CONSTRUCTION HISTORY BIBLIOGRAPHY

Guidance

Introduction

The International Construction History Bibliography is an open-access bibliographic wiki-database being created and maintained by The Construction History Society. It was launched in April 2019 and relies on contributions from Members for its content. It will accept material and searches in any language, but we prefer English. Anyone may view the database but only Members of the CHS and its affiliated organisations can add content. If you wish to add material to the database you must join the CHS or an affiliated organisation first. You can join the CHS through our website: www.constructionhistory.co.uk.

The database is protected by security measures and Members wishing to add content must be issued with a USERNAME and a PASSWORD by the Administrator. This is not automatated, so acquiring a Username and Password might take a day or two depending on the commitments of the Administrator. To acquire a Username and Password, send an email to ‘membership@constructionhistory.co.uk’ requesting access to the bibliography and stating your full name.

SEARCH PAGE

This is the opening page of the database and is freely accessible to anyone using the internet. The ‘search’ facility is a ‘free-text’ search, like that of JSTOR. It searches the entire database and lists those bibliographic entries that include your search term, irrespective of whether the term appears in the author, title or abstract. It does not distinguish between different types of published material, such as books, articles, conference papers. So: a word such as ‘construction’ will probably produce thousands of entries; but a word such as ‘Hennebique’ will produce fewer. Type your search term in the ‘Search’ box. The database will list the Author, Year of Publication and Title of all entries that contain your search term. Click on the icon under ‘View Entry’ to see the full record for the entry displayed on the ‘Entry Record’ page.

ENTRY RECORD

This is the full bibliographic record for the entry, including ISBN and ISSN numbers if applicable; URLs for internet sources; an Abstract and a list of Key Words. To return to the Search Page, click on ‘Search’ in the top right hand corner. To enter the database as a Member, click ‘LOGON’.

LOGON

Type your USERNAME and PASSWORD as given to you by the Administrator, then click LOGON. This will take you back to the SEARCH page, but with ‘ADD ENTRY’ now in the top right hand corner. Click on ‘ADD ENTRY’ and you will be presented with the ‘ENTRY RECORD’ page.

ADD ENTRY and ENTRY RECORD

Type the details of your entry in the appropriate boxes as follows:

Author: Family name, initials separated by gaps, e.g. ‘Heaton, M J’, or ‘Martinez-Cofino, J J’.
Year of Publication:  e.g. 1996

Title: Please use the Harvard system of citation, without italics.

Publisher: If your entry is an article in a journal published by an academic society, such as the Gesellschaft fur Bautechnikgeschichte, or a university department, type the full name of the publishing society or university department.

ISBN: The 10-digit reference, if applicable, but without gaps.

ISSN: The 8-digit reference, if applicable

URLs: If the work to which the entry refers is available from an internet source, type the URL here. If it available from more than one internet source, type all of them SEPARATED by a gap, thus: http://www.emeraldinsight.com/0263-080X.htm https://momentum-magazin.de/de/gesellschaft-fur-bautechnikgeschichte-gegruendet/29/ is two URLs.

Abstract: A summary of the work to which the entry relates.

Keywords: The main topics and themes covered by the work.

Then click on 'SAVE BOOK' which will take you back to the 'Search Page'. If you wish to add another entry, simply click on 'ADD ENTRY' in the top right hand corner.

When you have finished, click 'LOGOFF' in the top right hand corner. You may edit your entry at any time later, but you cannot edit those made by other people.

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