

International Meeting Locations

Friday in a hotel nearby Amsterdam where participants can also stay for the nights. Here we have the swap, lectures and diner buffet all together in a comfortable and sociable environment.

Hotel Breukelen

Stationsweg 91, Breukelen, The Netherlands
www.vandervalk.nl

Saturday we will travel together to a former Power Plant in the heritage centre of Amsterdam, which is transformed into the Energetica Museum. It houses several former individual collections of electrical household equipment like vacuum cleaners, radio's and TV's and a unique collection of old elevators. The meeting room on the top floor has a splendid view over the city of Amsterdam. The UTO exposition will be displayed in this museum. Our partners will have their historical tour. At the end of the day we will all travel back to the hotel.

An optional diner will be organised for those who can stay a bit longer, to enjoy the other attractions of Amsterdam and its surroundings.

Energetica Museum

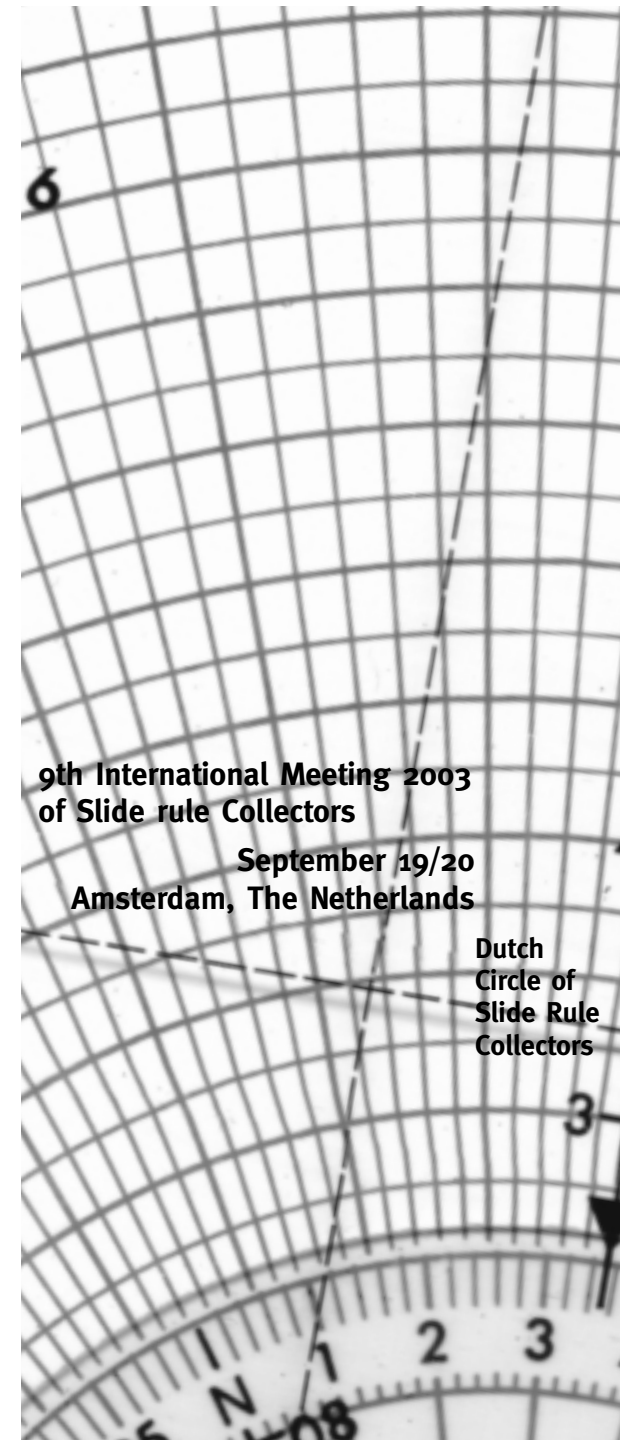
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The final program will be published early 2003, together with registration forms.



IM 2003: Slide Rules, and how they are produced

The International Meetings about slide rules are famous among collectors. Many, from all over the world, have participated in the IM's in recent years. This is due to the fact that each IM had a large variety in subjects, such as historical aspects, manufacturing companies, technical and theoretical background information, special purpose slide rules, and the persons behind the slide rules. But also the high quality of the presentations and the friendly atmosphere of the IM's contributed to its success.

This will be the third time an IM is organised in the Netherlands. After the successful first-ever IM about slide rules in 1995 there was the IM 2000, where Dutch slide rule designers and manufacturers were present. In the years between, other countries organised the IM's. We have prepared a provisional program for the IM2003 which offers you more than usual.

Friday 19 september 2003

Afternoon

- Swap
- Presentations about:
 - Gunter rules in Navigation
 - Concrete Slide Rules
 - Dutch History of the Slide Rule era

Diner for attendees and partners with a special slide rule as a surprise, which will be presented with an explanation.

Saturday 20 September 2003

Morning

- Presentations about:
 - Slide Rules for metal workshops
 - Abacuses
 - Darmstad Slide Rule
 - Calculating Machines
 - Activities in other Countries

Afternoon

The afternoon will be focussed on the Danish firms, which designed and manufactured slide rules. We all know the names of Diwa, Linex, Cretex and UTO, but probably only some of you are familiar with their history and products. We have found the very people, who were involved in UTO (and they still are), willing to share their vast working experience with us.

- Presentations will be given about:
 - The history of Danish slide rule firms
 - The design and printing of scales
 - Manufacturing process of slide rules

The presentations will include visualisations of the production processes.

A large exposition will be organised on many aspects of the UTO firm. It will include (half-)finished slide rules and individual parts, manufacturing tools and instruments, scale films, process blocks and many more items from UTO.



IM 2000 Exposition of a major Dutch Collection

Partner Program

An Architectural History Tour

The Organising Committee is pleased to announce that during the IM a specialist on restauration from the Delft University of Technology will guide a -specially for the IM prepared- walking tour to view historical buildings and canals in Amsterdam, and will give architectural explanation on the buildings visited, of which several are not open to the public.

It is the intention to visit e.g. buildings related to the old maritime industry, which served as offices for the shipping agencies and which have very special staircases, the house where Rembrandt lived, a church hidden in a warehouse and some other special buildings.

During the walking tour along the canals, explanations will be given about the development of the city of Amsterdam.

It is the opinion of the Organising Committee, that the partner program is as interesting as the IM itself. This makes it even more attractive for partners to join the slide rule collectors. Both will have very interesting days.

This program is in preparation.