Safe Heritage in the Netherlands

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Safe Heritage

1. Who we are

2. What we do

3. Focus on three projects
   - Large scale disasters
   - Fire in cultural heritage
   - Incident database
Listed monuments

60,000 Listed buildings

440 Conservation areas

9 World heritage sites
Archaeology

1,500 Archaeological sites listed as monuments
Museums & Collections
Who we are: Safe Heritage

- 2008 Safety & Security Centre founded by Ministry of Culture: a solid basis
- 2010 Part of Cultural Heritage Agency in Amersfoort
- 2011 New name: Safe Heritage
- Two specialists, connected with other specialisms
- Both movable and immovable heritage
Our Role

- Expertise on safety & security for cultural heritage:
  Knowledge & information

- Develop, collect & connect
- Secure it & pass it on
- Keep it up to date

- Stress the importance of safety & security, prevention & awareness
What we do

Awareness, knowledge & information
• Website
• Presentations & Publications
• Conferences
• Advice
• LinkedIn groups Safe Heritage

Some projects
• Special themes: Water and Theft
• Project with Safety Region Utrecht
• Network Fire Brigade & Cultural Heritage
• Incident Database
Large scale disasters

Water in The Netherlands

Below sealevel
Lowest point **-6,76 m**
Highest point **+322,2 m**

Flooding: sea, rivers, rain
Safety Regions in the Netherlands

Disaster and crisis management is a local responsibility

Regional collaboration of emergency services: fire and medical services, police, local authorities

Nr. 9 Province of Utrecht: Cultural heritage in the regional risk profile – a model for large scale disasters
Large scale disasters and collections

Not: a list of the 25 most important museums but scenario-based

Prevention: integrated risk management, priority lists, evacuation of the collection, possibly an early warning

Awareness for both Fire brigade and museum

A chapter on cultural heritage in the guidelines for the risk profiles of the safety regions
Database of Incidents in Cultural Heritage

Sharing experiences

- Type of incidents
- Cause and consequence
- Frequency
- Damage (money & time)
- Successful preventative measures
- Lack of measures

Scope is to get a grip on incidents, generate knowledge and improve safety & security
Incident: Collecties aanmaken

Registratie van een incident met betrekking tot: Collectiebeherende instellingen (aanpassen)


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- Politie
- www.gestolenkunst.nl
- Art Loss Register
- Anders, namelijk:

Volgende
Causes of Fire

2010: 36 fires
2011: 46 fires
2012: 30 fires up till now

• Short circuit
• Chimney fire
• Melted transformer
• Kitchen fire
• Arson
• Cannabis cultivation
• Roofing with open fire
• Firework
• Fire next-door
• Lightning
Fire brigade and cultural heritage

- Collaboration with Fire brigade
- Meetings:
  2011 Fire in Collections
  2012 Fire in Monuments
  2013 Fire and Insurance
- A challenge to understand each other – important to work together
Scope (Dream)

- Less incidents and disasters
  - Cultural heritage is safe
  - Preservation of our heritage

Safety & Security is a matter of course