the 1980s*
15:30  Tea
16:00  Invited address:
   Eda Kranakis, *Unidata narratives*
**Wednesday, September 15, 2010**

**Afternoon:**
Public event on 50th anniversary of Algol 60 in cooperation with Museum Boerhaave, invited speakers:
14:00  Mark Priestley, The ALGOL research program
14:45  tea
15:15  Jan van Leeuwen, From ALGOL to the things we program now
16:00  Museum tour
17:00  Drinks
18:00  Buffet

**Evening:**
Public event, in Dutch, with Museum Boerhaave
20:00  Martinus J.G. Veltman, Schoonschip en de kunst van het programmeren
21:00  De Dijkstra-Zonneveld ALGOL-compiler, 16 augustus 1960
       Gesprek met software-pioniers
       Jaap Zonneveld
       Frans Kruseman Aretz
       Dirk Dekker
       door Herbert Blankestijn en Gerard Alberts

**Thursday, September 16, 2010**

09:00  Section III. Pursuing international cooperation
       12. David Nofre, think piece
       13. David Nofre, “Not a research laboratory, but a service center”: transatlantic dissonances in the establishment of the Unesco International Computation Centre (1946-1960)
       Commentator: Nathan Ensmenger
12:00  Lunch
14:00  breakout session for new research plans
15:00  Contributed papers
       Gauthier Vandenhove, Dijkstra’s contributions to computing science and the evolution of thought
15:30  Tea
16:00  Invited address:
       Helmut Trischler, Knowledge Societies, Expert Systems and Innovation Cultures in Europe in the Long Twentieth Century

**Friday, September 17, 2010**

09:00  Section IV. Styles and places of software production
       16. Gerard Alberts, think piece
       17. David Nofre, Gerard Alberts, Localizing ALGOL: industrial-academic collaboration as a platform for early software production in Western-Europe (1958-1965)
       18  Karel van Oudsheden, Gerard Alberts, Universality versus locality, the Amsterdam style of ALGOL implementation
       19. Helena Durnová, The importance of being a curtain: embracing ALGOL across the Iron Curtain
       20. Gard Paulsen, Coming across? Programming languages and telecommunications in the 1970s
21. Epilogue: Thomas Haigh, “Crisis, What Crisis?” Garmisch-Partenkirchen as the end of the ALGOL effort
Commentator: Helmuth Trischler

12:00 Lunch
13:00 Closing session on plans for future projects
14:00 Invited address:
    Nathan Ensmenger, From computer operators to operating systems

* NB the authors of the chapters marked (*) will not be present in person.